

Dress Standards.

The purpose of establishing dress standards is to provide an educational atmosphere where students can feel comfortable in striving to achieve their potential. Proper dress and grooming greatly affect the attitudes and behaviors of our students. Just like when parents go to work, there is a standard of dress that is acceptable and that which is not. Dress should never interfere with the learning environment of our school or prove hazardous to the safety of students. Disruptions caused by immodest, unsafe, unclean, or inappropriate dress styles cannot be tolerated in an educational setting. As such, we encourage and expect all students to be mindful of proper dress and grooming habits by:

1. Wearing clothing that is clean, modest, and in good repair.
2. Wearing clothing that is safe and appropriate for school.
3. Wearing proper footwear ie... that which protects your feet from harm.
Heelies are not allowed.

It is our desire that this clarification will not place any undue burden on students or parents, but will help to clarify the policy and reinforce standards that exhibit modesty and support mutual respect and safety for everyone at Settlement Canyon Elementary School.

Students will be expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and neatness of dress. Proper hygiene care and clean clothing will be encouraged for everyone. Hair should be worn to conform with good grooming standards. Learning to comply with this dress standards policy is an integral part of each student's education.

At Settlement Canyon Elementary School, we want to insure safety, mutual respect, and a positive school climate for all students and the entire school community. Therefore, the following articles of clothing are considered inappropriate at our school:

1. Hats, visors, bandanas, or sunglasses inside the school building.
2. Pajamas and slippers.

3. Bare-midriff tops, halter tops, spaghetti-strap tops, or tube tops.
4. Shorts, skirts, dresses worn any higher than mid-thigh length.
5. Apparel that poses a concern; baggy pants that can conceal dangerous items or that shows under-clothing.
6. Spiked clothing or jewelry, wallet chains, neck and wrist bands and chains that could cause choking or harm to others.
7. Gang-related clothing and/or apparel.
8. Clothing that depicts or suggests criminal or illegal activity, or violence.
9. Clothing with obscene or suggestive images, or messages.
10. Apparel, jewelry, or accessories that advertise or advocate alcohol, drugs, or tobacco.
11. Clothing that depicts disrespect toward any other race, culture, religion, or gender.
12. Clothing that is in need of repair... cut, ripped, torn, or mutilated.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance.