

DUARTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
2017 - 2018 Standardized Dress/Uniform Requirements

Duarte Unified School District's dress guidelines have been established to reinforce a safe and productive learning environment for all students.

The guidelines outlined below apply to students in Grades TK-5 attending Andres Duarte Arts Academy, Beardslee Academy, Maxwell Academy and Royal Oaks STEAM Academy as well as students in Grades TK-6 attending Valley View Elementary School.

Pants/Shorts:

Color: Navy, Khaki

Style: Properly hemmed and must not be worn more than one size too large. Shorts should be just above or below knees. If wearing shorts, socks are worn below hemline.

Fabric: Cotton, blends of wool, polyester or cotton or corduroy. No jeans or sweats.

Note: For safety reasons, belts that are too large are not to be worn.

Jumpers/Skirts/Skorts:

Color: Navy, Khaki

Fabric: Cotton, blends of wool, polyester, cotton or corduroy. No denim.

Note: Jumpers, skirts, skorts must be at least fingertip length and no longer than mid-calf.

Shirts:

Color: White, Light Blue, Navy, Khaki

Style: Plain polo or knit turtlenecks, short or long sleeves; oxford shirts or blouses.

Fabric: Cotton, cotton/polyester blend.

Note: All shirts and blouses must have collars and sleeves. Shirts must also cover the waist and the top of pants/skirts, etc.

Shoes:

Style: Closed toe and closed heel shoes.

Note: For safety reasons, heels of shoes must be flat.

Sweaters/sweatshirts:

Color: Plain colors including white, navy, light blue or khaki are recommended and preferred.

Style: Cardigan, crew neck and V-neck sweaters, sweatshirts.

Note: Must be worn no more than one size too large.

Jackets and coats are not subject to uniform colors.

Each school determines when specific spirit clothing (shirts/sweatshirts) may be worn.

All issues surrounding the enforcement of the dress policy shall be referred to the site administrator.

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2017-2018 DRESS AND GROOMING STANDARDS, GRADES *6-12

Duarte Unified School District subscribes to the philosophy that all students have a right to quality education in a safe, secure environment. Students' appearance should be neat, acceptable and in keeping with the activities. The staff at each school is committed to providing a school that is free from the disruptive influence of any group or gang that advocates drug use, disruptive behavior, or other illegal activities. In this regard, certain types of clothing and attire that have potential to cause a disruption of school activities will be prohibited.

Apparel, hats, jewelry, bandanas, insignia, colors, or paraphernalia that indicate an affiliation with a group or gang which may provoke others to act violently or be intimidated by fear of violence may not be possessed or worn on campus or at school activities. The nature of this clothing, apparel, and paraphernalia that are not appropriate for school will vary from time to time and may change from year to year.

The school administration will determine the nature of this clothing that is not appropriate for school in consultation with local authorities.

In recognition of our instructional responsibilities and goals, the following specific rules relative to dress and appearance of students will be strictly enforced and applies to all students in Grades 6-12 at all Duarte Unified schools with the exception of students in *Grade 6 at Valley View Elementary who will adhere to the district's standardized dress/uniform requirements.

1. Clothing or articles of clothing or jewelry, which may provoke others to acts of violence or be used as weapons including but not limited to wristbands, oversized belts, belt buckles, chains, and any other gang-identified items are prohibited.
2. Clothing and jewelry shall be free of writing, pictures, and any other insignia or indications which are profane, obscene, sexually suggestive, or which advocate racial, ethnic or religious prejudice, tagging, gambling, violence, the use of drugs or alcohol, or any other illegal or unsafe activity.
3. Only unaltered, official district hats/caps or medically/religiously required hats, as approved by the school administration, are allowed. **HATS SHALL NOT BE WORN IN ANY CLASSROOM.**
4. Shoes must be worn at all times.
5. Pants must fit properly at the waist. Sagged pants, cut offs to the knee, and/or split pant cuffs are not permitted. Plain white t-shirts are prohibited except for during physical education classes. Shirts should also fit properly. Socks pulled up higher than the bottom of the shorts are not permitted.
6. Clothing shall not be provocative and shall conceal undergarments at all times. See-through or fishnet fabrics, tube tops, and bare midriffs are prohibited. Shorts or skirts shall not be higher than the students' fingertips when hand is pressed to the side of the leg.
7. Other inappropriate clothing or accessories, determined by the school administration to disrupt the safety or detract from the educational process, include hairnets, sock caps, scarves, and du-rags.

In order to comply with our policy and avoid dress code violations, parents are encouraged to provide guidance in the student's selection of appropriate dress.