

**GREGORY-PORTLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENT DRESS CODE
2016-17**

Student Dress Code

Administrators have discretion on all matters concerning interpretation of the student dress code, including matters not specifically covered in the student dress code.

Shirts

1. In grades PK-5, acceptable shirts may have graphics, printed designs, pictures, lettering, and logos.
2. In grades 6-12, the types of acceptable shirts are:
 - Polo-style shirts that may have logos, stripes or repeating patterns but no pictures or graphics;
 - GPISD school spirit and GPISD organization shirts (pre-approved by campus administration); College shirts;
 - Solid color crew-neck T-shirts; No white, round-neck or V-neck T-shirts allowed; and Button-up, collared style shirts in solids, stripes or patterns.

In Grades PK-12:

3. Midriffs may not show at any time, including when arms are raised overhead or when seated or bent over.
4. No sleeveless shirts, mesh, or sport jerseys may be worn.
5. All shirts, if worn outside of pants, must be no longer than fingertip length.
6. Polo-style shirts with buttons or snaps must be buttoned or snapped appropriately. Only the top button or snap may be open.
7. Button-up, collared style shirts must be buttoned appropriately. Only the top button may be open.
8. No low-cut necklines are allowed.

Pants, Jeans, Shorts, Skirts, Skorts

1. In grades PK-6, students may wear sweatpants or warm-ups.
2. In grades 7-12, students may not wear sweatpants, windpants, pants with drawstrings, warm-ups, coveralls, overalls, or pajama-style pants.

In Grades PK-12:

3. Shorts, skirts, and skorts must be no shorter than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap.
4. Pants, jeans, shorts, skirts, and skorts may not have any “suggestive” lettering, including in the decoration or in the design.
5. Pants, jeans, shorts, skirts, and skorts must fit properly. No sagging, cut, torn, frayed (no skin showing) or oversized pants, jeans, or shorts may be worn.
6. No bicycle shorts, wind shorts, see-through mesh shorts, or cut-offs may be worn.
7. No soccer, basketball, or athletic style shorts may be worn (except in PE/Athletics, Band, or Cheerleading classes).

Dresses and Jumpers, Grades PK-6

1. In grades PK-6 only, girls may wear dresses and jumpers that are no shorter than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap.
2. No dresses that are sleeveless, backless, or have spaghetti straps may be worn.

Outerwear – Sweatshirts, Pullovers, Hoodies, Sweaters, Vests, Coats, Jackets and Windbreakers

1. An approved dress code shirt must be worn under outerwear at all times.
2. Outerwear may have hoods, but hoods may not be worn indoors.
3. Outerwear must be no more than one size larger than fitted size.
4. No dusters or trench coats may be worn.
5. In grades 7-12, only outerwear with no pictures or graphics may be worn indoors.

Shoes

1. Shoes must be a matching pair and worn at all times.
2. Shoes must be tennis or athletic-style; tie, Velcro, or loafer-style; sandals; or regular boots.
3. Shoelaces must be properly laced and tied.
4. Shoe or boot heels must be no higher than 2 inches.

5. No para-military style boots, shower or house shoes, shoes with wheels, or rollerblades may be worn.
6. Additional restrictions may be imposed for shoes required for P.E., athletics, science, etc.

Uniforms

1. No school activity uniforms may be worn other than during the activity for which the uniform is designed.
2. Students who are members of nationally recognized organizations (i.e., scouting) may wear the uniform(s) approved by that organization to school if the uniform(s) meets the requirements of this dress code.

Additional Guidelines

1. Students are not allowed to wear clothing that advertises tobacco, alcohol, drugs, violence, cult- or gang-related material, or clothing that is sexually suggestive or demeaning to other people. This includes gothic attire and skulls.
2. Clothing must be appropriately sized to the student. No tight, low-cut, or revealing clothing may be worn.
3. Caps, hats, head coverings, bandanas, gloves, arm socks, hoods, or sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.
4. Leggings may be worn under approved pants, jeans, shorts, skirts, skorts, dresses, and jumpers but may not be worn under a shirt in place of pants.
5. Clothing cannot be worn that creates a distraction.
6. All clothing must be properly hemmed and/or have finished edges.
7. Sufficient underclothing must be worn, but not be visible.
8. All tattoos must be covered and hidden from view. No body art, writing, or pictures may be displayed on the body.
9. Boys may not wear earrings, makeup, or nail polish.
10. Students may not wear black lipstick.
11. Students may not wear nose studs, nose rings, tongue rings, gauges/plugs/tapers/spacers, or any other body piercing objects with the exception that girls may wear earrings.
12. No ripped, torn, or cut clothing is allowed.
13. Hair must be clean, neat, out of the face, and away from the eyes. No distracting hairdos including Mohawk-type styles, symbols or marks shaved into the hair or eyebrows, or hair dyed unnatural color(s) are allowed.
14. In grades 7-12, all boys must be clean-shaven and may not have mustaches or beards. Sideburns cannot extend below the bottom of the earlobe.
15. No excessive makeup or jewelry is allowed.
16. The color of contact lenses must be natural eye colors only.
17. No hanging straps, chains, or bandanas may be worn.
18. When clothing is layered, all visible clothing, including the outermost layer of apparel, must be appropriately buttoned and hemmed.
19. Backpacks are allowed in grades PK-12.
20. Principals may designate special occasion days with guidelines that vary from this dress code, as appropriate.
21. The sponsor, coach, or other employee in charge of an extracurricular or co-curricular activity or special class, in cooperation with the campus administration, may impose additional guidelines on the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity or class.

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