

Federal Way Public Schools Dress Policy 3224

Preserving an environment conducive to learning world class skills, assuring the safety and well-being of all students, and promoting an atmosphere appropriate for the serious work of learning are primary concerns of the District. To address these concerns individual schools and alternative programs are to adopt, publish, and implement a student dress code. Each school or alternative program shall obtain student, staff, and parental input prior to developing and implementing its student dress code or when considering changes to it.

Students in the Federal Way Public Schools are expected to dress in a manner that reflects pride and respect for themselves and their schools and is appropriate for the serious work of learning. It is generally expected that student dress shall be clean and appropriate for the activity in which the student is engaged. The following shall be prohibited by each school's or alternative program's student dress code:

- A. Clothing presenting a reasonable expectation of a material and substantial disruption of the educational process, damage to school property, or a health or safety hazard, or anything that advocates prejudice;
- B. Clothing displaying obscene or sexual words, pictures, messages or innuendoes;
- C. Clothing displaying drug or alcohol-related words, pictures, messages, or innuendoes;
- D. Pajamas, slippers, halter tops or any shirt that is short enough to expose the stomach, pants that are unusually low riding and are worn low on the hips revealing under garments, or shorts or skirts shorter than fingertip length;
- E. Clothing which symbolizes gang membership or which displays gang-related words, symbols, messages, or pictures;

Lakota Middle School 2019-2020 Dress Code

In addition to the district policy 3224 regarding student dress outlined above, Lakota Administration, in partnership with student, staff, and family input, will be instituting additional and specific requirements for student dress. In addition to items A-E above, Lakota is instituting the following:

- F. Hoods should be removed upon entering the school building.
- G. Hats and bandanas should only be worn as part of an approved Spirit Week.
- H. All tops should have sleeves.
- I. All tops should cover the torso, including the midsection and chest.
- J. All form fitting bottoms should be worn with a top that FULLY covers the rear end.
- K. Ripped pants with any holes above finger-tip length are to be covered by an under garment.
- L. Sunglasses should only be worn inside for medical purposes.
- M. Pants must be worn at the waist level.
- N. Clothing or apparel that cause a disruption to the learning environment are prohibited. At the discretion of the school administration.
- O. Blankets are prohibited.

Dress Code Redirections

1st correction- Correct the problem. If necessary, call parent to provide appropriate clothing.

2nd correction- phone call home.

3rd correction- repeated corrections are subject to administrative action.