

Rice CISD District Dress Code

The District's dress code is established to value grooming and hygiene as a means to ensure personal safety and to prevent academic disruption or interruption. Students should learn to dress appropriately for the school/work environment. Given that school is the students' workplace, they are expected to dress in a way appropriate to that environment. Parents and students are asked to assist administrators and faculty in keeping with dress code policy to minimize disciplinary actions against such violations.

All students should be well groomed with daily personal hygiene habits. Grooming shall be accomplished outside the classroom and before classroom activities begin.

Clothing

- All clothing must be appropriately sized
- Excessively baggy, and / or excessively tight fitting garments are not permitted
- All shirts must have sleeves—boys and girls
- Clothing and accessories with suggestive symbols, writing, or subliminal messages are considered a personal safety hazard and disruptive to the learning environment and therefore not permitted.
- Basketball jerseys must be worn over T-shirt

Hair

- Abnormal hair color (blonde patches or streaks) or hairdo is prohibited. (Mohawks, faux Mohawks, logos, patterns, names, symbols, words)
- Hair should be arranged not to cover the eyes or interfere with vision, and styled in a manner not to create a distraction

Boys

- All pants and shorts must be worn above the top of the buttocks, no sagging
- Hair length cannot touch the top of a standard t-shirt, not extend below the eyebrows, and not below the earlobes on the sides, or bound in any style.
- No earrings or Band-Aids that cover earrings, or any visible piercings, posts, or spacers. (plastic or metal)
- Facial hair must be shaved at all times.
- Sideburns are allowed but cannot extend below the bottom of the earlobe.

Girls

- **No visible cleavage or low necklines.**
- **Shorts, skirts and dresses must extend to the tip of the longest finger when standing erect with shoulders relaxed. (If leggings are worn under shorts, skirts, long shirts, or dresses the outer garment must cover the buttocks.)**
- **No slits in skirts allowed if higher than the longest finger when student is standing erect.**
- **Dresses worn to school may not be backless or sleeveless and must extend to the tip of the longest finger when standing erect. Dresses worn at Banquets may not be backless and supporting straps must be at least 3 inches in width. Banquet dresses also must extend to the tip of the longest finger when standing erect.**
- **Visible piercing allowed in the ears only.**

Miscellaneous Prohibited Items:

- **Clothing that has holes or frays will not be allowed.**
- **See-through clothing, sheer top, etc.**
- **House shoes, sleep wear, pajamas**
- **Anything that promotes alcohol, tobacco, or drug use**

The campus principal shall have the final say so in all matters relating to the dress code.

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. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.