



Dress & Personal Appearance



IUSD SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 5132 http://www.iusd.org/board_of_education/board_policy/adminregs/ar5132_1.htm

All students of the Irvine Unified School District shall attend school and school activities dressed in a manner that is conducive to and promotes a positive learning environment. Appropriate school dress and personal appearance are clean, are not hazardous to student safety, and do not disrupt instruction.

Appropriate dress and personal appearance at school and school-related activities shall not include clothing, attire, or accessory that by its manner of appearance, arrangement, trademark, fit or any other attribute, is unsafe; disruptive, unhealthy; obscene; profane, ethnically, racially or sexually degrading; libelous or slanderous; exposing undergarments; provocative or revealing; advocating unlawful behavior or illegal substance; or suggesting or promoting any affiliation with any street gang or other group that commits unlawful acts.

IUSD BOARD POLICY 5136.1 – GANG AFFILIATION http://www.iusd.org/board_of_education/board_policy/adminregs/ar5136_1.htm

Students who violate this policy, its regulations, or school rules adopted pursuant to this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Current examples of inappropriate dress include but are not limited to the following clothing, attire, apparel, and accessories:

CATEGORIES	EXAMPLES OF INAPPROPRIATE DRESS
UNSAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Barefoot (no shoes) ✓ Socks only (no shoes) ✓ Sagging, oversized pants/shorts (pants/shorts must fit at the waist & be held up without a belt) ✓ Necklaces, bracelets or belts with spikes/safety pins
UNHEALTHFUL and ADVOCATING UNLAWFUL BEHAVIOR or ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Displaying references to illegal or controlled substances (i.e., tobacco, alcoholic beverages, marijuana, etc.)
UNSAFE, SUGGESTING or PROMOTING STREET GANG AFFILIATION or OTHER GROUPS COMMITTING UNLAWFUL ACTS	<p>Any combination of clothing which, upon guidance from law enforcement agencies, is considered gang-related:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Bandannas, hair nets ✓ Metal belt buckles with gang-style monograms ✓ Dangling belts or chain accessories ✓ Slippers ✓ Gloves
DISRUPTIVE, PROVOCATIVE OR REVEALING CLOTHING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Clothing considered undergarments ✓ Clothing exposing undergarments ✓ Clothing exposing midriff, upper torso, etc. ✓ Halter tops exposing front or back ✓ Swim wear

LOANER T-SHIRTS MAY BE PROVIDED TO STUDENTS WHO VIOLATE THIS POLICY. INAPPROPRIATE ITEMS MAY BE SEIZED AND RETURNED TO PARENTS.

Your dress and personal appearance is certainly an individual choice. However, the Irvine Unified School District has developed a dress and personal appearance policy focusing on appropriateness in a public school setting. Your educational experience is built upon your cooperation and willingness to follow fair and equitable rules that enhance your learning. **The Creekside High School staff is committed to enforce (with reasonableness) these dress and personal appearance expectations consistently and respectfully.**

“Situations that are not of our choosing, nor of our liking, either make or break us.” Stephen Covey

Remember - YOUR CHARACTER COUNTS! Michael Josephson