

# 2023-2024 Section III - Dress Code

### Dress and Grooming [See Policy FNCA (LOCAL)]

The school reserves the right to establish rules during the school year regarding new fashions in dress.

Administrators have the discretion to determine the appropriateness of attire and grooming, and make special exceptions, including those for religious or medical necessities. If a principal determines that a student's grooming is inappropriate or violates the dress code, the discipline action will be in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. A second offense may result in more serious disciplinary action. Appropriate discipline procedures will be followed in all cases. Students will come to school looking clean and neat and wearing clothing and exhibiting grooming that will not be a health or safety hazard to the student or others.

#### FINAL DETERMINATION OF A DRESS CODE VIOLATION RESTS WITH THE PRINCIPAL/DESIGNEE.

## Dress and Grooming [See Policy FNCA (LEGAL)]

Lancaster ISD's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. All students are expected to exemplify proper dress and grooming standards in a manner that portrays an appropriate image for the student and the school. Dress code standards will be distributed and

discussed in each school. Contact the school principal for dress code standards. Returning students and students new to the District in Pre-K  $-12^{th}$  grades are expected to be uniform compliant by the  $2^{nd}$  day they are in school. The school district reserves the right to establish rules during the year regarding new fashions in dress including the banning of certain articles of clothing adopted by gang-related youth as icons of identification.

The following are in effect during school and at all school related functions, on or off campus:

#### All Grades:

- 1. All gang related grooming is prohibited.
- 2. The District prohibits pictures, emblems or writings on clothing that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under policy FNCF. The District also prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may cause disruption of, or interfere with, normal school operations.
- 3. Hairstyles
  - Hairstyles, in general, are expected to be clean, neat, and in good taste.
  - Designs in hair are acceptable if the design is not distracting and/or is free from words, symbols or pictures which are generally interpreted as obscene or objectionable in nature or depict violence or nudity, or which display logos of alcohol, tobacco or illegal substances.
  - All facial hair is to be clean and neatly trimmed.
  - Beads in hair are allowed, but they must not cause disruption.
- 4. Facial/body adornments are *unacceptable for anyone*.
- 5. No visible body art is allowed that is inappropriate or offensive (refer to item #2 above).

#### **Female Students:**

- 6. Blouses must ensure that no cleavage is showing.
- 7. Pants are to be worn no lower than the hipbone (with belt).

#### **Male Students:**

- 8. Pants are to be worn no lower than the hipbone (with belt).
- 9. Shirts open below the second button are unacceptable.

#### PRE-K – 12th GRADE

The following clothing is not considered "appropriate attire" pursuant to this dress code policy: hoodies or outwear with hoods (e.g. sweatshirts, jackets, sweaters, coats, windbreakers, parkas, raincoats, fleeces, or vest), revealing/provocative shirts and tops, t-shirts, spandex, or similar tight outfits. Slippers, flip-flops, house-shoes, open- back sneakers, and other similar foot apparel are not considered appropriate attire. Pre-K through 12th grade students are required to comply with the dress code policy.

The following is a description of the approved clothing for students in Pre-K through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade: (DAEP students will follow the DAEP dress code)

# Shirts, Blouses, Turtlenecks, Undershirts

\*Undershirts are to be worn under the approved shirts listed in the next column and must be in colors that coincide with the appropriate grade level. Students in the Middle School may also wear black undershirts.

**PK-6th:** Colors: White, Red, Blue, solid colors collared knit polo shirts and turtlenecks (long or short sleeved). White only dress shirts and blouses (long or short sleeved). All shirts, blouses and turtlenecks for PreK-5th must be tucked in at all times.

**7-8th: Colors:** White, Yellow, Gray solid colored collared knit polo shirts and turtlenecks (long or short sleeved). White only dress shirts and blouses (long or short sleeved). All shirts, blouses and turtlenecks for 6th-8th must be tucked in at all times. Undershirts need to be the same color as the uniform colors.

**9-12th:** Colors: White, Orange, Black solid colored collared knit polo shirts and turtlenecks (long or short sleeved). Dress shirts and blouses (long or short sleeved). All shirts, blouses and turtlenecks for 9th-12th must be tucked in at all times. Undershirts need to be the same color as the uniform colors.

| Slacks/Capris  **GIRLS' slacks without belt loops can be worn without a belt.  **MALES must wear belts at all times. If a student is seen with sagging pants, zip ties will be used for boys/girls   | PK-6th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue, or Black. Jeans Blue or Black without holes, rips, or tears. Slacks, Capris, Jeans will be worn at the waist and properly hemmed or cuffed. No sweatpants, jogging pants, wind suits, warm-ups, spandex, overalls, or coveralls. Slacks may have pockets, but they must be sized in proportion to the pant legs. Belts are required.** 7-12th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue, Black, or Orange for 9-12th only. Slacks and Capris will be worn at the waist and properly hemmed or cuffed. No sweatpants, jogging pants, wind suits, warm-ups, spandex, overalls or coveralls. Slacks may have pockets, but they must be sized in proportion to the pant legs. Belts are required-Black, brown, navy blue, khaki, or white leather, leather-like or canvas with buckle.** Belt buckles no larger than a credit card. |
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| Shorts, Skorts-PK-6 <sup>th</sup> (relaxed fit, not tight fitting) Shorts – 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> (relaxed fit, not tight fitting) **GIRLS' shorts without belt loops can be worn without a belt. **MALES must wear belts at all times.  Skirts, Jumpers | PK-6th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue or Black. Jeans Blue or Black Shorts/Skorts, without holes, rips, or tears and length will be no more than three inches above the knee. Belts are required**.  7th, 8th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue, Black. Jeans Blue or Black Shorts length will be no more than two inches above the knee. Belts are required**.  9th-12th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue, Black, Orange. Jeans Blue or Black Shorts length will be no more than two inches above the knee. Belts are required**. Belt buckles no larger than a credit card.  PK-6th: Colors: Khaki, Navy Blue. Length will be no more than two inches above the knee.  7th-12th: Khaki, Orange, White, Black. Length will be no more than two inches above  |
| Sweatshirts, Vests, Sweaters<br>(No Hoodies)   | the knee.  PK-6 <sup>th</sup> : Colors: White, Red, Blue (any shade) 7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> : Colors: White, Gray, Yellow (any shade) 9-12 <sup>th</sup> : Colors: White, Orange, Black, Grey All sweatshirts, sweaters and sweater vests must be worn over a standard dress-approved shirt, must be a solid color or school approved, and must be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves, and length.   |
| Jackets, Windbreakers,<br>Coats (No Hoodies)   | Any solid color (except red or blue), made of any type fabric will be acceptable, and may be worn as an outer garment as weather dictates. The only logos allowed will be Lancaster ISD school affiliated (athletic/academic letters, FFA, band, etc.) or anything approved by the principal.  Jackets, windbreakers and coats to be worn coming and going to and from school only.  ALL must be removed inside the building.   |
| Shoes  | Appropriate for school ( <u>no stiletto heels</u> , house slippers/bedroom slippers, flip-flops).   |
| Hats, Caps, Shower Caps,<br>Bandanas, Gloves, Headbands  | These items are not to be worn inside any building.  Bandanas of any kind are strictly prohibited.  Headbands of any kind are not allowed for male students.  Female students may wear headbands but not the colors red or blue.  |
| Identification Badges  | All LISD students will be required to wear the school's ID badges at all times. It must be worn on the upper quadrant of the torso inside of the shoulders. It must be worn and visible at all times during the school day. Lost badges may be replaced at a fee of \$5. If damaged or defaced, students will be required to purchase a new ID. Students must wear ID badges at all times while at school or attending school-related or school-sponsored activities, including extra-curricular events. Students are not to alter badges in any way.   |
| Grooming   | Styling should be neat and not distract focus on teaching and learning.   |
| Jewelry  | Jewelry referring to alcohol and other drugs, tobacco, profanity, sex, violence, gang membership, or displaying obscene pictures shall not be permitted. Except for the ears, jewelry on other parts of the face, including the interior of the mouth is <i>not permitted</i> (i.e. grill or tongue ring).  |

Please note that the dress code for the District Alternative Education Program is modified from the regular dress code. The District Alternative Education Program dress code must be followed if your student is transferred to that campus.

# DISTRICT ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM:

| Shirts, Blouses, Turtlenecks                             | White collared knit polo shirts and turtlenecks, either long or short sleeved; white-only dress shirts and blouses, either long or short sleeved, all shirts, blouses and turtlenecks shall be tucked in at all times. Emblems and logos may not exceed two by two inches.  |
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| Slacks/Jeans   | Colors: Khaki. Slacks will be worn at the waist and properly hemmed or cuffed. No capris, shorts, sweatpants, jogging pants, wind suits, warm-ups, or coveralls. Slacks/Jeans Blue or Black may have pockets, but they must be sized in proportion to the pant legs. Belts (brown or black) are required.   |
| Skirts, Jumpers, Dresses                                 | Colors: Khaki. Length will be no more than two inches above the knee.   |
| Sweatshirts, Vests, Sweaters (No Hoodies)                | Colors: Grade appropriate. Worn under the standard shirts. The sweatshirts, vests, and sweaters will be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves, and length.  |
| Jackets, Windbreakers<br>(No Hoodies)                    | Any solid color; (except red or blue), made of any type fabric will be acceptable, and may be worn as an outer garment as weather dictates. Only Lancaster ISD school affiliated jackets and sweaters (athletic/academic letters, FFA, band, etc.) are acceptable. (Jackets are not to be worn in the classroom)  |
| Shoes  | Appropriate for school (no house slippers/bedroom slippers, thongs or flip-flops.   |
| Hats, Caps, Shower Caps,<br>Bandanas, Gloves, Headbands, | These items are not to be worn inside any building.   |
| Grooming   | Styling should be neat and not distract focus on teaching and learning.   |
| Jewelry  | Males and Females: <b>No</b> Jewelry and <b>No</b> other body piercing shall be allowed. Students entering the building with unregulated jewelry shall have it confiscated, only to be returned to a parent or guardian. Jewelry referring to alcohol and other drugs, tobacco, profanity, sex, violence, gang membership, or displaying obscene pictures shall not be permitted. Jewelry on any parts of the face, including the interior of the mouth is not permitted (i.e. grill or tongue ring). |
| Identification Badges                                    | All students will be required to wear the school's I.D. badges at all times at the J.D. Hall Learning Center (DAEP – District Alternative Education Program).   |