

Trailside Dress Expectations

DRESS CODE

It is important at Trailside Middle School that we provide an atmosphere where learning can flourish and the security and dignity of each person is protected. The primary responsibility for proper attire and grooming of students rests with the parent of each student. However, the school has the responsibility to see that students do not present a health or safety risk to themselves or other students. The attire and grooming of students should not prevent them from performing regular required school activities and should not cause a disruption of the orderly functioning of school. **The more casual the attire, the more casual the attitude toward school.** With this in mind, the following guidelines will be in effect at Trailside Middle School:

Do	Don't
Wear tops that cover shoulders, midriff, chest area, back, and underarms.	Wear clothing that is degrading or offensive toward other genders, cultures, religions, occupations.
Wear pants that cover your underwear. Shorts and skirts should reach mid thigh.	Wear clothing that depicts pornography, alcohol, drugs, tobacco, violence, cult/gang activities, or contains offensive or inappropriate language.
Store jackets, coats, pullovers, backpacks, and hats in your locker upon arrival.	Wear gang related articles/colors or dress, such as bandanas, chains, headbands, rolled up pants, or jewelry.

Extracted in part from the LCPS School Board Policy:

Student Dress – Pursuant to School Board Policy §8-33,

All students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. Any clothing that interferes with or disrupts the educational environment is unacceptable. Clothing with language or images that are vulgar, lewd, discriminatory, or obscene, or clothing that promotes illegal or violent conduct, the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia, or clothing that contains threats is prohibited.

Clothing should fit, be neat and clean, and conform to standards of safety, good taste, and decency. Clothing that exposes cleavage, private parts, the midriff, or undergarments, or that is otherwise sexually provocative is prohibited. Examples of prohibited clothing include, but are not limited to: shorts that do not extend beyond the thumb-line (approximately a 4 inch inseam), tights, leggings, yoga pants, sagging or low-cut pants, low-cut necklines that show cleavage, tube tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, backless blouses or blouses with only ties in the back, hats, studded belts, chain belts, clothing constructed of see-through materials, and head coverings unless required for religious or medical purposes.

Parents or guardians of students requiring accommodation for religious beliefs, disabilities, or other good causes should contact the principal.

Students not complying with this code will be asked to cover the non-complying clothing, or change clothes. Repeated infractions will result in disciplinary action.

Meets Trailside Dress Expectations



Does Not Meet Dress Expectations



Jacket



Hat



Weapons



Undergarments showing



Midriff exposed



Undergarments exposed