Largo Middle IB World School

Largo, FL The School District of Pinellas County

Largo Middle IB World School Dress Code 24-25

Apparel that disrupts educational activities and processes of the school will result in the removal of the student from the regular school environment until acceptable apparel can be secured for the student. The administration will be the final judge about whether a student's clothing is appropriate for school or whether it will create an environmental climate that is distracting to learning. Principals, faculty, and staff members will enforce the dress code. Failure to comply with the dress code will be handled similarly to other disciplinary infractions. Noncompliance may result in consequences including but not limited to detention, in-school suspension and loss of eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities. We adhere to the PCSB Dress Code Policy with modifications:

- A. All clothing must be appropriately sized, securely fastened and cover midriff, back, sides, and all undergarments at all times. For example, suspenders should be over the shoulders, pants secured at the waist, belts buckled, no underwear as outerwear, no underwear exposed. Hooded clothing may not be worn on a student's head during the day.
- B. Clothing must cover the body from one armpit across to the other armpit and down to mid-thigh. All tops must have sleeves and cover the entire shoulder.
- C. Rips, holes, or tears in clothing cannot be above the knee. Any rips, holes, or tears above the knee must be covered.
- D. See-through, revealing, or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meets the minimum requirements of this dress code.
- E. Gang paraphernalia, garments and/or jewelry, tattoos, or other insignias, which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco-related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- F. Clothing must not state, imply, or depict hate speech or imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, or any other characteristics protected by federal or state law or Board policy.
- G. Any articles of clothing or jewelry that may cause injury including, but not limited to, items with spikes, or sharp objects, wallet chains, and heavy link chains are not allowed.

- H. Students must wear shoes that are safe and appropriate for the learning environment. Inappropriate footwear includes, but is not limited to, roller skates, skate shoes, and bedroom slippers.
- I. Form fitting leotard/spandex type clothing is not allowed unless proper outer garments cover to midthigh length, both front and back, or longer. The form fitting leotard/spandex type clothing must go to the knee.
- J. Clothing and footwear traditionally designed as sleepwear shall not be worn.
- K. Head gear, including but not limited to, caps, hats, bandanas, sweatbands and/or sunglasses shall not be worn indoors on campus unless permitted by the principal for religious or medical reasons. Students may wear sunglasses, hats, or other sun-protective wear while outdoors (PE) during school hours, however these articles must not violate this dress code.
- L. Individual schools are expected to use the state and district dress and grooming guidelines as minimum standards; any adjustments may be made upon approval of the School Advisory Council (SAC). The principal at each school reserves the right to determine what appropriate dress is for the school as detailed in these minimum standards.