Heights High School

Dress Code

2021-2022

Dress Code: The faculty and staff of Heights High School expect students to come to school each day dressed appropriately to ensure the health and safety of everyone on campus. Students are to present themselves dressed appropriately, according to the dress code, *at all times, both on campus and while representing Heights High School at school-related activities.* The following guidelines include, **but are not limited to,** what is considered appropriate dress for all Heights High School students.

NOTE: Apparel or accessories that depict gangs, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, profanity, sex, violence, death, any illegal or inappropriate acts or other design/s deemed inappropriate or distracting to the educational process will NOT be allowed.

• **Shirts/Tops:** Students may wear any color collared, button-down, polo, pull over, sweatshirt or T-shirt. Shirts **DO NOT** have to have the Heights HS logo or club/organization information on them.

• Sweatshirts may have hoods, but hoods may NOT cover the head while on campus, either inside or outside the building.

 Shirts and tops must be worn in such a manner that does not allow cleavage or mid-riff to be exposed and must not be so sheer as to allow undergarments to be visible.

• No crop tops, strapless, or spaghetti strap tops are allowed.

 $_{\odot}\,$ No muscle T-shirts or shirts that expose the majority of the chest and underarms.

 \circ No pajama tops or other shirts that are not intended to be worn in public.

• Pants/bottoms: Students may wear any color pants as long as the following applies:

• Pants must fit appropriately at the waist and inseam (no sagging pants).

o Skirts, shorts, skorts must be of appropriate mid-thigh length

 $_{\odot}\,$ Athletic attire may be worn, as long as garments meet the additional criteria for pants and shirts.

• Pants may not have rips above mid-thigh that show the skin.

 $_{\odot}\,$ Yoga pants or leggings may be worn as long as they are thick enough NOT to expose the skin or undergarments.

 \circ No pajama bottoms or other pants that are not intended to be worn in public.

• Undergarments:

• Students must always wear appropriate undergarments.

 $_{\odot}$ Undergarments must **NOT** be visible underneath clothing. T-shirts or undershirts are permitted underneath dress code approved shirts.

• Headwear:

 $\circ~$ No bandanas, skull caps, do-rags or hoods may be worn at any time on campus, unless approved by the administration for medical or religious reasons. (see cold weather provision below)

 $_{\odot}\,$ Hats may be worn during cold weather outside the building only. Once inside, all hats and caps must be removed (unless approved for medical or religious reasons).

• Footwear:

 $\circ\,$ Shoes must be worn at all times on campus and all school-related events.

Tennis shoes and other closed toe designs are the preferred type of footwear.
Footwear deemed unsafe or distracting to the educational process will not be allowed.

• Jewelry and Accessories:

 $\circ~$ Sunglasses are not allowed outside or inside the campus for security reasons.

 $_{\odot}\,$ No "grills" or other mouth accessories will be allowed (with the exception of orthodontic wear).

 $_{\odot}\,$ Any jewelry deemed unsafe or distracting to the educational process will not be allowed.

• Jackets:

 $_{\odot}\,$ Jackets may be **any design and color** and do NOT have to have the Heights HS logo.

 $\circ\,$ Jackets may have hoods, but hoods may not be worn inside or outside the building.

Heights Special Dress Days: Students are allowed to wear specific attire on designated days. Students who wish not to participate in the designated Special Dress Days **MUST** be in the approved HHS dress code. All other Dress Code guidelines as far as hats, headwear and footwear still apply.

Students are expected to follow the dress code each day on campus and while attending all school-related events. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action by the grade level principal in accordance with the HISD Code of Student Conduct for level 1 and 2 offenses. Consequences will be determined by the grade level principal on a case by case basis.