

School-Wide Dress Code

From the San Ysidro School District Positive Discipline Plan

SCHOOL UNIFORM GUIDELINES

School uniforms promote an environment of learning and help instill school pride. Use of appropriate attire enhances the educational process by emphasizing academics, achievement, and dignity. Complying with the uniform policy also allows school officials to better monitor a safe and secure school environment.

- Uniform shirts will be navy blue, light blue or white polo/golf style shirts (short or long sleeves with a collar) or shirts that button down the front with a collar. No emblem, logo, decoration, or decorative trim.
- Spirit shirt/club shirt may be worn on day/s determined by the school administrator.
- Navy blue and khaki pants, skirts, shorts, skorts, or jumpers must be uniform style and color.
- Shorts and skorts must measure (front and back) no shorter than three inches above the knee and no longer than mid-knee. Skirts and jumpers must measure no shorter than three inches above the knee.
- Belts should be black, brown, navy blue, or khaki with no emblem, logo or decoration and must be worn with slacks and shorts that are designed to have belt loops. Belts must be visible and worn around the waist.
- Appropriate shoes must be worn and not include thongs.
- Sandals are not allowed

Acceptable outerwear for classroom is limited to include:

- Sweater, sweater vest, sweatshirt, and light jacket. During class time, jackets are to remain open, not zipped or buttoned. Colors for classroom outerwear include khaki, navy blue, gray, and white.
- Heavy coats and jackets worn to and from school and/or outdoors are not restricted, but recommended to colors of navy blue, white, khaki and hunter green.
- No head wear shall be worn on campus

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All students shall abide by the following:

1. Hair and physical appearance shall be clean and neatly groomed. Aerosol cans of any kind are not permitted at school, i.e., hair color, hair spray. No excessive makeup is allowed.
2. Shoes must be worn at all times. For safety purposes, sandals must be held in place with heel strap. Steel-toed shoes, skate shoes and slippers are not permitted. Cleats are not permitted except as required for athletic/sports purposes.
3. Lettering or printing will be allowed on shirts, sweatshirts, jewelry, personal items (backpacks, fanny packs, gym bags, water bottles, etc.) and other apparel as long as it is acceptable for school attire. Crude or vulgar printing or pictures depicting tobacco, drugs, alcoholic beverages, gang-related names or symbols, or those that are sexually suggestive are not allowed. Site administration reserves the right to declare unacceptable any item of clothing, printing, or accessory depicting any logo that has been identified to be gang related (including sport team jerseys), per site policy.
4. Pant size must be appropriate. The fullness must not interfere with the normal school activities. If the student removes the belt, pants must not fall more than two inches below the hipbone. The crotch should

not drop lower than the fingertips of the extended hand. The length of the pant should not extend past the heel of the shoe. When side seams are pulled out straight and then are crossed to the front, the edge of the pants should not cross the mid-point of the leg.

5. All clothing shall be within the bounds of decency and good taste as appropriate for school. Garments shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times. Night clothing (pajamas) and slippers are not to be worn to school.
6. Dresses, skirts and shorts shorter than mid-thigh are prohibited.
7. No garment may be worn that is cut-off, ragged, torn or with holes, even when no skin is visible.
8. No "see through" or "fish net" type of blouse or shirt may be worn. Students must wear shirts at all times. No muscle shirts, undershirts, tank tops, halter-tops, off-the-shoulder or low-cut tops; or bare midriffs are permitted.
9. No hoop earrings shall be worn larger than 1 inch in diameter, which is about the size of a quarter.
10. No gang-related apparel.

Physical Education: Coaches and teachers may impose more stringent dress requirements to accommodate the special needs of certain sports and/or classes.

1. No hoop earrings of any size, or any hanging jewelry shall be worn during physical education classes.
2. No grade of a student participating in a physical education class shall be adversely affected if the student does not wear standardized physical education apparel because of circumstances beyond the student's control. (Education Code 49066)

The Principal, staff, students and parents/guardians at each school may establish reasonable dress and grooming regulations for times when students are engaged in extracurricular or other special school activities.

At least six months before a school uniform policy is implemented, the principal or designee shall notify parents/guardians of this policy. (Education Code 35183) Parents/guardians shall also be informed of their right to have their child exempted.

Wearing of Shorts: Students may be allowed to wear Bermuda shorts, walking shorts, or shorts of this type within the following guidelines:

1. Shorts must be hemmed and straight legged.
2. The length of the shorts must be within the bounds of decency and in good taste as appropriate for school.
3. The shorts length should not be shorter than the end of the extended fingertips.
4. Short shorts are not to be worn at school. Shorts that do not meet these criteria are not allowed. Tops worn with shorts must adhere to the guidelines previously stated.

Colors: Students shall not wear clothing or apparel identified by school personnel as "colors." The term "colors" is defined as a display by the wearing or placement of apparel by a group of students, or an individual student, which would signify the membership or intent of membership in a student group known to advocate or participate in disruptive or illegal behavior.

Students violating any part of this dress code at the beginning of the school will be issued one warning. At the second warning at the beginning of the year, or the first warning after school has been in session for two weeks the student will be sent to the locker room to change into their physical education clothing, if necessary. The third violation of the same nature will result in the student being referred to the principal for discipline.