Dress Code for Students

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The Quitman School Board, the administration, and faculty expect all students to dress in a manner which reflects favorably upon the efforts of the total educational community to provide the best learning experience possible for each student. Any dress or personal appearance that the administration feels are disruptive or presents a safety hazard to the instructional process will be dealt with on an individual case basis. Certain events, such as homecoming, may allow for special dress. Modifications to the dress code may be allowed by school administrators for these special occasions. QSD is not responsible for lost or stolen clothing.

Students enrolled in the District are expected to adhere to the dress code listed below.

- I. Hair shall be groomed so as **not** to extend below the eyebrows or cover the eyes.
- 2. Hair and body shall be free from obnoxious odors, clean, and neat in appearance. No grooming in class.
- 3. Shoes, sandals or boots shall be worn at all times with shoes being laced and tied. **No** cleats or shoes with wheels. (**No** shower shoes, beach shoes, or house-shoes of any kind.)
- 4. <u>PreK 5th</u>: No muscle shirts, tank tops, strapless tops, halter tops, tops with spaghetti straps, tops with low necklines or backless, or tops that expose the midriff, with hands raised above the head, shall be worn (including dresses).
 - 6th 12th No tank tops, strapless tops, halter tops, tops with spaghetti straps, tops with low necklines or backless, or tops that expose the midriff, with hands raised above the head, shall be worn. This includes dresses. Appropriate underclothing shall be worn. No clothing considered and designed as underclothing shall be worn as an outside garment. Underclothing shall not be exposed while worn underneath an outside garment. Students shall not wear sleeveless shirts.
- 5. Any style of clothing tending toward immodesty is prohibited. **No** see-through clothing shall be worn. All clothing should be of an appropriate size and fit for the student.
- 6. Picks, combs, rollers and other styling devices shall **not** be worn in the hair.
- 7. Unless prescribed for medical reasons, sunglasses are **not** allowed in the building.
- 8. **No** hats, caps, head scarves, bandanas, wrist bands, hairnets, or shower caps, stocking caps or do rags are allowed on campus or in the building. Toboggans and hoods on shirts or sweatshirts may **not** be worn on the head inside the buildings.
- 9. Length of dresses, skirts and shorts:
 - PreK-2nd: Must come to the fingertips, when hands are held at one's side, at the shortest point of the hem.
 - $3^{rd} 5^{th}$: Must not be shorter than 3 inches above the kneecap.
 - 6th 12th: May not be more than 3 inches above the kneecap. Shorts must have a hem and not be considered cut-offs.

10. NO BODY PIERCINGS allowed, except in the earlobe.

- II. Pants/shorts with rips or holes:
 - <u>PreK-2nd</u>: Pants with cuts or holes revealing skin are **NOT** allowed.
 - $3^{rd} 5^{th}$: Pants with cuts or holes revealing skin are **NOT** allowed.
 - 6th-I2th: Pants/shorts with rips or holes above the knee are NOT permitted.
- 12. Overall straps and suspenders shall be fastened and worn over the shoulders.
- 13. Leggings, jeggings, yoga pants, and skin-tight pants/jeans or biking shorts:
 - PreK-2nd: May be worn with shorts, skirts, or tops that meet the appropriate length (see #9 above)
 - $3^{rd}-5^{th}$: May be worn with shorts, skirts, or tops that meet the appropriate length (see #9 above)
 - 6th- 12th: Are not permitted.
- 14. Pants should be worn appropriately at the waist. Sagging pants will **not** be tolerated. Pajama pants are **not** permitted. Pants with writing across the seat are prohibited.
- 15. Students may be required to wear a belt at the Administrators discretion. Any color belt may be worn and must have a prong/pin buckle and has to be buckled at all times.
- 16. Students with tattoos may be requested to keep them covered.
- 17. Clothing with suggestive, vulgar, violent, indecent, or disruptive slogans/pictures is **not** permitted. Clothing advertising alcoholic products or drugs is **not** permitted.
- 18. A student shall **not** wear any clothing or present himself/herself in a manner (such as cuts in the eyebrows, one pants leg or sleeve rolled up) that would identify him/her with a gang or any other illegal activity. Further, a student shall **not** wear any clothing advertising gang-related signs, colors, or written gestures.
- 19. Wallet chains, trench coats, duster style coats and dog tags are **not** allowed.
- 20. Sweatpants, warm-ups and athletic shorts:
 - <u>PreK-5th</u>: Sweatpants, warm-ups, and athletic shorts may be worn by PreK-5th graders **only**.
 - 6th-12th: No sweatpants, athletic shorts, or warm-ups.