

# LOMETA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Student Dress Code 2014-2015



### **The Lometa ISD Vision:**

“Promoting the success of *every child* every day and  
upholding the tradition of *Hornet Pride!*”

## **DRESS AND GROOMING**

The District's dress code is established to teach standardized grooming and hygiene, prevent school disruption, and minimize safety hazards.

The District prohibits clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations. ***The interpretative authority of appropriateness of dress or grooming shall be vested with the Lometa ISD administration.***

### Dress Code Violations

If the Lometa ISD administration determines that the student's grooming or dress violates the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem. In the event of clothing violation, a parent or designee may bring an acceptable change of clothing to the school or the school may provide clothing. If the student is unable or unwilling to correct the violation, the student shall be assigned disciplinary action including removal from class and/or activity.

### Extracurricular and Activity Dress Codes

The Lometa ISD administration, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period of time determined by the administration and/or the sponsor and may be subject to disciplinary action. All students enrolled in Lometa I.S.D. shall follow the following specific guidelines for dress and grooming.

### Student Education Regarding Dress Code

- The dress code will be published on the Lometa ISD web page at: <http://www.lometaisd.net>
- All Lometa School students will attend meetings regarding dress code issues in the first week of school.
- School counselors, sponsors, and principals will provide gender-specific dress code training for extracurricular and special events (such as Harvest Festival, Prom, Homecoming, and school banquets) on a scheduled and as-needed basis.

### **Clothing Requirements:**

- Spandex, bike shorts, compression tops, yoga pants, and other similar skin-tight apparel are prohibited as an outer covering.
- Proper under garments must be worn and not be visible.
- Students may not wear as outer clothing any clothing that designed to be worn as an undergarment.

- Students may not wear clothing or accessories that contains pictures or writing that is lewd, racial, offensive, vulgar, obscene, satanic, has an innuendo or second meaning, or relating to tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or other inappropriate topics.
- Clothing must be properly hemmed.
- Clothing and accessories that promote positive choices and/or awareness (such as “Keep a Breast” bracelets) must use appropriate terminology and may not include slang references to anatomy.
- All belts must be buckled and worn through loops.
- Caps, hats, knitted caps, hoods or other form of head gear will not to be worn while at school or at any Lometa ISD extracurricular event or function.
- Sunglasses will not be worn in the buildings or classrooms.
- Appropriate footwear is required. House shoes or shoes with rollers are not allowed.
- School-issued PE/Athletic clothes are restricted to PE/Athletic classes and may not be worn to other classes.

### **Shirts, Tops, and Blouses**

- Clothing with oversized armholes or other openings that expose the torso below the neckline are not allowed.
- All shirts and blouses must be of sufficient length as not to expose the midriff.
- Shirts with square cut bottoms may be worn outside of the pants if the shirt is not below the mid-thigh area.

### ***Girls***

- No spaghetti straps or tank tops are permitted unless clothing is properly layered. Low-cut suggestive, see-through, or revealing clothing is not acceptable.
- Sleeveless tops are permitted so long as they include straps of at least three inches and meet other dress code requirements.
- Necklines shall not expose cleavage in front or be lower than the armpits in the back.

### ***Boys***

- All shirts with V-tails must be button and tucked in.
- Boys may not wear tank tops, muscle shirts, or shirts without sleeves.
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### **Pants and Leg Coverings**

- Pants/shorts/skorts will be worn on the waist above the point of the hip.
- Over-sized pants/shorts that would give the appearance of being baggy or saggy will not be permitted.

- Students may not wear leg coverings with un-patched holes at or above the knee. Holes of excessive size and/or amount are prohibited. Students may “patch” small holes up to the mid-thigh using under-leggings.
- No pajamas or lounge pants are allowed.

### **Shorts**

- Walking shorts may be worn the 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th six weeks of the school year at a length no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. Biker shorts, wind shorts, and gym shorts are not allowed. “Slickie” shorts are allowable if they are of sufficient length. Jean shorts are allowable if they are hemmed or rolled at the leg.

### **Skirts/Dresses**

- Boys are not permitted to wear skirts or dresses.
- Girls may wear skirts or dresses with a hemline or split may be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. Length rules apply to all skirts, regardless if worn over other leg coverings.

### **Hair**

- Hair shall be neat, clean, and well groomed and shall not be in the eyes. Extreme hairstyles that may interfere with the classroom learning environment are not permitted. Unallowable examples include mohawks, unusually dyed or colored hair, and shaved designs in the hair. No combs or picks will be worn in hair.

### **Boys**

- Hair shall not be longer than the top of the collar (dress shirt collar) in the back. Sideburns and/or hair on side must be neatly trimmed and no longer than the point where the lower part of the ear is attached. Mustaches, beards, pony tails and other expressive male styles are not allowed.

### **Girls**

- Hair accessories such as bows, feathers, or wrapped braids are not prohibited in so much as they are not excessive as to cause distraction.

### **Piercings and Tattoos**

- Boys are not permitted to wear earrings, nose-rings or rings in any other body part, at school or school related activities.
- Girls are permitted to wear earrings. Girls are not permitted to wear nose-rings or rings in any other body part, at school or school related activities.
- Visible tattoos are prohibited and must be covered.

### **Special Events:**

Students must remember that they are representing Lometa ISD to the public when attending special events. Students must dress appropriately for such occasions.

***Administrative directives and/or administratively approved sponsor requests may result in modified dress requirements for activities and special occasions. Such modifications may include greater or less stringent dress requirements.***

***Banquets and After-School Assemblies:***

- Refer to above-listed student dress and grooming requirements.
- ***No shorts will be allowed.***
- Girls should refer to regular student dress codes regarding hem length -3 inches above knee (including splits) - and neck lines. Spaghetti straps and strapless dresses may be worn if layered with proper covering.
- Boys are encouraged to wear dress jeans or slacks and collared shirts. Shirts must be appropriately tucked. No earrings will be allowed.

***Formal Occasions (Prom, Harvest Festival, and Homecoming Court)***

- Girls should refer to regular student dress codes regarding hem length (3 inches above knee, including splits) - and neck lines. Properly fitted spaghetti strapped or strapless dresses may be worn with sponsor permission on designated formal occasions.
- Boys are encouraged to wear dress jeans or slacks and collared shirts. Shirts must be appropriately tucked. No earrings will be allowed.