

Dress Code, grades K-12
Jefferson County School District #251

The District believes that there is a close relationship between student dress and behavior. The dress code below encourages students to “dress for success” and come to school properly prepared to participate in the educational process. Students are expected to dress in such a manner as to not detract or disrupt the educational environment. Disruption is defined as reactions by other individuals to the clothing or adornment, which causes the teacher/administrator to lose the attention of the students, to modify or cease instructional activities, or to deal with student confrontations or complaints. Clothing, accessories, or tattoos that depict drugs, alcohol, gangs, violence, discrimination, promote hate, or pornography, is not permitted. Excessively tight fitting or excessively loose fitting clothing is also not permitted. Administrators may make exceptions for special occasions.

Head Coverings/Sunglasses

Scarves, curlers, bandanas, sweatbands, or other similar head coverings or adornments shall not be worn to class or within school buildings.

Caps, hats or other similar head coverings shall not be worn to class or within school buildings unless prescribed by a physician, previously approved by the school's administration for religious reasons, or approved by the school's administration for a special school activity.

Sunglasses (unless prescribed by a physician) shall not be worn to class or within school buildings.

Upper Garments

The cut of garments must not expose undergarments or be otherwise immodest. Strapless garments are prohibited. Garments must have a sleeve and a hem and be of sufficient length to cover the end of the shoulder and the beginning of the arm.

Mesh/fishnet, sheer, bare midriffs, low cut necklines, off the shoulder, or bare backs are prohibited. Garments must be of appropriate length, cut and/or fit to meet these requirements while sitting and/or bending.

Lower Garments

Undergarments shall not be visible. Pants and shorts shall be worn at the waist.

The wearing of tights, leggings, spandex, or bike shorts worn as stand-alone outer wear is not permitted.

Bathing/swimming wear, sleep wear (including pajamas), etc., worn as outer wear is not permitted.

Shorts and skirts must be of modest length defined as a maximum of 3" above the knee. Holes in clothing, whether intentional or not, may not be higher than 3" above the knee.

Footwear

Students shall wear appropriate footwear for protection and hygienic reasons while on school grounds, participating in school activities, or on school transportation. House slippers and shoes with wheels are unacceptable.

Accessories

Visible pierced jewelry shall be limited to the ear.

Dog collars or studded, spiked accessories, including nose piercings, tongue rings and studs, wallet chains, large hair picks, chains that connect one part of the body to another or other jewelry/accessories that detract from the educational environment or pose a safety concern for the student or others are prohibited.