

**ALVIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELEMENTARY**

**DRESS AND GROOMING 2010 – 2011 School Year**

Alvin Independent School District has established a standardized code of dress to teach good grooming and hygiene, instill discipline and modesty, demonstrate respect for authority, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and provide a successful learning environment. Appropriate dress and grooming standards promote responsibility and self-esteem, thus fostering a sense of community for all students in their present and future interactions. (See Standardized Dress Code following this section).

**A. I. S. D. Dress and Grooming Standards**

Alvin ISD sets as standards the following expectations:

- Students should come to school bathed and free of body odor.
- Clothing should be washed and cleaned.
- Hair should be neat and clean.
- Appropriate undergarments should be worn and not visible.

**GROOMING**

**Hair**

- Hair should be of a natural color. Colors should not be extreme. (No pink, orange, green, etc.)
- Extreme hair styles such as carvings, mohawks, spikes, etc. will not be allowed.
- Boys may wear their hair not to exceed a length touching the top of the shoulders.
- Mustaches, beards, or goatees will not be allowed.
- Sideburns will not extend past the bottom of the earlobe.
- Eyebrows will not be carved/notched.
- Tattoos must be covered.

**Accessories**

- Boys will not be allowed to wear earrings. Earrings may NOT be covered.
- Girls may wear a maximum of two earrings in each ear.
- Body piercing jewelry and/or accessories will not be allowed.
- Heavy chains or accessories with spikes or studs will not be allowed.
- Any accessory that may cause injury will be prohibited.

**Make-up**

- Extreme make-up will not be allowed (such as black lipstick, black eye shadow, black nail polish, etc.)
- Boys may not wear make-up.

**Headwear**

- Caps and hats will be allowed outside the buildings if worn appropriately and for the intended purposes.
- Bandannas will not be allowed.
- Sunglasses or sunshades are not to be worn in the building.

**Dress Code**

Apparel with inappropriate writing, inappropriate drawings, or inappropriate advertisements, to include but not limited to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, violence, prison activities, gang activities, sexual innuendoes, cultural divisiveness, racial intolerance may not be worn.

### Clothing

Pants or shorts will be appropriately sized and worn at a natural waistline (No sagging or bagging.) Thin cotton sweat pants, (thin, T-shirt material), biker or spandex shorts, wind shorts, short shorts, and cutoffs will not be allowed. Custom-ripped jeans will not be allowed. Hems of shorts, skorts, culottes, skirts, or dresses will be no shorter than the top of the kneecap. For the primary and elementary level, no short shorts or short skirts will be allowed (the standard will be the tip of the longest finger). All secondary students are required to wear belts with pants or shorts that have belt loops. Belts are required for grades 2 and up. If the shirt is too short to be tucked in, it does not meet dress code requirements. Shirts will be appropriately sized and buttoned. Halters, strapless garments, tank tops, mesh/see-through tops and clothes that expose the midriff or back will not be allowed.

Coats, jackets, and protective weather garments should be worn as appropriate to the environment.

Students must wear shoes. Thongs or beach sandals are not acceptable unless they have a back strap.

**Any item of apparel or grooming issue that creates a problem on the campus may be cause for disciplinary action. If need arises, this dress code is subject to change with appropriate notification.**

Consequences for violations of the dress code will be outlined in the Student Code of Conduct. The dress and grooming code applies to any student while attending a school sponsored or school related activity on or off of school property.

#### **All shirts must be tucked in.**

**\*\*Interpretation Guideline: The following items of clothing are not considered as shirts and are not required to be tucked in to the student's clothing under this guideline: Short sets (for primary and elementary students only), sweaters, and vests that are designed to be worn out may be worn in that manner.**

## DRESS CODE

### INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Standardized Student Dress Guidelines 2010 – 2011

**Purpose:** The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline and modesty, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and provide a successful learning environment. Appropriate dress and grooming standards promote responsibility and self-esteem, fostering a sense of community for students in their present and future interactions.

The provisions for the dress and grooming code shall be enforced equally for all students. If a student is not in compliance with the standardized dress code, he or she will be asked to make appropriate corrections. Repeated offenses may result in disciplinary action as stated in the Student Code of Conduct.

Students are required to be in compliance with the standardized dress code on the first day of school. New students to the district must be in compliance within 2 weeks after their enrollment. The standard of dress will be as follows:

#### **Shirts**

Four types of shirts may be worn:

- A solid colored polo-style, collared shirt.
- A solid colored turtleneck or mock turtleneck.
- A solid colored button-front dress shirt or blouse with a collar.
- A school spirit shirt that has been approved for the school.

Any solid color shirt may be worn to school. A solid color shirt must have a solid color collar of the same color. Logos or insignias on the shirt or shirt pocket are allowed – the logo or insignia must not be more than 2 square inches or front of shirt, collar, or sleeve. An example of the 2 inch square logo or insignias can be viewed at the district's web site under dress code. Shirts must be appropriately sized; no tight fitting or oversized garments are allowed. Shirts and blouses may have short or long sleeves. Sleeveless shirts may not be worn. All shirts/blouses must be long enough to completely cover the midriff at all times and must be tucked into the pants, shorts, etc., so that the top of the belt loops are made visible. **Shirts may NOT have any contrasting or coordinated camisoles, undershirts, accents or different colored collars that show.**

All spirit shirts must be approved each year by the principal prior to going on sale to the student population.

**Pants, Shorts, Skorts, Skirts, Jumpers, Bib Overalls:** The general requirements for all pants, shorts, skirts, jumpers and bib overalls are as follows:

- **Color** - Solid black, navy, or khaki (tan or beige).
- No athletic shorts or pants.
- **Size** - No oversized items. Baggy, saggy garments will not be acceptable. Pants, skorts, skirts or shorts must be worn at the waist. Tight-fitting slacks, skirts, skorts, or shorts are not acceptable.
- **Belts** - For 2nd grade and up, belts must be worn with any garment that has belt loops.
- **Hems** - May not be frayed or cut. Pants cut on the inseam must be hemmed.

#### **Length**

- Shorts, skorts, skirts, jumpers, and bib overalls must be knee length. **No Jeans, Sweat Pants, Wind Pants, Leather, or Spandex of any color are allowed.** Pants or shorts with oversized pockets are not acceptable for school.

#### **Shoes - Footwear**

- *Primary/Elementary* – Backless shoes, flip-flops/thongs, or shoes with wheels may not be worn to school. (These shoes are not allowed due to safety concerns.) Students must wear shoes with socks or tights. Only sandals may be worn without socks or tights. (Socks/tights may be any solid color. Shoes may not have a heel of more than 1 ½ inches high. Shoes will be tied or secured properly.

#### **Jackets, Sweaters, Vests, Sweatshirts**

- Cold weather coats or jackets for outside: In cold weather, jackets or coats may be worn to school. Coats may be worn in the building. Trench coats are not allowed.
- Sweaters, vests, sweatshirts or pull-over hoodies for inside: Solid colored vests, sweatshirts, hoodies, and sweaters in any solid color may be worn over a school-approved, collared shirt.
- Sweaters, vests, sweatshirts, and pull-over hoodies must be a solid color. Only a maximum of a 2 inch insignia may be on a sweater, vest, sweatshirt or hoodie.
- No oversized jackets, vests, sweaters, or sweatshirts may be worn. Oversized shirts are not considered jackets.

Any attire deemed distracting, lewd, offensive, or otherwise inappropriate by school administrators will not be allowed. No clothing may be sheer or see through.