

Dress Code

It is the responsibility of the administration to see that student dress is not extreme to the point of creating a disruption in the educational atmosphere. In accordance with district guidelines, the Dress Code Committee has established the rules that follow. The following dress code has been established with *safety* and *modesty* as the objectives.

1. Shoes will be worn at all times. High heels or any shoes with soles or heels that exceed approximately two inches should not be worn. Also, **slippers are not acceptable**. Flip-flops, slaps, and slides, are allowable footwear, however, please keep in mind that DeLaura is two-story and students need to be cautious as they travel up and down the stairs. If a shoe/sandal breaks, students will need to put on their PE shoes or call home for a replacement pair, again, for safety reasons cannot walk barefoot.
2. Tee shirts, belt buckles, buttons, jewelry and patches are permissible but must not have bizarre, offensive, or suggestive slogans or pictures that are considered disruptive by the school administration. Slogans or pictures must not make reference to drugs, alcoholic beverages, profanity, sex, death, Satan, anarchy or weapons of any type.
3. **Any garment that disrupts the learning environment will be considered inappropriate.** Clothing should reflect a positive, learning attitude. Swimwear is prohibited. Pajamas and other lounging or nighttime clothing is not permitted.
4. **Upper garments must adequately cover the waistline and must not expose the midriff while the student is performing normal school-related activities** (studying, retrieving books, raising hands, etc.). Cut-off tee shirts above the waistline are not permitted. Tank tops with large armholes, muscle shirts, mesh shirts, see-through shirts, and open-sided apparel are not allowed. Shirts must lap over lower garments at the waist and not reveal midriff in normal school activities. If a student has unapproved clothing under a sweatshirt, then the sweatshirt needs to remain on, or the student needs to change into approved clothing.
5. Tube tops, halter-tops (spaghetti straps, or any other narrow straps), low-cut necklines (v-necklines, deep scoop necklines), bare midriffs (when arms are raised), and barebacked clothing are prohibited. See-through clothing CANNOT be worn by itself or over any of the previously prohibited tops. Shirts/blouses need to be at a length so that at all times, students are covered with no bare skin showing when a student is sitting or standing.
6. **Shorts and skirts must be mid-thigh length.** If a garment contains a split or slit, the split or slit cannot be higher than the than mid-thigh.
7. Proper undergarments are required. Undergarments or unacceptable clothing, shall not be visible underneath outer clothing.
8. Sunglasses must be put away during the school day, and not permitted to be worn on top of the head.
9. **Body Piercing is limited to earlobes ONLY.** Nose or other facial piercing, is prohibited by District Dress Code Guidelines.
10. Pants/jeans/shorts may not have holes in them. **No ripped, unraveled, or torn clothes.** Clothes should be hemmed to a length that does not drag the ground and allows for safety on stairs and in hallways. **This includes jeans/pants with holes in them.** Additionally, Safety Pins cannot be worn in any particle of clothing, for obvious safety reasons.
11. Pants, shorts, and skirts will be worn at waist level. Underwear must be covered at all times by trousers and shorts. Male students **MUST** wear a belt if it is needed to keep

their pants at waist level. Walking around campus holding up shorts, trousers, pants, etc., will not be allowed. Pajamas or any type of beachwear, is not permitted.

12. Leggings, yoga pants, bike shorts/pants and tights **may only be worn under dress code appropriate lower garments** (e.g.-under skirts/under dresses).
13. Jewelry worn should not be a safety hazard to that student or to others. (Examples: dog collars, leather bracelets, necklaces, or belts with metal brads or spikes, chains, wallet chains, sharp belt buckles, safety pins or other sharp objects.) Excessive bracelets covering the arms can be a distraction and should not be worn. Gloves are also not permitted.
14. Students are to adhere to the same dress code for all school-related activities.
15. Any item worn or carried that may be construed as gang paraphernalia is not permitted. This includes bandanas.
16. **NO HATS ARE TO BE WORN OR BROUGHT ON CAMPUS.** If so, they must be placed in a backpack or left at the Front Office for pick up at the end of the day. Carrying hats throughout the halls during the day is not acceptable.
17. **Disruptive hairstyles and hair colors are prohibited**, as is extremely spiked hair not allowed. Such styles including Mohawks or other haircuts deemed disruptive will not be allowed.