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SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENT DRESS CODE 2015 - 2016

“Dress for Learning” is a first step toward maintaining the safety of students within our school and community and enhancing the learning process.

Apparel and grooming must not inhibit participation or cause disruption in any phase of the instructional program. Casual clothing is recommended for school except for special “dress-up” occasions. Tennis shoes are essential as students do not change for P.E. and feet need to be protected. Students may wear sun-protective clothing (Education Code 35183.5) including, but not limited to, hats while outdoors. In order to assist us in maintaining an effective learning environment and to keep the focus of the classroom on learning, **the following attire is appropriate for students attending our Saugus Schools:**

- Jeans, cords, denims, slacks, simple dresses, skirts, and shorts (finger-tip length) shirts, T-shirts, blouses, and sweatshirts
- Tennis shoes with flat, non-skid soles – socks are to be worn at all times

The following attire is inappropriate for students:

- Oversized and baggy clothing, cut-offs (i.e. - shirts, pants, jeans, tank tops with oversized armholes, pants are to fit around the waist and not drag on the ground)
- Clothing with inappropriate language or advertisements, or any reference to alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or gangs
- Gang related clothing (i.e. – long belts, trench coats, chains, chain wallets, caps worn backwards, etc.)
- Tube/halter tops, spaghetti strap tops/dresses, off-the-shoulder shirts
- Bare midriffs or revealing tight-fitting shirts and shorts
- Undergarments which are not covered by clothing
- Sandals, Jellies, open-toed shoes, sling backs, platform shoes, backless shoes, cleats, and shoes with retractable wheels
- Expensive and long dangling jewelry, especially earrings, that may pose a safety hazard
- Make-up or tattoos
- Unusual hair color (i.e. – purple, green, blue, etc.)

Personal belongings such as MP3 players, hand-held video games, toys, roller footwear, tape recorders, trading cards, roller blades, skateboards, utility tools, pocket knives, laser pointers, etc. may not be brought to school.

Students may possess but not use on school campus during school hours, personal electronic signaling devices unless permitted by a school staff member. Devices must not disrupt the educational program or school activity and may never be used for illegal or unethical activities, such as cheating on assignments or tests.

Student dress and grooming must be safe, clean, modest, and conducive to educational pursuits. When children are dressed according to proper guidelines, safer conditions exist for everyone. These guidelines will be strictly enforced. If a child comes to school dressed inappropriately, a letter will be sent home to notify the parent/guardian. The letter must be signed and returned to school the following day. If a child dresses inappropriately a second time, parents will be called to bring in a change of clothing. School staff will determine appropriateness of children’s attire.