

DRESS AND GROOMING (All Grade Levels)

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Students shall come to school looking clean and neat and wearing clothing and exhibiting grooming that will not be a health or safety hazard to the student or others. The district prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing that are lewd, offensive, violent in nature, vulgar/obscene, or that advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under [District Policy FNCF (LOCAL)], and prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations.

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.

The principal may allow exceptions to this written policy for school spirit days or special campus approved activities. All campus dress code policies will be enforced at co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Because of the nature of extracurricular activities, the principal may approve exceptions to the traditional dress code for students during participation in an extracurricular activity.

District will adhere to a traditional dress code policy for the following campuses:

Channelview High School
L.W. Kolarik 9th Grade Center
Joe Campbell Learning Center
Pre-Kindergarten

The Campus Education Improvement Committee (CEIC) of each campus has the option to recommend a standardized dress code that includes the traditional dress code for enforcement if approved by the superintendent.

Channelview High School, L.W. Kolarik Center And Joe Campbell Learning Center (Pre-Kindergarten When Applicable)

Shirts

- Shirts may be untucked and must be appropriately buttoned at all times (Channelview High School, Kolarik 9th Grade Center and Joe Campbell Learning Center)
- Sleeveless shirts are allowed if the shoulder strap is two-inches or more in width-no unhemmed or low-cut shirts allowed. This includes sundresses.
- No spaghetti strap tops or camisoles allowed, this includes strapless tops and sundresses even if covered by another garment.
- No tight fitting knit tops
- No midriff tops, shimmer /shear shirts, cut off shirts, or other tops that expose the midriff area during normal activity
- Shall be appropriately sized - not oversized or baggy
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, creates a

distraction, signifies death, suicide, Satanism, and the occult. This includes but is not limited to concert shirts, patches, and insignias depicting any of the above

- Shall not have written reference to alcohol, tobacco products, sex, vulgar language, weapons, symbols that can be considered racial, or detract from a conducive learning environment
- May not be ripped, torn, or have holes
- May not be worn off the shoulder

Pants, Skirts, Dresses

- Shall be appropriately sized, not tight fitting, baggy, or oversized
- Pants must fit at the waist, not worn below the waist, and be properly hemmed or cuffed, not ripped, with holes
- Belts are required if pants are not appropriately sized.
- Shall not have written reference to alcohol, tobacco products, sex, vulgar language, weapons, symbols that can be considered racial, or detract from a conducive learning environment
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, creates a distraction, signifies death, suicide, Satanism, and the occult. This includes but is not limited to patches and insignias depicting any of the above
- Dresses, skirts, and pants must have hemlines no shorter than four inches above the knee
- No outside (sewn on) oversized expandable pockets on slacks, jeans, shorts, such as those commonly referred to as "cargo" pockets or "safari" pockets are allowed.
- Leggings are allowed if the dress, shirt, skirt and/or shorts worn over the leggings are no shorter than four inches above the knee.
- No sleepwear, pajamas, or lounging pants
- No athletic shorts. Matching nylon warm-up suits are allowed with coordinating tops or bottoms. No writing on the back of the pants is allowed. These suits must meet administrator's approval.

Shoes/Footwear

- Backless flats may be worn at school, provided they cover the toes.
- Footwear traditionally worn around the home (i.e., house shoes, slippers, etc.) or to the beach (i.e., water shoes, athletic sandals, plastic/ foam/ rubber flip flops, etc.) are not permitted

Miscellaneous

The following items shall and will be considered unacceptable

- Large or oversized purses or handbags are not permitted
- Only clear or mesh book bags will be allowed on school property or at school sponsored events.
- Caps, hats, or other head coverings will not be worn anywhere on campus during the school day without approval from the building principal
- Earrings on boys
- Bandanas
- Pierced ring in lip, nose, eyebrow, tongue, or other body parts, (except female ears)
- Hair rollers/ long combs
- Sunglasses while in the building
- Rings that join two or more fingers, resulting in a brass knuckle type of weapon
- Pet collars or heavy chains

- Large oversized belt buckles
- Visible under garments or under garments worn inappropriately
- Decorative teeth accessories
- Inappropriate contact lenses
- No duster coats or trench coats

Unacceptable Hair and Grooming

- No facial hair allowed. Students will be required to shave immediately if facial hair is noticeable.
- No gang-related, profane, vulgar or otherwise distracting hairstyle, or design cut into the hair.
- Any tattoo cut into skin shall be covered at all times
- Inappropriate hair color that is a distraction to the learning environment e.g. orange, green, etc
- Hair must be neat and clean

In addition to the Channelview Independent School District's traditional dress code, the students attending the campuses listed below will be required to adhere to a specific, standardized, campus dress code for all students. The following dress code will be enforced at these Schools.

Aguirre Junior High

Alice Johnson Junior High

Apollo

Brown Elementary

Cobb Elementary

Crenshaw Elementary

DeZavala Elementary

Hamblen Elementary

McMullan Elementary

Schochler Elementary

All clothing may be purchased at the store of your choice including area Wal-Mart and Academy Stores. If you have any questions regarding the standardized dress code policy please call the Elementary School or Junior High where your child will be attending.

Kindergarten – 5th Grade Including Students Being Sent To Apollo

Capri Pants, Slacks, Shorts, Skorts, Skirts, Dresses Or Jumpers

- Shall be solid color khaki, black, or navy.
- Jeans may be worn on Friday with "Spirit" or "Organizational" shirt as approved by the Principal.
- Shall be appropriately sized
- Pants must fit at the waist and be properly hemmed or cuffed at or below ankle, but not dragging the ground ("slicing" or "ragging" not allowed).
- Belts are recommended.
- Belt buckles may not be larger than the student's fist.
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction ("sagging" not allowed).
- No stretch slacks, sweatpants, jogging pants, jeggings, joggers, wind suits, warm-ups, overalls or coveralls allowed.
- No leather, suede, corduroy or vinyl fabric

- Length of shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses or jumpers must be no more than four [4] inches above the knee
- No outside (sewn on) oversized expandable pockets on slacks, jeans, shorts, such as those commonly referred to as "cargo" pockets or "safari" pockets are allowed.
- Top and bottom colors of standardized dress items shall be in contrasting colors. (e.g. no black & black; khaki & khaki; navy & navy)

Shirts

- Shall be any solid color (no multicolor) - no glitter, shimmer, or other color distraction is permitted
- A single logo allowed. Size of logo to be no larger than a US quarter coin.
- Must have a standard collar
- Must be a polo, golf style or button-down dress style shirt
- May also be an approved "Spirit" or "Organizational" shirt any day with standardized dress pants.
- May not be leather, suede, or vinyl
- May not be sleeveless, unhemmed, or low-cut
- May not be spaghetti strap, even if covered by another garment
- Shall be appropriately sized
- No tight fitting knit tops or oversized shirts
- No midriff tops, shimmer/shear shirts, cut off shirts or other tops that expose the midriff area during normal activity
- Recommended tucked in
- Must be appropriately buttoned at all times
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- If a t-shirt or turtleneck shirt is worn underneath the shirt, it shall be solid color
- Top and bottom colors of standardized dress items shall be in contrasting colors (e.g. no black & black; khaki & khaki; navy & navy)

Outside Jackets and Coats

- Must be removed upon entering the building
- All fabrics acceptable
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband or creates a distraction
- Full length jackets/coats such as those commonly referred to as "trench" coats or "dusters" are not permitted. Only ¾ length (or less) jackets/coats are acceptable
- Outside jackets and coats are considered to be cold weather apparel only

Sweatshirts/Jackets/Sweaters

- May be worn in the building throughout the day
- May be worn only over the standard school shirt
- May be any type of material and may be lined
- Shall be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves and length
- Jackets and sweatshirts with hoods are appropriate. Hood is not to be worn over the head in the building.
- Full length jackets/coats such as those commonly referred to as "trench" coats or "dusters" are not permitted. Only ¾ length (or less) jackets/coats are acceptable
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband or creates

a distraction

Shoes

- Students must wear shoes appropriate for school (no backless shoes such as: house shoes, slippers, or flip flops)
- Shall be appropriately fastened at all times
- Wheels, noise-makers, or lights are not permitted on footwear.

Miscellaneous

- New students enrolling in Channelview ISD for the first time will be provided a grace period of no more than ten (10) school days to comply with the dress code.
- Revealing or tight garments considered inappropriately sized are prohibited.
- Accessories with inappropriate decorations or advertisements are prohibited. This includes but is not limited to, any item that depicts the occult, gang membership, death, suicide, violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, sex, ethnic bias, or vulgar language.
- Only clear or mesh book bags will be allowed on school property or at school sponsored events. **No book bags are allowed at Apollo.**

The following items may **not** be worn:

- Sunglasses, hairnets, and bandanas (this also refers to the style of dress known as “Do-rags”)
- Garments that have holes worn or torn in them
- Heavy chains, spike necklaces, heavy chain necklaces, pet collars or other inappropriate types of jewelry signifying death, suicide, Satanism and the occult. This includes but is not limited to concert shirts, patches, and insignias depicting any of the above
- Glitter, tattoos, cuts into the skin and writing/drawing on the face or skin; any tattoos (including temporary) must be covered at all times (at school or while representing the school)
- Girls, no more than two earrings may be worn in each ear lobe, no nose rings, lip rings, tongue piercings, or any other body piercings are permitted
- No large or oversized purses / handbags
- Caps, hats, or other head coverings will not be worn anywhere on campus during the school day without approval from the building principal
- Earrings on boys
- Hair rollers / long combs
- Sleepwear, pajamas, or lounging pants
- Sweat suits / athletic shorts
- Revealing garments; includes sheer or see through blouses
- Rings that join two or more fingers, resulting in a brass knuckle type weapon
- Large oversized belt buckles
- Decorative teeth accessories, “grills”
- Inappropriate contact lenses
- Inappropriate hair color, e.g., orange, green, blue, red, purple etc.
- Hair must be neatly groomed and clean
- Facial hair (beards, mustaches)
- No designs cut into the hair or mohawks

6th, 7th and 8th Grade

Capri Pants, Slacks, Shorts, Skorts, Skirts, Dresses Or Jumpers

- Shall be solid-color, khaki, black, or navy. No glitter, shimmer, or other color distraction is permitted; this shall include, but not be limited to stripes and embroidery that is a distraction.
- Jeans may be worn for special occasions with Principal approval.
- Shall be appropriately sized: not tight fitting, not loose fitting
- Pants must fit at the waist and be properly hemmed or cuffed at or below ankle, but not dragging the ground ("slicing" or "ragging" not allowed).
- Belts are required.
- Belt buckles may not be larger than the student's fist.
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction ("sagging" not allowed).
- No stretch slacks, jeggings, joggers, leggings, sweatpants, jogging pants, wind suits, warm-ups, overalls or coveralls allowed.
- No leather, suede, corduroy or vinyl fabric
- Length of shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses or jumpers must be no more than two [2] inches above the knee
- No stripes or embroidery allowed
- No outside (sewn on) oversized expandable pockets on slacks, jeans, shorts, such as those commonly referred to as "cargo" pockets or "safari" pockets are allowed.
- Top and bottom colors of standardized dress items shall be in contrasting colors

Shirts

- Shall be any solid color (no multicolor) no glitter, shimmer, or other color distraction is permitted.
- A single logo allowed. Size of logo to be no larger than a US quarter coin.
- Must have a standard collar and no more than 3 buttons
- Must be a polo, golf style
- May also be an approved "Spirit" or "Organizational" shirt any day with standardized dress pants as approved by the principal.
- May not be leather, suede, or vinyl
- May not be sleeveless, unhemmed, or low-cut
- May not be spaghetti strap, even if covered by another garment
- Shall be appropriately sized
- No tight fitting knit tops or oversized shirts
- No midriff tops, shear shirts, cut off shirts or other tops that expose the midriff area during normal activity
- Must be completely and properly tucked in and appropriately buttoned at all times
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- If a t-shirt or turtleneck shirt is worn underneath the shirt, it shall be a solid color.
- Top and bottom colors of standardized dress items shall be in contrasting colors

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- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband or creates a distraction
- Full length jackets/coats such as those commonly referred to as “trench” coats or “dusters” are not permitted. Only ¾ length (or less) jackets/coats are acceptable
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- Shall be solid color
- May be worn in the building throughout the day
- May be worn only over the standard school shirt
- May be any type of material and may be lined
- Shall be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves and length
- Jackets and sweatshirts with hoods are appropriate. Hood is not to be worn over the head in the building.
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- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband or creates a distraction

Shoes

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- No large or oversized purses / handbags

- Caps, hats, or other head coverings will not be worn anywhere on campus during the school day without approval from the building principal
- Earrings on boys
- Hair rollers / long combs
- Sleepwear, pajamas, or lounging pants
- Sweat suits / athletic shorts
- Revealing garments; includes sheer or see through blouses
- Rings that join two or more fingers, resulting in a brass knuckle type weapon
- Large oversized belt buckles
- Decorative teeth accessories, “grills”
- Inappropriate contact lenses
- Inappropriate hair color that is a distraction to the learning environment
- Hair must be neatly groomed and clean
- Facial hair
- No gang-related, profane, vulgar or otherwise distracting design cut into the hair

Discipline School Dress Code for Apollo Grades K – 5th

A more detailed outline of the Apollo dress code will be explained to parents upon enrollment to the campus. Any changes/additions to the Apollo dress code are at the discretion of the school’s campus principal.

Unless otherwise noted, Apollo Students are also expected to adhere to the acceptable and unacceptable Dress and Grooming section of this handbook.

Dress Code for Highpoint East Grades 6th – 12th

A more detailed outline of the Highpoint East dress code will be explained to parents upon enrollment to the campus. Any changes/additions to the Highpoint East dress code are at the discretion of the school’s campus principal.

Administrators Have the Responsibility and Right to Determine Appropriateness of Attire and Grooming for the School Setting



Please Note: The principal of the school shall have the discretion to determine if a student’s hair, dress, and/or grooming are acceptable, within appropriate health and safety standards, and are not disrupting or distracting to the normal operation of the campus or any extra-curricular / co-curricular activity.

Exception to the Dress Code Policy

Voluntary organizations may establish limitations more stringent than those named in these policies with approval of the superintendent, assistant superintendent, and principal.

If a medical condition requires an exception to the dress code, then certification of the need by the student’s medical doctor must be presented each semester for approval by the superintendent, assistant superintendent, or principal. School officials reserve the right to require a second opinion from the school’s medical doctor to certify a physical deformity or abnormality for which compliance to the rules would be detrimental to the physical health of the student.



The CEIC of a campus may recommend exceptions to the traditional code for approval by the principal and superintendent.