

Louise ISD Dress Code

Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

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:

Females:

- Dresses and blouses must be of the type that is not suggestive. Backless, tank tops, and strapless shirts/dresses will not be permitted. Sleeveless shirts are allowed but straps must be at least the width of a dollar bill. The neck opening of a shirt should not be any lower than your armpit level.
- Skirts, dresses, and shorts length shall be no shorter than 3 inches (3x5 note card) above the knee. Shorts must be the same length all the way around.
- Pants, Jeans may not have holes any higher than the width of your hand (3x5 note card) above the knee. Tights, leggings and spandex jeggings are permitted if worn with school appropriate shorts, skirts, or dresses over them. All pants must be worn at the waist—no sagging. No pajamas, unless for a designated day.
- Proper undergarments are an essential part of proper attire and must be worn and not seen.

Males:

- Appropriate shorts may be worn. The length of these no shorter than approximately 3 inches (3x5 note card) above the knee cap.
- Pants should not sag to expose any underwear or any part of the anatomy below the waistline. Pants should fit at or above the natural hipline. Baggy pants will not be permitted. Jeans may not have holes any higher than the width of your hand (3x5 note card) above the knee. No pajamas, unless for a designated day.
- Shirts do not have to be tucked in; however, shirts that have a tail (defined as button down shirt with the scoop tail) must be tucked in. In addition, shirts that are longer than the wrist must be tucked in. Oversized shirts cannot be worn out.
- Shirts must have a sleeve. No tank tops may be worn. The neck opening on any type of shirt may not exceed the equivalent of the first button below the collar button of a dress shirt. Appropriate clothing, including shirts must be worn at all times on the campus and at any school sponsored events.

Hair:

- Hair shall be clean and well groomed. It will be styled in a manner that will keep it out of the student's eyes and does not obstruct one's vision.
- Extreme hairstyles are prohibited. No unnatural or bizarre colors will be permitted. No mohawks. No designs cut into hair or eyebrows. No hair picks.
- BOYS – your entire face must be clean shaven at all times. Sideburns must not extend below the bottom of the earlobe.
- BOYS – hair of male students should be kept in a neat, clean, and frequently trimmed style. Boys shall wear conventional haircuts, which are to be understood as no lower than the eyebrows, not extending below the earlobe, and not touching a standard dress shirt collar. The hair length will be determined by length when pulled or combed straight down (hair curled up or swooped to the side does not exempt students from the hair policy). "Man buns" are not allowed nor are head bands/sweat bands.

Jewelry:

- Earrings worn anywhere except the ears are prohibited for all students.

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- Earrings may not be worn by male students.
- Band aids may not be used to cover earrings.
- Studded and spiked jewelry (eg. Dog collars...) is prohibited on campus
- Mouth grills worn over a student's teeth are not permitted.
- Pocket/wallet chains are not permitted.

Shoes:

- Students in grades PreK – 5 must wear shoes that are manufactured and designed to be securely fastened to the foot across the top of the foot and at the heel.
- Heels are not appropriate for the playground or PE.
- No flip flops or backless sandals will be worn.
- Bare feet or slippers/house shoes are not acceptable.
- Any shoes with wheels are not allowed on campus.

Outerwear:

- Caps, hats, beanies, etc. are not allowed to be worn inside buildings
- Sweat bands and bandanas are not allowed
- Students may not wear hoods up (jackets or sweatshirts) inside the school building.
- Students may not wrap-up or “wear” blankets in lieu of a jacket or coat.
- Shirts must be in compliance with the dress code. Wearing a hoodie or jacket over an inappropriate shirt does not excuse the attire.

Other:

- Any other attire that disrupts the educational process as determined by a school administrator is prohibited.
- Anything that the administration deems as possibly gang related is not allowed.
- Clothing with vulgar, indecent, gang related, suggestive slogans or pictures shall not be permitted.

Additional guidelines may be imposed by the school, advisor, or sponsor of any specific activity or function.

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.