

Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

All Dress and Grooming deemed by the Forestburg ISD Administration to be inappropriate or distracting to the educational process is prohibited. This includes ALL SCHOOL EVENTS.

Regarding Hair, the following are Prohibited:

- **Facial hair**; students should be clean shaven at all times
- **Boy's Hair**; hair extending below the top of the collar, over the eyebrows or below the bottom of the ears (including sideburns)
- Drastic or unnatural hair color
- Ornaments entwined or braided in the hair such as feathers or beads
- Hair cut in stripes (regardless of the length of hair remaining) razor cuts or designs

Regarding Clothing, the following are Prohibited:

- Shirts/blouses short enough to expose the midriff when the student's arms are raised
- Mesh or see-through blouses
- Low cut blouses, *unless worn with a camisole visible above the neck line and sufficient to cover cleavage*
- Extremely revealing or tight fitting clothing
- Tank tops or muscle shirts
- Clothing that reveals undergarments or is made in a way to look like an undergarment
- **All house shoes**
- Pants with holes above the knee, including patches, frayed areas, and frayed areas with patches
- Leggings and Jeggings are not allowed without a dress of appropriate length worn over them; **dress must be no shorter than a dollar bill width, held horizontally (2 ¾ inch) above knee**
- Writing across the back of pants
- Sagging or excessively baggy pants

- Shirts with arm holes wide enough to expose either undergarments or the chest area
- Pajamas, sweatpants, athletic pants or wind suits (*On game days, students may wear team issued wind suits.*) **Elementary PK-6 may wear sweatpants or wind suits during the school week.**
- Visible tattoos
- All clothing, bags, backpacks, purses, or any student's possession displayed with distracting, inappropriate, suggestive, negative, or distasteful words, phrases, or images. These include but are not limited to: **drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, satanic symbols, profanity, daggers, or images depicting or promoting violence.**

Shorts and Skorts

- May be worn during the **first and last 9 weeks** only and **must be no shorter than a dollar bill width, held horizontally (2 ¾ inch) above knee**
- Capris will be allowed but must extend 2 inches below bottom of the knee to be considered “capris” and not “shorts”

Dresses and Skirts:

- **Must be no shorter than a dollar bill width, held horizontally (2 ¾ inch) above knee**
- If skirt has a split, **split must be no higher than a dollar bill width, held horizontally (2 ¾ inch) above knee**

The dress and skirt rule applies to any and all awards ceremonies, UIL events or school programs.

Regarding Accessories, the following are Prohibited:

- Piercings other than ears
- No ear gauges
- Hats or hoods in the building
- Fidget Spinners
- Pillows or blankets

Dress code should be followed at school and at all school activities including athletic events, academic contests, and any other activity in which the student is a representative of the school.

- *Administration has the final say on what is appropriate and acceptable. If a student is out of code they will be asked to change into proper clothing.*

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.