

Dress and Grooming

Student dress creates a sense of unity, professionalism, and discipline for the scholars and for the school. Wallace Middle School's dress code is established to teach grooming, hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Our campus values and needs the support of parents in upholding the district and campus dress and grooming guidelines. The student and his/her parent(s) may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards provided that the student's dress and grooming:

Bottoms

- Must be no shorter than the tips of the fingers when the arms are naturally beside the body
- May not be overly tight, suggestive, or revealing.
- Pants must be of an appropriate size and not “sagging” or below the natural hip line.
- No torn, frayed or ripped pants revealing visible skin in any area above the tips of the fingers when the arms are naturally beside the body

Tops

- Midriffs and lower backs must not be visible while standing or sitting.
- Shoulder straps shall be a minimum of the width of two fingers of the person wearing the garment.
- Clothing must not be revealing or low-cut.
- Clothing must not portray, advertise, or suggest obscenity, profanity, violence, sex, racism, tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or gang activity.
- Undergarments should not be directly visible under outer clothing.
- Onesie PJs are not permitted to be worn at school
- No gang-related attire will be permitted. For enforcement purposes, gang-related attire may be identified by specific colors or manner in which clothing is worn. Administration shall work with Campus SRO to identify gang-related attire and shall communicate to students and parents what attire is considered gang-related in school and community.

Shoes

- Platforms and heels are discouraged.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Not Permitted: House slippers, skates or any type of metal, plastic, or rubber devices attached to the soles or other parts of the shoes, which might cause damage to floors or create disturbances, are not to be worn.

Head wear

- Hats, hoods on hooded sweatshirts, may not be worn during instructional, passing periods, or while in the building (with the exception of religious headwear).
- Any item (*i.e., clothing, binders/folders, device covers, backpacks, and athletic/band lockers*), must not portray, advertise, or suggest obscenity, profanity, violence, sex, racism, tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or gang activity.

