

Hoover City Schools Dress Code

The Hoover City Board of Education recognizes the effect of student dress upon safety and the learning environment. Parents have an important role in helping their children make appropriate choices regarding clothing, accessories, and personal appearance. In order to maintain a safe environment that is conducive to learning, attire considered disruptive or that seriously distracts from the learning environment or that could present a health or safety problem is not allowed. Failure to comply with the following rules will make the student subject to disciplinary action. With this in mind, the following rules concerning dress and grooming are mandatory for all students attending Hoover City Schools. Students who fail to follow these rules will be subject to disciplinary action.

1. Any clothing, appearance, or personal hygiene and grooming practices that draw an inordinate amount of attention to the individual student are considered inappropriate for school. The dress and/or grooming style of any student must not interfere with the educational process of any Hoover City School.
2. Clothing should not reveal the body in an inappropriate manner. Clothing which is too tight, too short, too revealing, exposes the bust line, sides, back, or midriff area is prohibited.
3. Prohibited items of clothing include, but are not limited to, off the shoulder tops, tank tops, spaghetti straps, halters, sheer or see-through clothing.
4. Legging/Jeggings/Tights are not considered pants and must be worn with a long dress or skirt (see length requirements on #8)
5. Undergarments should not be visible.
6. Excessively large clothing is not allowed.
7. Pants and skirts with holes above the knee are not allowed.
8. Shorts, dresses, and skirts must be hemmed and not shorter than mid-thigh when student is seated. Shorts that are torn, in disrepair, or spandex are not allowed
9. Students are not to wear jewelry, ornaments, or accessories which distract from the learning environment or may pose a safety risk/hazard (ex. excessively large, noisy jewelry and/or belts). No decorative dental appliances (whether permanent or temporary) or distracting contact lenses will be allowed.
10. T-shirts or any other type clothing or personal item bearing a reference to alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, drugs, drug-related slogans, and/or any other wording, drawing, pictures, etc., which in any way can be interpreted as being "off-color," suggestive, obscene, or offensive, or relating to, death, the occult, etc. are not permitted.
11. Clothing and/or accessories which are disruptive or distracting to the learning environment or which identify a student as being a member of a gang, unauthorized organization, or any subversive or unlawful organization will not be allowed.
12. During the school day, students are not to wear or carry caps, hats, bandannas, sunglasses, or other inappropriate headwear (ex. Hoodie pulled up over head, ski hat, etc.).
13. Hair design or style that can be associated with unauthorized organizations is not allowed.
14. Extreme facial makeup, face painting, masks, etc. that obscures the student's face or causes a disruption to the learning process is not acceptable.
15. Students are not to wear heavy metal chains, metal spiked apparel, or accessories, etc.

16. Students are required to wear shoes to school at all times. Boots with chains, steel toes, or other metal reinforcement or decorations are not allowed.
17. Clothing & accessories designed to conceal illicit objects are prohibited.

NOTES:

- The privileges offered under the school Dress Code may be withdrawn from any student who fails to meet the Code of Conduct in general.
- Students who violate the rules and/or intent of the Dress Code will be subject to consequences as well as having privileges allowed under the Dress Code withdrawn.
- If any aspect of the Dress Code becomes a consistent problem, appropriate adjustments will be made by the administration to address the situation.