

Huffines Middle School Dress Code

The student and parent determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided the student's dress and grooming do not:

- Lead school officials to believe that such dress or grooming will disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from school activities.
- Create a health or other hazard to the student's safety or to the safety of others.

The principal, in conjunction with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity.

For clarification purposes, the following guidelines are provided:

The District Dress Code guidelines are designed to enhance a positive environment at school. Outstanding performance is always related to high expectations and the Lewisville Independent School District has the highest expectations for its staff and students.

The District's dress code is established to:

- ◆ Promote a positive school atmosphere conducive to learning
- ◆ Encourage students to exemplify proper grooming in order to exhibit an appropriate image for the student, school and district
- ◆ Enhance a safe, orderly educational environment
- ◆ Promote community values

The following statements are presented for students and parents/guardians who feel a need for a point of reference in regard to student dress:

1. All students must be clean and neatly groomed.
2. Students' hair, by the nature of the style or color, shall not tend to create a distraction. Students' hair must be a natural color or shade. Unkempt, unnatural color or distracting styles will not be allowed. Students' hair must be kept out of their eyes. Designs or "cuts" in the hair or eyebrows is not permitted.
3. Students' contact lenses must be a natural color or shade. Distracting styles or color will not be allowed.
4. Students may not wear facial jewelry, facial tattoos, or facial decoration (other than normal makeup for girls). No tongue rings, no eyebrow rings, no nose piercing, including spacers of any kind or mouth jewelry including but not limited to "grills". No visible body piercing or facial piercing. "Gauging" and large holes in the ear and or ear lobe will not be allowed along with large earrings.
5. Male students may wear either one small stud earring or one small loop earring in one or both ears. Female students may wear appropriate earrings. Pins, spikes, etc... are not allowed. Excessive earring decorations that could be a distraction will not be allowed.
6. Clothing, which in the opinion of the professional staff that would be deemed inappropriate, disruptive, or offensive for school in general shall not be allowed, i.e., including but not limited to, bike shorts, athletic shorts that are made of unlined thin material, cut-off shorts, boxer shorts, running shorts, see-through clothing, sleep wear as outerwear, halters, midriffs, fishnet tops, tank tops, pants not worn at the natural waist line, or clothing that is excessively ripped, or torn. Small holes in jeans are allowed below the knee cap only. Excessively tight fitting clothing may be deemed inappropriate for school. Blankets, quilts, or wrap-around type coverings are not appropriate for school and should not be worn.
7. Male students may wear hemmed, long pants or hemmed shorts of appropriate length (at or about mid-thigh length or longer.) No cut-offs are allowed. Pants or shorts with cut-off or frayed, ragged ends are unacceptable. Pants may not drag the ground excessively. Pants must be worn at the natural waste line (no "sagging").

8. Female students may wear hemmed, long pants. Skirts or hemmed shorts may be worn if of the appropriate length (at or about mid-thigh or longer). *A rule of thumb is mid thigh or bottom of the fingertip when the arm is hanging by the side. If a garment has split sides, the top of the split must be no higher than fingertip length. Pants or shorts with cut-off or frayed, ragged ends are unacceptable. Pants may not drag the ground excessively.
9. Clothing that is considered or determined to be gang attire or clothing intended to incite others will not be allowed.
10. Female students must wear garments that have a seam and sleeve and are at least 1 1/2 inches wide on the shoulder.
11. Female students may not wear clothing or tops that reveal visible cleavage or skin around the waist or midriff area.
12. Male students may not wear sleeveless shirts or vests without a shirt with sleeves underneath nor oversized shirts that cover the pockets of their pants.
13. All students shall wear appropriate undergarments. Undergarments should not be seen.
14. Students may not wear clothing, jewelry or other items that advertises by name or symbol any products that are not permitted in school, including but not limited to: drugs, alcohol, tobacco, profanity, and obscenities, suggestive slogans that promote/represent any of the previously listed, including Satanism, devil worship, gambling or violence. Any shirts that display either by word or graphic representation such elements as, but not limited to, the macabre, gothic symbolism, weaponry, or depictions of the human anatomy in any form are inappropriate.
15. No hats, caps, sweatbands, bandannas, headdress or hair grooming items shall be worn in the school building by either male or female students. (Including sunglasses)
16. For health reasons, all students are required to wear shoes. House shoes/slippers and shower shoes are unacceptable.
17. Uniforms are an appropriate form of dress for extra-curricular activities.
18. The principal in connection with the sponsor, coach or other person in charge of an extra-curricular activity may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity.

19. The administration reserves the right to determine any inappropriate attire, hair or eye contact color or hairstyle that it feels is disruptive or inappropriate to the school environment.

~ Students that are in violation of the DRESS CODE will first be asked to come into compliance, and then sent to class.

~ If they can not come into compliance, a phone call home to see if the parent or guardian can bring clothing to the school so the student can get back into class.

~ If parents or guardians can not bring clothing to the school, the student will be placed in PASS until the items arrive.

If the student refuses to comply with our dress code protocol, the principal shall notify the student's parent/legal guardian and request that person make the necessary correction. If both the student and parent/legal guardian refuse, the principal shall take disciplinary action.