



PROSPECT INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

DRESS CODE POLICY

INTRODUCTION

The manner in which Students dress for school influence behavior in learning. Students are expected to come to school dressed in a manner that assures adequate modesty. Student's DRESS THAT CAUSES DISRUPTION OR LEADS TO UNSATISFACTORY BEHAVIOUR IS NOT APPROPRIATE AND IS NOT TO BE WORN.

1. DRESS CODE

All students are expected to present themselves in an orderly manner, conducive to the advancement of education. Appearance should be neat and acceptable. Items that are disruptive or could cause situations that would diminish the safety of students will be prohibited. Apparel, hats, jewellery, bandannas, insignias, colors, or paraphernalia that indicate an affiliation with a group or gang which may provoke others to act violently or be intimidated, may not be possessed or worn on campus or at school activities.

Clothing, apparel, and paraphernalia, which denote gang affiliation and are not appropriate for school will vary and may change from year to year.

Students are expected to wear their own natural hair colour.

Students are expected to wear or display the following:

- 1.1 Clothing that covers undergarments, midriff and buttocks (both males and females).

Shoes are to be worn with socks at all times.

- 1.2 Well-groomed hair and neat haircut.
- 1.3 Only one earring per ear is allowed for girls and no dangling earrings.

Students should **NOT** wear, display or be in possession of:

- 1.1 Boys are prohibited from wearing earrings or any body piercings.
- 1.2 Hats, bandanas, wave caps or any other form of headwear that is not school issued apparel.
- 1.4 Hoods are not to be worn in classrooms, at school assemblies or during activities
- 1.5 Any form of gang related attire or any cult related apparel of any kind with accompanied inscription.
- 1.6 Overly brief garments such as tube tops, halter tops, strapless, off-the-shoulder, fishnet or see through garments.
- 1.7 Sagging pants with the buttocks exposed revealing underwear or athletic shorts, letters or numbered belt buckles and oversized belts. Bib overalls with the straps unbuckled, pyjamas, slippers or sleepwear.
- 1.8 Spiked jewelry of any kind or long chains including earrings or other body piercing.
- 1.9 Any clothing or appearance that is considered unsafe, lewd, indecent, Provocative, obscene or disruptive.
- 1.10 Emblems, lettering or pictures pertaining to gang, drug, tobacco, alcohol, sex, death, mutilation, violence or a gang's "silent code." This includes but is not limited to any symbols that law enforcement considers to be drug related including notebooks, backpacks and student's own property kept in backpack or pockets.
- 1.11 No designed parts on haircuts.

- 1.12 Emblems, lettering or pictures which are crude, vulgar, profane, sexually suggestive or offensive, alcohol, or tobacco promotions (includes but not limited to: notebooks, backpacks and student's own property kept in backpacks or pockets).
- 1.13 Emblems, lettering or pictures which advocate gender, racial, ethnic, sexual orientation or religious prejudice (includes notebooks, backpacks and student's own property kept in backpacks or pockets).
- 1.14 Hair lengths or styles which substantially disrupt interfere with or distract the orderly conduct of the educational process or the learning atmosphere of the school or classroom.
- 1.14 Sunglasses are not allowed except medically advised.
- 1.15 Tattoos are prohibited.
- 1.16 Makeup is prohibited.
- 1.17 No nail polish is allowed.

Dress Standard Definitions

The term "baggy pants" means the waistline of the pants, located at the hipbone of the student when pulled and pinched will gather more than one inch of material. Properly fitted pants will not gather more than one inch of material. Pant/trouser leg should not be baggy regardless of position of waistband.

The term "sagged pants" means the waistline of the pants is located below the hipbone of the student. Or that the crotch hangs away from the body regardless of position of waistband.

With the pants correctly worn the crotch of the pants will not hang away from the body. Properly fitted pants incorrectly worn (below the hipbone) are "sagged pants." Violation of the dress standards will result in parent contact by school personnel, confiscation of the article, or sent home to change clothes and correct the violation.

This information contained in this packet and in The Student Planner is the only “warning” students will receive. Repeat offenses will result in suspension from school. Students and parents should continue to use good judgment when choosing their school clothing. Clothing must meet dress code guidelines even if received as a birthday or holiday gift.

Confiscated articles are not the responsibility of the school if they are lost or stolen.

Parents or guardians can pick up confiscated items from the front office. Any item not claimed within 3 months from date of receipt, will be discarded.

3. VIOLATION OF THE DRESS CODE

3.1 First Offense: Warning and change of clothing. The parent will be called to bring change of clothing before the student is permitted in class.

3.2 Second Offence: Detentions.

3.3 Third Offence: Internal or External suspension.

N.B: Parents must pick up all confiscated clothing