

KENSLER ELEMENTARY

STUDENT DRESS CODE

In order to provide a quality-learning environment in our school, appropriate student behavior/dress is necessary. The vast majority of students ARE appropriately dressed, and their efforts in this regard are appreciated. The staff members expect students and parents to realize that all students are expected to adhere to this dress code. Reasonable criteria for determining appearance are based on health, safety, and public decency and should be conducive to a learning atmosphere. Though not all inclusive, these are specific examples of the general criteria.

- Extreme dress or hairstyle which is distractive will not be permitted.
- Sunglasses, hats, bandanas, and headscarves are not to be worn in the building.
- Any items which promote the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal pictures or attract attention to body parts (including writing across the rear of pants and shorts) will not be permitted.
- Because of safety concerns, platform shoes, sandals, and flip flops are not recommended on P.E. days or on the playground. Roller skates or Heelies (rollers built into shoes) are not permitted.
- Shirts must reach the waistband. All shirts must cover the belt line at all times.
- Wear shirts that have a minimum of 2 inch straps, cover midribs and backs at all times.
- Underwear cannot be shown outside of regular attire.
- No shorts/skirts above finger length when arms are at rest.
- "Sagging" will not be permitted.
- Coats will be allowed in the classroom at the discretion of the teacher when the temperature is uncomfortable to the learning environment.

The above code/expectations will be applied fairly and equitably regardless of gender. Administration, teachers and other school staff may determine what constitutes inappropriate or unsafe dress. Any item that is deemed disruptive to the operation of the school or distracting to the learning environment will not be allowed. The decision of the building principal will be final in all disputes concerning student dress.

Parents will be contacted and asked to bring appropriate clothing in the event that inappropriate clothing is worn to school.