

## **STUDENT DRESS CODE**

In order to maintain an appropriate climate for learning, the following dress code has been established for Lanier County Schools. On a case-by-case basis, administrators or designee may ban items that disrupt the learning environment. Teachers may refer any student whose appearance causes distractions to the learning environment to an administrator for corrective or disciplinary action.

### **Pre-Kindergarten - 12th Grade**

- Clothing, hairstyle and color, jewelry, tattoos, including temporary tattoos, body carvings, face paintings, or hand-carried items may not distract from the normal learning environment of any Lanier County School.
- Clothing articles, jewelry, bags, and other items brought onto school property must be clean and not create a safety or health hazard.
- Jewelry, clothing, or any article that can be used as a weapon may not be brought onto Lanier County School property.
- Jewelry piercing the nose, lips, tongue, and other facial areas will not be worn.
- All students must maintain appropriate hygiene standards (i.e., free of excessive body dirt, grease, oils, odor, etc.).
- Clothing articles designed to cover the body may not be constructed of see-through materials such as mesh, net, sheer, clear plastic, or 'cut-out materials unless worn over an acceptable garment.
- Belts, buttons, zippers, suspenders, snaps or other similar items will be fastened appropriately. Holes or rips in clothing above the knee must not expose the body. Discretion will be used by administration or designee when holes are formed by accident.
- Clothing, shoes and jewelry worn during P.E. or other extra-curricular activities must be appropriate and will be at the discretion of the teacher.
- Hair curlers, picks, and combs will not be worn in the hair.
- Head coverings (e.g. hats, caps, scarves, sweatbands, or hoods affixed to other articles of clothing), gloves, and sunglasses will not be worn on campus during the school day.
- All items worn or carried will not include any written or pictorial messages that promote the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, or any other illegal product/activity and must not contain any derogatory racial, religious, sexual, ethnic implications or any obscene language.

- It is suggested that the student's name be affixed to removable clothing articles (i.e., coats, gloves, etc.)

### **Pants, Skirts, Dresses, Jumpers, and Shorts**

- These items must not be overly tight, extremely loose, or extend past the sole of the shoe.
- Pants, shorts, and skirts must be worn at the natural waist. These items must be an appropriate size at the waist. The outer garment must cover the buttocks entirely.
- Shorts and skirts must be a modest length, with the guideline being no shorter than 3 inches above the knee cap when the student is standing straight up. Any open pleats, vents, or slits must also be no more than three inches above the knee.
- Clothing with rips or holes above the knee must not expose the body.
- Strapless garments are not allowed.
- Tights and similar items may only be worn under pants, skirts, shorts, dresses, and jumpers that meet the dress code requirement.
- Discretionary intervention by school administration may be used in determining the appropriateness of attire.

### **Leggings**

- Loose-fitting shirts that cover the entire buttocks may be worn with leggings.
- In addition to loose-fitting shirts that cover the entire buttocks, leggings may also be worn under pants, skirts, shorts, dresses, and jumpers that meet the dress code requirement of Lanier County Schools.
- Discretionary intervention by school administration may be used in determining the appropriateness of attire.

### **Shirts, Sweaters, and Vests**

- These items must be of the appropriate length not to expose the midriff area and back area during the course of normal daily activities (walking, standing, sitting and raising arms).
- Tank tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, halter-tops, and similar tops are not allowed.
- These items must not excessively expose breast/chest areas or undergarments.
- The necklines should be appropriately modest, no lower than two inches below the top of the sternum (breastbone), with no part of the breast/chest area visible.
- Discretionary intervention by school administration may be used in determining the appropriateness of attire.

### **Shoes**

- Must be worn at all times.
- Must be in good repair.

- Cleats, taps, spurs, or other unnecessary objects will not be affixed to shoes.
- All shoes with laces must be laced and tied or tucked.
- All buckles or Velcro must be fastened.
- No footwear with wheels affixed to the sole of the shoe. Ex: Heelies
- Discretionary intervention by school administration may be used in determining the appropriateness of attire.

**Not Permitted (All Grades)**

- Bandanas
- Spandex
- Cut-offs
- An undershirt, worn as an outer shirt
- Discretionary intervention by school administration may be used in determining the appropriateness of attire.

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