

## ***Menard Elem./Junior High Dress and Grooming 2014-2015***

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- Clothing containing offensive slogans, symbols, alcohol and/or tobacco advertising, and other suggestive or controversial designs is not allowed.
- Startling, unusual, or immodest attire of any sort shall not be permitted. This includes, but is not limited to, fads in hairdos, clothing, or anything designed to attract attention to the individual or disrupt the orderly conduct of the classroom or campus.
- Holes in jeans, shorts, or pants will be no more than three inches above the knee. (Tape over holes will not be allowed.)
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses will be no shorter than three (3) inches above the knee for grades 6-8. For students in PK-5, shorts, skirts, and dresses must be an appropriate length.
- Shirts, slacks, jeans, and shorts which are too tight or too short to prevent ease of movement, comfort, or modesty when the wearer is seated are not to be worn. This includes hip-hugger pants.
- Form-fitting, stretch clothing such as biking shorts, body suits, leotards/tights, etc. must be worn appropriately.
- Skirts, dresses, shirts, or shorts worn over tights will not be shorter than three (3) inches above the knee. For students in PK-5, skirts, dresses, shirts, or shorts worn over tights must be an appropriate length.
- Caps and hats, including other headwear, may not be worn in the buildings. If they are worn outside, they must be worn to the front not to the side or backwards. Confiscated headwear will be returned at the discretion of the teacher and/or principal.
- Bandanas worn in any way are not allowed.
- Gloves may not be worn in the building.
- Chains that could be used as weapons may not be worn.
- Face paint is not allowed.
- Designer baggy pants or oversized pants are prohibited.
- Tattoos will be covered at all times.
- Underwear, undershirts, and bras will not show.
- Pajamas will not be worn.
- All clothing, shoes, and accessories are to be worn as they are designed to be worn.

- Shoes must be worn at all times. (No house shoes)
- Any extreme body piercing that is visible or brought to attention is prohibited.
- Fishnet or see-through shirts are prohibited or must have a top under them that fits the 3 finger rule. Bras will not show.
- Cut out/cut off shirts are prohibited.
- Earrings are not to be worn by male students.
- Male students are to be clean-shaven.
- Athletic clothes may only be worn on game days (ex. team warm-ups).
- Haircuts of faddish, unusual, or of a distracting design or not of a natural color are prohibited. Males' hair may not extend over the eyebrows; nor shall males' hair extend below the top of the collar of a normal dress shirt; nor shall males' hair extend over the earlobe. Sideburns are to be kept trimmed and will not extend below the lobe of the ear. Sideburns will also be the same width from top to bottom. Females' hair may not cover the eyes. Hair must be well groomed.
- Students in PK-5 may not wear make-up or fake fingernails except on special occasions approved by the principal.
- Flip-flops and other sandals that do not fit snugly on the child's foot are not allowed for pre-k and kindergarten students for safety reasons.

The following are also prohibited: clothing designed with bare midriffs, low cuts, off the shoulder tops, halters, bare backs and/or shoulders, spaghetti straps, or cut off shorts. (Exception: Pre-k and kindergarten students may wear spaghetti straps.)

All shirts for male students will have at least a cap sleeve. (The point of the shoulder must be covered by the sleeve.) All shirts for female students must adhere to the three finger rule. (Exception: Pre-k and kindergarten) Shirts, blouses, dresses, etc. will not show the midriff, and **low-cut attire** is prohibited. Shirts are to naturally touch the waistline and will cover enough of the body so that the midriff and back area are completely covered.

Students who violate the dress code policy shall expect to be sent home, made to change, have their parents/guardians notified, and/or face disciplinary action, all of which will be left to the discretion of the campus administrator.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student will be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.