

No. 221 AR

EASTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE
REGULATION

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DRESS CODE

The purpose of education exists on two levels. The more basic of the two consist of imparting practical skills that will assist the individual in supporting the material aspects of his/her life.

On a higher level, the purpose of education is to transmit the values of civilization from generation to generation. These values are both academic and social. They consist of habits, attitudes, and ethical perspectives, as well as the general cultural heritage.

The school, in general, is a place of serious endeavor, and the classroom, in particular, should reflect an appropriate business-like atmosphere.

The dress, speech, and work habits of the students should, in every way possible, support the seriousness of the educational enterprise. The following examples are considered to be in poor taste and will merit disciplinary action:

1. No clothing imprinted with nudity, vulgarity, obscenity, profanity, and double entendre pictures or slogans, including those relating to alcohol, tobacco, drugs, weapons and violent acts.
2. No flip-flops/thongs, bedroom-like and soft-sole slippers and other hazardous footwear deemed to be inappropriate by the principal.
3. No clothing that has been intentionally torn, cut, or ripped in a fashion that displays the anatomy (including sweatpants, jeans or jean skirts).
4. No spandex, leggings, stirrup pants, or bike shorts may be worn unless worn under an article of clothing that complies with the dress code.
5. No see-through garments without appropriate undergarments. See-through garments must be worn over items of clothing that comply with the dress code.
6. No clothing intended as undergarments may be worn as outer garments. No displaying of undergarments at any time with the exception of neckline t-shirts.
7. No street coats, hats, and other head coverings (including baseball caps, bandannas, etc.). These items should be placed in lockers, closets, or other designated areas, and may not be worn in the building. Exceptions for medical or religious reasons must be referred to the building principal. Hoodies are permitted, however, the hood may not be worn.
8. For boys and girls, no midriff-baring clothing, tube tops, or low-cut scoop neck tops, tank tops, halter-style tops, spaghetti strap, open backs, or sleeveless shirts (sleeveless shirts may be worn in grades K-4). No off the shoulder garments.
9. All button-down shirts must be buttoned with the exception of the top two buttons.

10. No oversized clothing that may be unsafe for the student to wear (no more than one regular size larger than the student actually measures).
11. No spike haircuts in which the hair is sectioned and brought to a point or Mohawk-type haircuts.
12. No unnatural hair colors (red, blue, yellow, green, orange, purple, etc.).
13. No shorts/skorts above mid-thigh, no skirts that are more than three (3) inches above the back of the knee. No mini/micro skirts.
14. No pajama tops and/or bottoms as well as boxer-type (underwear) shorts are permitted as outerwear.
15. No exposed body-piercing jewelry other than in ears, including tongue rings/spikes. All jewelry is subject to administrative review.
16. No chains, dog collars, wallet chains, or spike bracelets/necklaces.
17. No apparel or usage of apparel characteristically associated with gang affiliation, e.g. one pant leg up.
18. No medical-type scrubs.
19. Any article of clothing or personal effect not specifically listed is subject to administrative review.

The principal has the right to enforce all of the above restrictions.

Parents should understand that they may be asked to bring a change of clothing to school for students who are in violation of this policy.

School officials may impose limitations on student participation in the regular instructional program where there is evidence that inappropriate dress causes disruption in the classroom, and the lack of cleanliness constitutes a health hazard or disruption of the educational program.

Students have the responsibility to dress appropriately and to keep themselves, their clothes, and their hair clean.

Students should at all times conduct themselves in a manner appropriate to these serious purposes. Most importantly, they should, at all times, be obedient, cooperative, respectful, and responsible to the teacher who is the supervisor of their educational program.

Students who are disrespectful or defiantly disrupt their own education and that of others will be held accountable for such actions.