



GONZALES ISD

NORTH AVE. 6TH GRADE CENTER

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Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

The district prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, and obscene, that advertise tobacco products, alcoholic beverages of any kind, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under school policy. It prohibits any dress or grooming that, in the principal's judgment, may reasonably be expected to interfere with normal school operations.

The dress code applies any time a student is on campus during a normal school day and any time a student is involved in an event or extra-curricular activity that represents Gonzales ISD. Co-curricular and extra-curricular uniforms will be specified by the sponsors of organizations and approved to meet GISD Standard of Excellency by the campus principal.

The district's dress code teaches grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, and minimizes safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- **Clothing**

- Shorts must be mid-thigh in length. Dresses and skirts must 3 inches above the knee. Shorts, dresses and skirts must be appropriate for the school setting. Decency when sitting shall be a prime factor in determining appropriateness for the school setting.
- Miniskirts, tight shorts, and cut-offs are not acceptable. Wind shorts, nylon, athletic, or wind pants are acceptable grades PK – 4 only. Leggings/tights are allowed **only** when wearing a shirt that is mid-thigh length, and under dresses or skirts of appropriate length. Biker shorts may not be worn; including jean shorts that are tight and rolled up. Boxer or spandex shorts are not acceptable as outer wear and must not be visible.
- PK-12 Gonzales Apache spirit shirts, brand name t-shirts, athletic shirts, appropriate college shirts, and school organization shirts may be worn.
- PK-4 students may wear t-shirts and shirts that depict caricatures (examples: Winnie the Pooh, Cinderella, clowns, balloons, flowers, etc.); however, shirts may not depict inappropriate caricatures (dragons, snakes, swords, etc.).
- All clothing that shows undergarments is unacceptable, including clothing with conspicuously low necklines and/or low backs.
- Clothing such as undergarments, muscle shirts, halter-tops, cropped shirts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, and clothing that shows a bare midriff or cleavage.
- Clothing that displays violence, obscenity, tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under policy FNCF (L), is prohibited.
- Any other attire that disrupts the educational process as determined by a school administrator is prohibited.
- Students may wear CYFL Apache jerseys and cheerleader uniforms on Fridays during football season.
- Additional dress code guidelines are required by D.A.E.P. , PACE and the Athletic programs. They may be obtained from the campus principal.

- **Footwear**

- House shoes, distracting, slides or unsafe shower shoes (beach type) will not be allowed.
- Cleats may not be worn in any school building. Shoes with built-in skates or wheels (healies) are not permitted in any building unless wheels have been removed.
- Bare feet and metal taps are not acceptable.
- Primary and Elementary aged students are required to wear closed toe shoes to support safety during P.E. and recess activities. If wearing sandals of any kind, please send closed toe shoes for these age groups.

- **Hair**

- Hair and facial hair must be clean and groomed.
- Any hairstyle, which by its appearance causes a disruption of any kind, as determined by a school administrator, is unacceptable.

- **Accessories**

- No student on school property or at any school activity shall wear, possess, use, distribute, display or sell clothing, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbols, tattoos, sign or other things, which are evidence of membership or affiliation in any gang.
- Students shall not be permitted to wear hats, caps, sunglasses, sweatbands, or other disrupting apparel in any building on campus during school hours.
- The school, advisor, or sponsor of any specific activity or function may impose additional guidelines.
- Students may wear only one earbud during passing periods. Classroom expectations are at teacher discretion.

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 may 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.