

West Gate K-8

Dress Code

2019-2020

We encourage students to take pride in their attire as it relates to the school setting. Students are to dress in a manner that, in addition to the following guidelines, takes into consideration the safety, health, and welfare of self and others, and does not disrupt the learning environment. **Appropriateness of dress shall be determined by the school administration** per Governing Board Policy. If there is a dress code violation, he/she will be allowed to change clothing and/or will be subject to disciplinary action.

Dress Code Appropriate

Collared Shirts, blouses and t-shirts

- ✓ Patterned and solid collared shirts are permitted.
- ✓ All shirts must have sleeves and no more than 2 buttons unfastened.
- ✓ West Gate T-shirts are permitted Monday-Friday.
- ✓ College/Military Shirts are permitted on Wednesdays.

Shirts do not need to be tucked in while on campus.

Pants/Jeans/Capris- Pants/jeans must be securely fastened above the hip bone. Shorts must extend beyond the fingertips. Leggings are allowed only when worn under fingertip length skirts or dresses. Joggers are allowed, but only the approved style and fabrics shown on the West Gate home page. Pants, shorts, skirts, and leggings may be patterned. ***Belts are optional unless the pants fall below the hip.***

Skirts, Skorts, Shorts and Dresses Shorts, skirts, and dresses must extend beyond the fingertips or longer. Dresses may be patterned and have an appropriate V-neck or scoop-neck, however cannot be revealing. Dresses do not have to have a collar; however, they must have sleeves and be loosely fitted.

Shoes- must be closed toe with back straps. Heels must be 1 inch or less. PE: Tennis shoes/sneakers must be worn during Physical Education class.

Jackets/Sweatshirts/Sweaters -

Properly fitting cardigans, sweatshirts, sweaters, and solid color/West Gate pullovers/hoodies are allowed.

(Out of dress code outerwear must be put in book bag when entering a classroom or building.)

A collared shirt or West Gate t-shirt must be worn underneath all outerwear.

Jewelry: Earrings and studs can be worn on the ears only. All other jewelry is permitted but must not pose a threat to health or safety.

Head Attire: Headbands (non- distracting) must be worn on top of head and not on forehead.

Book Bags: Book bags in any color with or without wheels are permitted.

Not Permitted

Hats (unless outside for recess or PE)
Spiked jewelry or chains on clothing
Sunglasses unless administrative approval is given.
Inappropriate make-up (i.e. gothic and punk)
Items made of spandex, excessively tight, see-through, or fishnet material
Sweatpants or yoga pants
Clothes that have holes, rips, or tears
Clothing, school bags or accessories that promote drugs, tobacco, alcohol or violence are not permitted.
Pajamas or house slippers
Kerchiefs, caps, hats, bandanas, doo-rags, sweatbands, or similar items. Combs or hair accessories that resemble a weapon are not allowed on campus.
Hoods are not to be worn on the head.
Overized clothing items including pants, sweaters or pull-over sweatshirts or hoodies

Disciplinary Action/Consequences

The following may occur in any order as determined by the disciplinary officer.

- Verbal warning and opportunity to correct dress code
- Parent contact
- Conference with administration
- Lunch detention
- Loss of privileges
- Confiscated items

**Repeated violations could result in more serious consequences as outlined in the student code of conduct.*

Due to rapid changes in our society, it may become necessary to modify the dress code or to include additional items at the judgement of administration.

****State Law – Each student is prohibited from, while on school grounds during the regular school day, wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or in a manner that disrupts the orderly learning environment. A student who violates this dress policy will be subject to progressive disciplinary actions as outlined by the Code of Conduct.**