

## JICA-RA

### REGULATION

#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT DRESS

The District encourages students to take pride in their attire as it relates to the school setting. Students should dress in a manner that, in addition to the following guidelines, takes into consideration the educational environment, safety, health, and welfare of self and others. Students will be checked for compliance with the school dress code on a daily basis. Those who fail to comply will be subject to disciplinary consequences. At the principal's discretion, the parent/guardian may be required to bring a change of clothing that meets the requirements of the dress code.

- Students and their clothing are expected to be neat and clean.
- Torn apparel and clothes that are not hemmed are not acceptable.
- Only tailored shorts and skirts that are hemmed may be worn by elementary school students. Shorts, dresses, and skirts cannot be shorter than six (6) inches above the top of the kneecap.
- Pants, shorts, or skirts must be worn at or above the top of the hipbone. Pants, shorts, and skirts must be fitted so they stay at or above the top of the hipbone without a belt.
- The entire shoulders of a student must be covered with clothing at all times.
- Revealing see-through or fishnet clothing, low-cut necklines, enlarged armholes, or tight-fitting clothes are not to be worn.
- A student's undergarments must be covered with clothing at all times.
- Bare midriffs, halter tops, and spaghetti straps are not acceptable. A bare midriff will be defined as any exposed skin between the bottom of one's shirt and the top of one's pants when both arms are fully extended over the head of the student.
- Bare feet are never acceptable. In the interests of student safety, shoes must be worn at all times. Closed shoes are to be worn for any type of physical activity, such as physical education, et cetera. Slippers, beach, or shower shoes are not to be worn on campus.
- Jewelry shall not be worn if it presents a safety hazard to self and/or others. Body-piercing jewelry, other than earrings, is prohibited.
- Profane, offensive, or defamatory writing or pictures on clothing or jewelry is not acceptable. Chains more than one-quarter (1/4) inch wide are not to be worn on campus.
- No bandannas of any color, size, or shape may be carried or displayed on campus or at any school activity. This also includes simulations of anything representing "colors" or other gang-related apparel.
- No hats may be worn (by male or female students) at school, except for properly approved occupational safety headgear required for special classes. The only exception to the rule prohibiting bandannas and hats will be during a preapproved outdoor school

event.

- Students may wear hoods and beanies in cold weather; however, these may not be worn inside.
- Gang-related personalization is not permitted on hats, on items of clothing, or on one's person. This includes anything worn or carried on campus, including items with price tags attached.
- Obscene language or symbols, or symbols of drugs, sex, or alcohol on clothing are expressly prohibited.
- Students are not permitted to color their hair unless dyed to a natural hair color.

Exceptions for special activities or health considerations may be preapproved by the administrator. Students who volunteer for extracurricular activities, such as athletics, band, chorus, et cetera, are subject to the standards of dress as defined by the sponsors of such activities. In all cases, enforcement of these regulations is the responsibility of the staff and administration. Decisions made by staff members about appropriateness of student dress are subject to appeal to the school principal only in cases when the student's attire is appropriate under the approved dress code.

As noted above, a student's first offense is a warning to allow the student the opportunity to correct the violation before consequences are assigned. It is recognized that there may be instances when students wear clothing that is in violation of the dress code, and the inappropriate clothing is not noticed by staff. The fact that this may sometimes occur in no way will prevent the staff or administration from imposing disciplinary consequences when a student is found out of compliance with the dress code.