Jourdanton ISD Student Dress Code Amended on March 2, 2022

Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

The district's dress code teaches grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, minimizes safety hazards, and maintains a positive learning climate.

Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- 1. In grades 2-12, shorts, skirts, split skirts, and dresses must be no more than 4" above the top of the kneecap.
- 2. District issued student ID's must be worn on a neck lanyard and visible before or during school hours.
- 3. Garments worn on or below the waist shall not have holes or frays. Patches on jeans must cover the hole and any frays. No cut offs, no oversized or baggy pants, and no exercise/bicycle shorts, wind shorts, etc. will be permitted.
- 4. Tights, yoga pants, leggings/ jeggings and similar garments may only be worn with a top that meets the 4" above the knee requirement.
- 5. Appropriate footwear must be worn. Footwear, which has toes reinforced with steel, hard plastics, or similar material is specifically prohibited. In all PE classes, appropriate athletic shoes will be worn.
- 6. In all grade levels, hair should be neat, clean and not touch the eyebrows in front or interfere with vision. Hair must NOT have unnatural colors or extremes in hair styles (such as Mohawks & wigs), insignias shaved into the scalp or eyebrows.
- 7. In all grade levels, sideburns will be limited in length to the middle of the ear. Students are not allowed to have facial hair.
- 8. Headwear, including but not limited to hats, caps, hairnets, hoods, distracting headbands, earbuds and earphones may not be worn inside school buildings during the school day except when participating in a school event or practice which requires headwear or when expressly allowed for an activity or event. Restrictions regarding gang-related dress will apply. Unless otherwise allowed by a staff member, caps worn on school property should be worn with the bill to the front.
- 9. See-through garments are not appropriate and undergarments should not be visible.
- 10. In grades 2-12, top garments (shirts, blouses, and dress tops) must have sleeves. No sleeveless garments or garments with straps are allowed. Sleeveless garments, tank tops, muscle shirts, halter-tops, string-tied garments, spaghetti straps garments and garments that expose cleavage, backs, midriffs or undergarments are not permitted. Coats, jackets, and sweatshirts with hoods are considered as outdoor wear and may be worn over clothing as appropriate for the environment.
- 11. All clothing including top garments must be in dress code. Long or oversized coats, jackets, sweatshirts, sweatshirts with hoods, other hooded outdoor wear, and sweaters are not permitted. For safety, students may be required to remove coats, jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, and sweatshirts with hoods. All top garments must be tucked in and stay tucked in when arms are raised; however, shirts that are designed to be worn out may be worn as a top garment provided no skin is exposed with regular movement. This does not include t-shirts, polo shirts and shirts with tails, which must be tucked in. Jourdanton ISD spirit shirts may be untucked.
- 12. No body-piercing ornaments will be allowed, with the exception of up to two earrings per ear, on school property or at school sponsored events. No body piercing ornaments can be covered with a bandage or any other device. Any device through the hole is considered a body-piercing ornament, including gauges.

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- 13. Spiked jewelry, spiked belts, and spiked articles of clothing are not permitted.
- 14. Chains are not allowed.
- 15. EXCESSIVELY OVERSIZED/SAGGY/BAGGY GARMENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED. LARGE-WAISTED, LOW-CROTCHED, EXTRA-LONG OR EXTRA-WIDE-LEGGED PANTS, OR LOW-POCKETED PANTS/SHORTS ARE NOT PERMITTED.
- 16. Underwear/sleepwear, including plain white tee shirts and pajama style garments will not be worn as outer garments.
- 17. In grades 2 12, belts must be worn through the belt loops on pants that have belt loops. Pants must fit so that they ride on the hips or waist and stay in that position when the arms are not touching the pants.
- 18. No permanent or semi-permanent tattoos will be exposed at any time during the school day. On Fridays, Jourdanton ISD semi-permanent school spirit tattoos will be allowed.
- 19. P.E.:
 - a. Elementary: Shorts will be worn under dresses in grades K-5. (Brief trunks will not be accepted).
 - b. Secondary: Students shall dress as required by the P.E. instructor.

Because fads in dress and grooming are subject to sudden and sometimes radical change, a basic rule to remember is that student dress and grooming should not be suggestive, indecent, bizarre, or so unusual as to detract from the classroom environment.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school and return to the classroom. If the problem cannot be corrected at school, the principal will work with the student and parent to obtain an acceptable change of clothing for the student in a way that minimizes loss of instructional time.

Repeated or severe offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

The principal/designee, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity including prom, all banquets, end of year ceremonies, etc. will regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity.

Students who violate these standards will be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal/designee. Students may be subject to other disciplinary action.

Students in attendance as spectators at extra-curricular activities are expected to dress in good taste. Final determination of acceptable dress rests with the principal/designee.

The District prohibits any clothing or grooming that, in the principal's/designee's judgment, may be expected to cause disruption of, or interference with, normal school operations.

The District prohibits clothing with pictures, emblems, or writings that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, violent, or obscene and those that advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, weapons, drugs, or any illegal substances.