## STUDENT DRESS EXPECTATIONS

The Aldine ISD district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards.

## **Proper attire for all students**

- Apparel must be neat, clean, modest, and worn appropriately. Clothing that is obviously inappropriate
  for school activities must not be worn; the decision of the principal will determine the appropriateness
  of dress appearance.
- Shirts/blouses are to be buttoned except for the top two buttons. Zippered clothing must be closed to the same degree as buttoned shirts.
- Appropriate undergarments must be worn at all times. Exposure of undergarments for both male and female students is unacceptable.
- Clothing, makeup, jewelry, patches, tattoos, or designs on clothing must not reflect or suggest in any manner drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, vulgar language, gang affiliation, violence.
- All tops must be long enough to cover the midriff completely
- Patches worn in inappropriate places are prohibited.
- Sleepwear and/or lingerie are not permissible as outer garments.
- Muscle shirts and net shirts are not acceptable.
- Shorts, approaching the knee (fingertip length) are permitted. (Ex: Bermuda or walking shorts).
   Lycra spandex shorts of any length are not permitted. (Ex: biking shorts.) Tight shorts of any material are prohibited. Boxer shorts, as outerwear, are not permitted.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. Flip flops, slides, stiletto heels, house slippers, and shoes with cleats and/or skate-shoes are prohibited. Safe walking should be the guide for slippery-surfaces shoes and high heels. "Heelys' 'are not permissible.
- No non-religious headwear (caps, hats, bandanas, hoods, scarfs, etc.) may be worn at any time.
- Any noise-making articles that are distracting must not be worn or brought to school.
- Pants and shorts must be worn securely, at the proper height, around the waist. Exposure of undergarments is unacceptable. No oversized apparel is permitted.
- Frayed, cut, torn or ripped clothing cannot reveal skin or undergarments.
- Hair must be neat, clean, combed and out of the eyes. A hair style must not be distracting or interfere
  with the learning environment.
- Extreme hair styles which include hair that is dyed an unnatural color (ie. Green, purple, orange, etc) will not be permitted.
- Wigs are not acceptable as a cover-up for hair not meeting the dress code.
- Mohawks/spikes that are extreme or distracting are not permissible.
- Symbols or designs shaved into the hair must not reflect or suggest, in any manner, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, vulgar language, gang affiliation, violence, or death.
- Hair curlers and/or rollers are not to be worn at school.
- The only visible body piercing allowed is earrings for girls and boys. Piercings must not detract from or interfere with the learning environment or present a safety or health hazard. Nose studs are prohibited.
- It is not permissible to cover earrings or body piercings with bandages etc.
- Grills are not permissible.
- Clear or mesh backpacks only
- Blankets are not permissible.
- Students are discouraged from bringing expensive watches, bracelets, or other items that may be stolen or lost.

## **Proper attire for girls**

- Girls may wear dresses or blouses without a collar but cannot wear spaghetti straps, tank tops or sheer tops.
- The length of skirts, split skirts, and dresses must approach the knee, and allow one to walk, stoop, kneel and sit with modesty.
- Tube tops are not allowed.
- Sheer clothing must be worn with an opaque camisole or slip.
- Low-cut clothing is not permitted.
- No cleavage should be visible.
- Leggings/tights may not substitute for pants. Leggings may not be worn with skirts/shorts that do not adhere to the dress code.

## **Proper attire for boys**

- Facial hair is allowed, but must be neatly trimmed and groomed.
- Earrings may be worn, but must not detract from or interfere with the learning environment or present a safety or health hazard.
- Oversized shirts must be tucked into pants with no "blousing." Shirts with tails must be tucked in at all times.