

# High Desert School

## DRESS CODE

Dressing appropriately for school enhances the success of both the individual student and the school. Although the primary responsibility for the appearance of students rests with the parents and the students themselves, the school has an obligation to require dress that does not disrupt educational and campus programs and complies with sound health and safety practices. Both boys and girls are expected to comply with the following High Desert School dress code. Dress code will compliance will be checked during homeroom. If a student wears inappropriate clothing to school, he or she will contact parent to bring a change of clothing and/or PE clothes will be worn. Students may have their original clothing back when the borrowed clothing is returned clean to the office.

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1. All clothing will be neat and clean, free of holes, tears, patches, split seams, and modifications, including P.E. clothes. P.E. clothes are to be worn in P.E. classes only. PE sweatshirt only may be worn as it is an optional clothing item.
2. Appropriate undergarments will be worn and not visible (i.e. bra straps, underwear, and boxers)
3. The following styles of blouses or shirts are **NOT** permitted:
  - Shoulder width of the shirt under 3 inches wide**
    - \*Multiple layers of shirts may be worn, but the visible layer must be 3 inches wide.
    - \*No visible spaghetti straps.
  - fish net tops or other “see through” styles, “off the shoulder” styles including tube tops
  - midriff tops** that expose mid-sections at any time. The procedure to determine appropriate length is fully extending both arms above the head, if any mid-section is exposed, it is inappropriate. Sexually revealing clothing is not permitted.
  - tank tops/sleeveless (boys)
4. Shorts, skirts, and dresses will be, when kneeling, no less than 9 inches from the floor.
5. Shirts must be no longer than fingertip length. Any shirt longer than this must be tucked in.
6. Pants and shorts will be worn **above the hipbone**. Pants that do not stay above the hipbone without a belt are too large. Sagging, dragging pant legs and exposed undergarments are not permitted.
7. Clothing, jewelry and other items with slogans or pictures depicting or promoting, drugs, sex, profanity, obscenities, racist groups, or gangs are not permitted. Wallet chains, neck chains, spiked and/or studded attire that can pose a safety issue are not permitted.
8. The state law requires that students wear shoes at all times. For reasons of safety, open-toe, open heeled, and high heeled shoes are not permitted. **All shoes need to be laced tightly.**
9. Hats will be worn with bills forward and only **outdoors**. Sunglasses are permitted on campus for **outdoor** use only.
10. Writing on oneself or others is not permitted.

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**Modifications to this dress code will be made as necessary to resolve new campus concerns or to prevent future campus problems. Final decision will be determined at administrative discretion.**

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