



# Marshall Independent School District

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## Student Dress Code

The Marshall ISD Dress Code has been established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Uniform dress is required in 9th – 12th grade in Marshall ISD. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided they comply with the following:

### High School Standard Dress Code (Grades 9 – 12)

Students are **REQUIRED** to wear photo IDs at all times, on a lanyard or clip, above the waist and on the front.

### **THE FOLLOWING ARE CONSIDERED TO BE INAPPROPRIATE (NOT ALLOWED):**

Wearing caps or hats, bandannas, do-rags, hoods, or other inappropriate headgear inside the school building by either males or females during the regular school day is prohibited. These items will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the semester.

- Excessive or distracting hair color/style (administrative discretion)
- Symbols, words, or slang cut into hair that are obscene, racial, gang related or provocative in nature
- Piercings: student will be allowed to have pierced ears and one facial piercing.
- Hoodies/Jackets with hoods will not be allowed. These items may be confiscated for the semester.
- Objects that might be considered dangerous to the safety of any student such as wearing of chains and carrying of metal combs or “rakes” will not be allowed on campus.
- Males with make-up and/or nail polish.
- Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building. Contact lenses which make the eye appear abnormal will be not be allowed at school or school functions.
- Tank top, muscle shirts, or low cut clothing (neck or underarm) for males and females
- Clothing that exposes midriff when the arms are extended horizontally, exposure of the back, and/or cleavage is prohibited. A student is in automatic violation of the midriff rule when unexposed skin is showing at the waistline.
- Sheer clothing
- Provocative or excessively tight clothing (this prohibits leggings, jeggings, or skinny jeans)
- Dresses, skirts, all splits garments, and shorts must be no more 3 inches above the knee while properly worn when standing.
- Loose clothing that results in sagging is prohibited. Shorts and pants must be worn above the hips at the waistline.
- Visible undergarments
- Pajamas or sweatpants
- Frayed or ragged shorts or pants
- Slogans across the posterior



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- House shoes are not allowed. Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Obscene language or symbols, provocative pictures, advertising tobacco/narcotics, jewelry or exposed body parts
- Symbols on clothing or jewelry that would distract or cause undue attention
- Racially related symbols, emblems, pictures, words, slogans or tattoos
- Any accessory or clothing article deemed gang-related or dressing the same to show a pattern of dress deemed to be connected with gang activity
- Clothing worn in a manner for which it was not intended
- No holes or tears in clothing above the 3 inch rule
- Jackets cannot be used to cover inappropriate dress choices
- Pant bottoms which are wider than the shoe

## **THE FOLLOWING ARE APPROPRIATE CHOICES OF DRESS:**

- Short, well-groomed facial hair
- Shoes
- Pants
- Shorts or skirts following the 3 inch rule
- Shirts that do not expose midriff when arms are lifted horizontally

Final decisions on the appropriateness of school dress rest with the campus administrators.

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 (ISS) 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.