

DRESS AND GROOMING

(The Board of Trustees gives authority to campus principals to strengthen the district's basic Student Dress Code as necessary.)

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:

1. Sideburns may not extend past the earlobes.
2. Mustaches are permitted provided they are neatly trimmed. Goatees, beards, or facial hair are prohibited (must be clean shaven).
3. All students' hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times and shall not obstruct vision. No extreme style or color shall be allowed. No symbols, letters, or designs cut in the hair that are suggestive or excessive shall be permitted. No pony tails, pig tails, duck tails, rat tails, or puff balls shall be allowed on male students. Male students' hair length must not be touching the collar. General grooming of the student body will be determined by the principal.
4. Advertisements or symbols that promote or depict drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, violence, on all apparel, jewelry, and accessories. No chains, handcuffs, or any other accessory that suggests weaponry shall be used.
5. Hats, caps, headbands, bandanas, sunglasses, or other head coverings/accessories shall not be worn in the buildings. Terrell High School and Furlough Middle School have the following provision: No stickers shall be worn on the face.
6. Hair rollers and styling clips are not allowed.
7. Unnatural hair coloring such as green, purple, etc. is prohibited.
8. Sagging Pants: (Applies to all campuses): Students shall wear their trousers properly at the natural waist line. (Two-to-three fingers below belly button). No sagging of pants will be allowed.

Jewelry and Other Accessories

1. Excessive makeup and/or jewelry are not allowed.
2. All tattoos must be covered and hidden from view.
3. Jewelry used in conjunction with body piercing such as nose rings, lip rings, eyebrow rings, or tongue studs are prohibited.
4. Boys may not wear earrings, spacers, makeup, or nail polish.
5. Students are not to wear sunshades or sunglasses in school unless they provide a note from their physician stating the need to do so.
6. Chains on wallets are not permitted.

Shirts, Blouses, Turtlenecks

Style: Collared knit button polo style shirt or dress style buttoned shirts/blouses (long or short sleeve), turtlenecks

Color: Red, White, or Navy Blue (solid, single colors)

All shirts, blouses, and turtlenecks must be tucked in at all times and must stay tucked in when arms are raised. Shirts must be tucked in so that belts show.

Approved Terrell school logos only (2" x 2" inches, unless approved by administration). *School logos are not required.*

All shirts and blouses must be fastened no lower than 4 inches from the top of the collar.

Stripes, checks, or other designs on shirts, blouses, or turtlenecks are not allowed.
T-shirts, denim, thermal type, zippered, unhemmed or sleeveless tops are not allowed.

At Terrell High School, students enrolled in Health Science Technology program may wear campus-approved scrubs on days designated by the HST instructor.

Sweatshirts, Hooded Sweatshirts, Sweaters, Vests, and Pullovers

Color: Red, white or navy blue (solid, single colors)

Sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, sweaters, vests, and pullovers must be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves, and length, and must be worn over collared polo shirt, blouse, or turtleneck.

Approved Terrell school logos only (2" x 2", unless approved by administration). – *School logos are not required.*

Stripes, checks, lettering, or other designs are not allowed on sweatshirts, vests, or sweaters.

Sleeveless or capped sleeve sweatshirts are not allowed.

Hoods do not count as collars.

Sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, sweaters, vest, and pullovers cannot be worn unless they are red, white, or navy blue.

Slacks, Shorts, and Pants

Style: Pleated or flat front docker-style slacks or pants (belted and full-length); walking style shorts. Pants with belt loops must have a belt.

Color: Khaki or Navy Blue (solid, single colors)

Hem of shorts must fall between the bottom of the knee and no more than 3 inches above the knee (in both front and back).

Pockets must be waist level and flat. Low pockets (cargo style) and “puff” pockets are not allowed.

Capri and Cargo style pants are not allowed.

Carpenter, overall, painter, flood pants, hip-hugger, or low-rise style pants are not allowed.

Baggy style legged slacks or bell-bottom pants wider than shoes are not allowed.

Jeans, denim, corduroy, or khaki jeans are not allowed.

Slacks, shorts, and pants must be worn at the waist and be properly hemmed or cuffed.

Logos or labels on pants must be no larger than 1" x 1".

Soccer or boxer style shorts are not allowed, except as directed by instructors during PE/Athletics, Cheer, Band, or Drill team classes.

Brads, studs or other adornments are not allowed on pants, shirts, or belts.

Shirt (top) and pants, skirt, skorts (bottom) may not be same color. Example: May not wear a navy blue shirt with navy blue pants

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Skirts and Skorts

Color: Khaki or Navy Blue (solid, single colors)

Skirts may be longer than the knee and no shorter than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap. Slits are allowed, but not above the top of the kneecap.

Knee length skirts may have a kick-pleat (no more than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap), but not a slit.

Skorts length may be no longer than the top of the kneecap or shorter than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap. No slit is allowed.

Pockets must be waist level and flat. Low pockets (cargo style) and “puff” pockets are not allowed.

Logos or labels on skirts or skorts must be no larger than 1” x 1”.

Jumpers

Style: V-neck, square neck, or round neck

Color: Khaki or Navy Blue (solid, single colors)

Jumpers must be worn no more than 3 inches above the top of the kneecap (in both front and back). No slits are allowed.

Collared polo shirt, blouse, or turtleneck must be worn under the jumper at all times.

Shorts must be worn under skirts or jumpers for Pre-K through 6th grade.

Kick-pleats are allowed (no more than 3 inches above the top of the knee-cap). Slits are not allowed.

Other than jumpers, dresses are not allowed.

Logos are not allowed.

Socks, Hose/Tights

Style (socks): Socks must be worn with slacks, pants or shorts

Color (socks): White, navy blue, red, black or khaki (solid, single colors)

Color (hose/tights): White, navy blue, black, khaki, or flesh-tone (solid, single colors)

Socks must match socks.

Stripes, checks, or other designs on socks or hose/tights are not allowed.

Shoes, Boots, Tennis Shoes

Style (shoes and boots): Must be closed toe and closed heel. Para-military type boots, sandals, thongs, flip flops, house-shoes, open-toed or open-heeled shoes are not allowed.

Steel toed boots or shoes are not allowed.

Color: Brown, black or navy blue leather-like shoes (tie or loafer-type), or brown, black or navy blue boots (pants are to be worn on the outside of the boots), or tennis shoes (no bright colors)

Shoes must match shoes. Boots must match boots. Tennis shoes must match tennis shoes.

Shoes that are designed to have shoestrings must have shoestrings, and the shoestrings must be appropriately tied.

Shoestrings must match, must be solid color, and cannot be neon or distracting colors.

Shoes with Velcro, buckles, or other types of fasteners must be fastened appropriately for the design of the shoe (closed, buckled, etc.).

Belts

Style: Leather-like dress style belts must be worn at all times. – *Wearing belts is encouraged, but not required for Pre-K and K.*

Color: Solid colored brown, black or navy blue dress style
Stripes, checks, or other designs on belts are not allowed.
Belts must be appropriate size.

Belts must be plain leather-like. Metal studs, brads, or other adornments are not allowed.

Belts may not be wider than belt loops and must be worn inside loops at the waist.

Outerwear: Coats (*cannot be worn in classroom*)

Coats may be allowed in accordance with appropriate weather conditions.

Coats must be open front with zipper, buttons, Velcro, or other appropriate fasteners.

Coats may be worn outside and in hallways during passing periods, but must be removed inside classrooms and hung on back of chair or in area designated by the teacher.

Trench coats and dusters are not allowed.

Additional Guidelines

Clothing must be appropriately sized.

Caps, hats, or head coverings inside the buildings are not allowed.

Overall pants, overall shorts, and overall jumpers are not allowed.

Wind shorts/pants, athletic shorts/pants, sweat shorts/pants are not allowed except as directed by instructor during PE/athletics, cheer, band or drill team classes.

All clothing worn inside the classroom must be solid colored and dress code colors.

Clothing items cannot be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction.

All clothing must be properly hemmed, clean and free from holes or tears.

Undershirts must be one of the solid approved colors with no lettering or designs.

Spandex, nylon, and stretch-type materials are not allowed.

Ties, if worn to school, must be worn with dress shirt. String ties are not allowed.

District standards for grooming and appearance for hair, general appearance of clothing, and jewelry and other accessories are addressed in the student handbook.

Administrators will have complete and final judgment on all matters concerning interpretation of the Student Dress Code. Matters concerning appearance and dress not specifically covered in the Student Dress Code Policy shall be within the discretion of the administration.

A Spanish copy can be viewed at the Terrell I.S.D. website at www.terrellisd.net or at each campus' main office.