

# RRISD STUDENT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

2006 - 2007

- (1) Hair is to be of a natural color, clean and well groomed, and styled so that vision will not be obstructed. Beards and mustaches must be kept clean and neatly trimmed.
- (2) School clothing is to be in good taste, clean, neat, and styled for school wear.
- (3) Dresses, skirts, shorts, and pants shall be of such length as not to be distracting. Starting in the third grade, these items (when worn as the outer garment) shall extend at least to the tip of fingers when arms are held straight at the side. Slits in outer garments must comply with required dress code length.
- (4) All shirts shall be of such length as to not be distracting. All shirts when worn as the outer garment:
  - a. shall be of such a length that is capable of staying tucked while walking, sitting, or with both arms held directly overhead. Exposed midriffs are not acceptable.
  - b. shall be of a length that covers the shoulder from the base of the neck to the tip of the shoulder.
  - c. shall be such that when the palm of your hand is placed on your collarbone, it also touches the shirt.
  - d. shall be designed in such a manner as to cover all undergarments including the sleeve line and neckline.
- (5) Some type of sandal or shoe must be worn at all times.
- (6) Hats or headgear shall not be worn inside the school building.
- (7) Experience indicates that the following types of apparel can be reasonably forecast to disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from the learning environment and therefore **River Road ISD students shall not wear the following to school or school-related activities:**  
  
athletic shorts    pajamas    cut-offs    tights    biker shorts  
  
items made of see-through materials  
  
jeans or pants that have un-patched holes above the knee

apparel or accessories with designs or writings with reference to drugs, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, sex, obscenity, suicide, death or violence, racist or ethnic slurs, bawdy, salacious or sexually suggestive messages

apparel containing writing or images that brings unnecessary attention to a student's backside.

- (8) Tank tops or "basketball jerseys" may be worn with a T-shirt underneath.
- (9) Wearing either identified gang apparel or wearing clothing in a gang-style (i.e. "sagging") as identified by law enforcement agencies is prohibited.
- (10) All waistbands of dresses, skirts, shorts and pants must be secured at the waistline.
- (11) Jewelry for all students is prohibited if the jewelry is determined to be a distraction to the learning environment.

No set of guidelines can take into account every possibility. The cooperation of parents and students is requested. Each campus reserves the right to modify the dress code to allow for special events or circumstances (i.e. Hat Day, Jr/Sr Prom, organization dress or uniforms, etc.)