Bell Elementary Dress Code

Bell Elementary School follows the Tyler ISD dress code policy.

DRESS AND GROOMING

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:

This dress code will be strictly enforced.

The campus administration, with input from the Campus Performance Objectives Council (C.P.O.C.), may implement a stricter dress code for their campus, and may render clothing worn by a student inappropriate. All students are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly in clothes and accessories that are appropriate for school activities. The District discourages the wearing of expensive jewelry and other apparel and is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Any article of clothing, jewelry, body decoration, or hair style extreme enough to create a distraction or disturb the normal routine of school shall be deemed inappropriate. Final decisions on the appropriateness of school dress rests with the campus administration. Teacher/coaches/sponsors may define appropriate dress for school-sponsored trips and extracurricular activities. Examples of inappropriate and unapproved choices of clothing, jewelry, body decorations, or hair-style include:

1. Hats, caps, or other headgear, except outside in cold weather.
2. Tank tops or low cut clothing (neck or underarm).
3. Clothing that exposes bare midriffs, i.e., crop tops.
4. Exposed body piercing jewelry.
5. Bare feet with no shoes.
6. Excessive or distractive makeup.
7. Obscene language or symbols, provocative pictures, advertising of tobacco, alcohol, or narcotics on clothing, jewelry, or exposed body parts.
8. Symbols on clothing or jewelry that would distract or cause undue attention.
9. Racially related symbols, emblems, pictures, words, or slogans.
10. Exposed tattoos.
11. Mohawks are not allowed as well as gang symbols, words, numbers, or slogans cut into hair (provocative and inappropriate). Hair feathers are also not allowed.
12. Exposed undergarments.
13. Dark glasses (unless prescribed by a physician).
14. See-through, provocative, or excessively tight clothing, i.e., spandex tights, shorts, or pants and excessively tight dresses or skirts.
15. Excessively torn clothing, i.e., jeans.
16. Clothing worn in a manner for which it was not intended, i.e., backwards, inside out.
17. Any accessory, clothing article, haircut or style deemed gang related as determined by the school administration.
18. Dresses, skirts, all split garments, and shorts that are not long enough to maintain dignity and modesty.
19. Un-hemmed shorts and jeans.
20. Cutoffs, wind shorts, short shorts, boxer shorts, P.E., athletic or jogging shorts, bicycling shorts or pants.
22. Flip flops

A good rule of thumb...if you are questioning whether or not your child’s attire is appropriate for school, it probably is not.

**PERSONAL POSSESSIONS:** Please label all personal belongings with the child’s first and last name. Items of value should not be sent to school. Electronic devices, toys, etc. are not acceptable at school and will be confiscated. If an item is confiscated, parents will be required to come to school to retrieve it.