

TATUM ISD

2017-2018

STUDENT DRESS CODE

- Any student's unfavorable image (i.e. clothes, grooming, accessories, body decorations, etc.) extreme enough to create a distraction or disturb the normal routine of school as determined by the administration shall be deemed inappropriate.
- **All** tattoos must be covered and hidden from view.
- Jewelry used in conjunction with body piercing such as nose rings, lip rings, eyebrow rings, gages of any kind, and tongue studs are **prohibited**.
- Males shall not wear earrings. Females may wear no more than two earrings in each ear.
- Student's hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times and shall not obstruct vision. no extreme style or color shall be allowed. No symbols, letters, or extreme designs cut in the hair shall be permitted. **No** ponytails, ducktails, rat-tails, male bun or puffballs **shall be allowed** on male students. Male's' hair length **shall not** extend beyond the collar of the shirt.
- Mustaches must not extend past the corners of the mouth. Mustaches and beards are to be well groomed, trimmed, and maintained.
- Revealing, sloppy, see through clothing, torn clothing, inappropriately altered, open midriffs, muscle shirts, and Tank tops for males, spaghetti straps, race-back tops, tube tops, and pajama pants are prohibited. Vests or tee shirts, normally considered as undergarments, are not permitted to be worn as shirts. Apparel that is cut too low in the front, side or back is prohibited. No pants, jeans, etc. with holes exposing skin above the short/skirt length requirement may be worn to school. Students must wear leggings under their pants if holes are present. Shirts, sweaters, jackets, vests, etc. with holes are prohibited unless holes are from a lacey or a crocheted-like design (administrator's discretion). A hole exists when skin or undergarments can be seen through the material.
- Females must not wear skirts, skorts, or dresses that are more than three inches above the knee or have a slit that is cut more than three inches above the knee.
- Female's clothing should not be revealing in cut, style, or material. No halter-tops or tank tops are allowed. Sleeveless tops are allowed as long as it meets the "3 finger rule".
- See through tops should not be worn unless paired with one that meets requirements. A lacy top cannot be worn over a camisole and count as in dress code.
- Cotton and knit pants are permitted as long as they are not tight fitting. Pants should not be worn above the mid-calf. No spandex/stretch pants, yoga, stirrup pants are allowed.

- Articles of clothing should be worn as they are designed to be worn, such as suspenders on the shoulders and trousers full length. Pants must be appropriately sized and cinched at the waist. Sagging is not allowed.
- Jeggings/Leggings allowed as long as shirt/blouse is at least fingertip length or longer.
- Clothing that advertises, condones, depicts, or promotes the use of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs shall not be permitted. Clothing with vulgar or obscene language or with images or writing that promotes disruption shall not be permitted. Clothing with political language shall not be permitted.
- No mode of dress regarded as “gang” attire will be permitted at any school activity or at school.
- Beach, shower, and house shoes shall not be permitted.
- Clothing with holes or tears are allowed if the holes or tears are below fingertip length.
- Hats, scarves, headwraps and caps shall not be worn inside the school building. Exceptions may be granted for medical or religious reasons and special events
- Sandals are allowed if they are clean and well kept.
- Sunglasses may not be worn indoors without a documented medical reason.

If the principal determines that a student’s grooming or clothing violates the school’s dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school.