CUSD strives to promote the safety and welfare of its students. The Board of Trustees has adopted student dress and grooming standards. They require students to wear clothing that does not compromise their safety or modesty and that does not disrupt the learning environment. A student is in dress code violation when an adult staff member (e.g., campus supervisor, administrator, teacher, etc.) sees the student violating the student dress and grooming standards. The offense, and subsequent consequence(s), does not change because a student is able to alter his/her clothing after they have been found in violation.

Students are NOT to wear the following:

**Any Clothing/Apparel Which:**
- Is considered unsafe, dangerous, or a health hazard (i.e., torn, frayed clothing, excessively long or baggy clothing)
- Contains offensive or obscene symbols, slogans, or words degrading any gender, cultural, religious, or ethnic values
- Contains language or symbols oriented toward violence, vandalism, sex, drugs, alcohol, or tobacco

**Any Attire Or Grooming Disruptive To The Educational Environment Which May Include, But Is Not Limited To:**
- Sheer/see-through articles of clothing
- Spaghetti straps, razorback, halter, tube or strapless tops, tops/dresses with straps less than 2” wide (One layer must have strap at least 2” wide. These tops may not be worn under sweatshirts, which may be unzipped or taken off on warm days)
- Bare midriff (Shirts **must** cover the waistband **while seated** without having to be pulled down)
- Short skirts/shorts (Shorts/skirts **must** extend past extended fingertips when arms and hands are placed at sides and shoulders are resting naturally)
- Tight or revealing clothing, shirts/tops with scooped necklines, backs or sides, or any pajama type clothing
- Extremes in hairstyles, unnatural colors, colored hair gel/spray or curlers.
- Hoods, hats, bandanas or any head covering
- Hoop earrings should not exceed 1.5 inch in diameter
- Painting or marking on faces, arms, hands, legs. No stick-on skin tattoos
- Bare feet, slippers, open toed or flip-flop style sandals (all shoes must have a strap)
- Clothing with rips, tears or revealing cut-outs
- Clothing which allows undergarments to be exposed (baggy pants/shirts/blouses/razorback)
- Pants, shorts, and t-shirts are to be size appropriate
- Pants are to be worn above the hips and waist size should be within 2” of waist
- Pant length must be above the ground without frayed cuffs
- Inappropriate symbols or drawings on backpacks, notebooks, or personal belongings
- Clothing, apparel or accessories which are a distraction to the educational environment

**Gang Related Apparel Which May Include, But Is Not Limited to:**
- No clothing with gang style “Old English” lettering
- Nazi/Confederate symbols, patches, red shoelaces
- Chains including wallet chains
- Webbed belt buckle with stamped letter
- Monikers or other gang markings
- Jewelry with gang symbols - swallows
- Spiked rings, bracelets or long earrings
- Students who dress alike intentionally, the dress is not related to school activities, and are disrupting the school environment
- Straight Edge 'X' markings
- Below knee pants with above calf white socks
- Combat-type boots with more than eight eyelets on a side, steel toe shoes, or flight jackets worn concurrently with combat boots
- X3, OC, Orange County, OC w/ a star, SJC, South Side Raza, SSR, Old Town, swallows, 22
- Khakis worn with Pendleton-type shirts
- Gang-related overalls, socks cannot be worn closer than 6” from the bottom of the shorts
- Untied or dangling belts
- Bracelets or belts with metal or metal-like studs
- Trench coats of any color
- Any combination of clothing which law enforcement agencies currently considered gang related. (These may change and the school reserves the right to add unacceptable attire during the school year.)

Local schools are granted the authority to establish school-based dress and grooming standards, which may change as necessary. Principals make every attempt to work with teachers, students, and parents in the establishment of any such local standards. These standards were reviewed and approved by a committee of students, parents, and staff.

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