

Dress & Grooming Standards

School dress standards are known to improve academics and behavior while increasing student confidence and satisfaction. Such dress expectations also help to prevent gang affiliation and violence. Providing a safe learning environment is our number one priority. We want each student to feel safe and be able to concentrate on his or her studies, homework, and lessons more than anything else. Students are expected to comply with the following dress and grooming standards. Students in violation of these rules will be required to correct the problem before being allowed to return to class.

DRESS-UP DAYS

Tuesday is DRESS FOR SUCCESS day at Dixon. On this day, students and teachers are encouraged to DRESS UP! Boys will often wear shirts and ties; girls frequently wear dresses or skirts. A small reward is often offered to students who participate. From time to time we will have fun “dress up days,” i.e.: Hat Day, Hawaiian day, etc. On those days everyone is invited to dress up in the mode of the day. Students are expected to participate appropriately on these fun “dress up days”.



Shirts

Students are permitted to wear both collared and non-collared shirts to school. All shirts must cover the shoulder and avoid low necklines. Clothing cannot gap or sag in such a way that undergarments are visible. Inappropriate clothing includes sheer shirts, tank tops, open-cut shirts (i.e.; sports jerseys or muscle shirts), bare midriffs, low necklines, etc. Tops should be long enough that skin does not show at the waist when arms are lifted.

Pants

Pants must be an appropriate length and not drag the floor. Pants will be worn at the waist and properly fit the waistline. Wearing of oversized or baggy pants and/or jeans is prohibited at school. Shorts and Skirts may be worn, but must be long enough to cover mid-thigh when sitting. Leggings and tights may be worn with a dress or skirt. All shorts and skirts must be tailored/hemmed with no frayed edges.

Shoes

Shoes must be worn at all times. Shoes should be non-marking and in good repair. Students are discouraged from wearing flip-flops for safety purposes. No “wheeler” type shoes are permitted.

Sunglasses

Sunglasses are not permitted in the school unless prescribed by a doctor.

Jewelry

All body piercings must be small and discreet. Anything that is extreme, distracting to student wearing jewelry, other students, teacher, or may present a safety risk is not acceptable. This includes chains and spikes on bracelets, necklaces, etc.

Hair Styles

Hair shall be neat, clean and well groomed. Hair that is colored an unnatural color or styled in a manner, which is extreme and distracting, is unacceptable. Students in violation of this rule will be required to correct the problem before being allowed to return to class.

Hats and other Headwear

Hats will not be worn in the building at any time unless it is a school-sponsored “Hat Day” or unless there is an extenuating circumstance (i.e.; medical). This policy applies to boys, girls, faculty, and staff. Hats that “go with the outfit” are not exceptions. Bandannas or headbands may not be displayed or worn at school under any circumstances.

Gang Related Apparel

Parents of students whose clothing and items are considered to be gang related will be contacted. Some examples include but are not limited to: cut out belt buckles, hanging belts, bandanas, hair nets, certain professional team apparel, and lettering written in the Old English style. School officials will collaborate with the School Resource Officer to enforce rules related to gang related apparel. Students and parents may contact the School Officer for more detailed information.

Extreme or Inappropriate Clothing

Clothing with vulgar words, profane or obscene slogans, depictions of violence or guns, advertisements for alcohol, tobacco, drugs or other inappropriate items are not allowed. Students should come to school appropriately dressed in clothing that is clean, non-distracting, and in good repair. Clothing and apparel that is so conspicuous, extreme, or odd that it may draw undue attention, disrupt, or tend to interfere with the learning atmosphere is unacceptable. Clothing intended as undergarments, worn as outerwear, will not be permitted.

Dress Code Violations

Students found in violation of dress and grooming standards will comply with the following:

1st Violation- Call home. Warning. Borrow clothing for the day.

2nd Violation- Call home. Warning. Borrow clothing for the day.

3rd Violation- Call home. Parent or guardian will supply proper clothing for their child.

4th Violation (+)- Call home. Student may be suspended until proper clothing is obtained from a parent or guardian.

Students will remain out of class until they are in compliance with the dress code. School administrators reserve the right to address and enforce dress code issues, as they deem appropriate.

*Students who borrow shirts and fail to return them at the end of the day will be assessed a \$5.00 fine to their student account. *Students who borrow pants and fail to return them at the end of the day will be assessed a \$10.00 fine to their student account.

