



VIDOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

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DRESSING FOR SUCCESS

The school expects and even requires students to dress in a neat and orderly fashion. While dress code regulations apply to the regular school day only, the school has an obligation regarding dress and personal appearance which must not cause distraction, confusion, and/or possibly bring harm to the individual when the student is in regular attendance or at a school-sponsored function. When extremes in dress and/or personal appearance cause any of the aforementioned, the school will ask that the individual change into more appropriate attire and/or conform to acceptable personal grooming standards for the normal functioning of the school. The final decision regarding school attire and proper school grooming standards is left to the discretion of the school personnel. The following guidelines are offered and are subject to revision throughout the school year.

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:

APPROPRIATE DRESS

Pants Styles: Pants/jeans should be without holes and properly hemmed no longer than the bottom of the heel.



All pants will fit and be worn at the waist. The cuff will not be wider than a foot and must not have excessive pockets, buckles, or straps.

Carpenter style pants are acceptable.

Capri style pants must come to mid-calf.



Shirt Styles: Shirts will have sleeves, an appropriate neck-line and be long enough to tuck in without showing the midriff and/or back when arms are raised. Shirts will be neat and clean and will be buttoned except for the top button.



Dresses/Skirts Styles: Dresses and skirt lengths will be at or below the knee cap.



INAPPROPRIATE SCHOOL WEAR

The following standards are unacceptable and appropriate action will be taken:

- Any apparel that has been deliberately mutilated (i.e. holes in jeans)
- Inappropriate patches, pictures, symbols, writing, slogans, or quotes-either attached to or painted on clothing
- Shorts and skorts (exceptions for physical education classes and extra-curricular practices and activities)
- Trench coats
- Boys wearing earrings
- Any visible body piercing (includes tongue rings and spacers)
- Tattoos (must be covered at school)
- Clothing that desecrates the flag; advertises narcotic, alcoholic, or tobacco products; contains sexual references
- Leggings worn as pants
- Caps or hats in the building (may be worn outside the building in an appropriate manner, not backwards)
- Billfold chains
- Slippers (shoes must be worn at all times)
- Pajamas / pajama-like pants or sleepwear



GROOMING

Hair should be neat, clean, well groomed and of natural color.



Boys will be clean-shaven and sideburns should be no longer than the bottom of the ear.

Girls should be neat in appearance. Make-up, jewelry, and accessories must be appropriate.



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 will be assigned to in-school suspension 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.

This document is provided as a summary of standard dress for students in secondary schools. Students are responsible for reviewing the latest version of the Standard Dress Policy in its entirety, which can be found in the Student Code of Conduct or online at www.vidorisd.org.