

## 2020-2021 Flour Bluff Elementary Dress Code

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Dressing and grooming standards are considered an essential part of the educational process. All students are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly in clothing suitable for school activities.

The school has the right to ask a student to change his/her dress or personal grooming habits if it is deemed inappropriate or disruptive to the educational environment. Repeat violations of the dress and grooming code shall be considered defiance of authority and may result in disciplinary action as described in the Student Code of Conduct.

Administrators will make the final determination as to what constitutes appropriate attire. Parents who have difficulty providing clothing or shoes for their children should contact the campus counselor for assistance. Exceptions to the dress code for extracurricular activities, special dress days, supervised physical activities, and on school picture days will be determined by the principal. Medical exceptions shall be made upon certification from the family physician of the student.

**The campus principal** has the final authority to determine whether a student's dress is within requirements of the campus dress code. The principal's judgment will determine whether any items of dress, mentioned or not mentioned, in the campus dress code will be considered inappropriate school attire.

The dress code is found in the campus handbook and on the district website at [www.flourbluffschoools.net](http://www.flourbluffschoools.net).

### **Standardized Dress Requirements at Flour Bluff Elementary**

In an effort to teach expectations for dress at ages where students generally begin selecting their own clothing and where students tend to mature physically, a standardized dress code has been implemented.

#### **Pants/Shorts/Slacks/Jeans/Denim/Skirts/Dresses/Skorts/Leggings:**

- Students may wear **solid colored** jeans, slacks, pants, polyester athletic pants, leggings, shorts, skirts, skorts or dresses.
- Female students are encouraged to wear shorts or tights under skirts/dresses
- Short/skirt/dress length **must be as long, or longer than**, the student's middle finger when hands are placed flat against the student's thighs while standing.
- When wearing leggings, shirt tail must be long enough to cover the student's backside when standing
- Polyester athletic pants and/or athletic shorts may have a stripe down the pant/short leg
  - **Fleece sweatpants are not permitted**

- Sleeves on dresses must be more than a dollar bill's width; no spaghetti straps or sleeveless (if worn for special school functions)

**Shirt Styles:**

- Shirts may be **short or long sleeved**.
- Collared, buttoned, or snap-up **solid colored polo-style** shirt
- Button-up or snap-up **solid colored oxford-style** shirt
- **Solid colored t-shirt (no pictures/advertisements on t-shirt)**
- **Spirit Shirt** - Flour Bluff I.S.D. / Hornet themed t-shirt / sweatshirt
- **If a hoodie is worn throughout the school day, a school appropriate shirt must be worn underneath it.**

**Shirt Requirements:**

- Shirts must be long enough to cover the midriff when hands are raised above the head while the student is seated
- **NOT** appropriate for school wear, if worn alone:
  - Muscle shirts / tank tops (**may be worn only under approved shirt styles**)
  - Tops with thin shoulder straps (**may be worn only under approved shirt styles**)
- **NOT allowed:** Backless, see-through, short, cut-out tops and/or strapless attire

**Dress Code Requirements for All Clothing:**

- Any article of clothing that displays illegal activities, alcohol or drug slogans or other suggestive or inappropriate designs, including, but not limited to, those that promote (suggest) sex, violence, or anti-social behavior or do not promote positive behavioral expectations will not be allowed. All clothing must be appropriate for the school setting.
- All clothing and shoes must be appropriately sized for the individual; not oversized or excessively baggy.
- Clothing must be in contrasting colors (**i.e., No black on black, red on red, blue on blue, camouflage on camouflage, etc.**)
- No low cut fronts, cutouts or cleavage showing
- Revealing or tight-fitting apparel is not appropriate.
- Clothing are to be free of holes or frays.
- Pajamas are not allowed.
- Beachwear is not allowed.
- Undergarments must not be visible.
- No trench coats, oversized jackets, or oversized coats are permitted.

**Facial Mask/Shield:**

- Must be worn at designated areas and may not be shared with others.
- Any designs on masks must be appropriate for the school setting.
- Face shields must be clear.

*Hair:*

- Hair must be clean, trimmed and kept out of the eyes.
- No arrangements/designs/styles that are distracting to the educational environment.

*Shoes:*

- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- All shoes must fit appropriately (securely and appropriately fastened).
- It is beneficial for the students to wear tennis shoes or sports shoes to activities such as P.E. or recess.
- Closed-toe and closed-heel shoes are strongly encouraged at grades PK-6, due to safety and outdoor activities.
- Strapless shoes/flip flops are **not** allowed.
- Platform, high heel or stacked sole shoes more than one-inch-high are not permitted.
- Steel toe shoes/boots are not allowed.
- Shoes with wheels connected are not permitted.
- Bedroom slippers are not allowed.

*Accessories:*

- Beads, earrings, armbands, wristbands, or other items, which symbolize anti-social group membership will not be worn. This includes spiked rings, other spiked jewelry, wallet chains, or gang related jewelry.
- Head coverings (**i.e., hats, caps, hoods, etc.**) will not be worn or displayed at any time on campus during the school day unless the student is participating in a school-sponsored outdoor activity. When permitted, hats must be appropriately sized and will not be worn sideways or backwards.
- Oversized necklaces will not be permitted (**i.e., dog chains, large chains**).
- Bandanas are not allowed.
- Jewelry on teeth or in the mouth are **not** permitted.

*Body Markings/Tattoos/Earrings/Piercings/Make-Up:*

- Students will not be allowed to display tattoos while in school dress (must be covered at all times).
- Earrings and studs may be worn **only** in the ears. **\*\* NO** other body piercing is permitted.
- Make-up must not be distracting in color, design and style.
- Writing/marking on any visible part of the body is not acceptable.

