



HSLJ implements a dress code to ensure that students dress for success every day of the school year in a manner that promotes professional behavior and a positive attitude towards learning. This routine reinforces for the students the importance of dressing appropriately for the world of work and their future professional endeavors. We often have a lot of community collaborators involved in Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice come to our school, and we want each student to have an opportunity to take on a role in that collaboration.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND JUSTICE 2024-2025 DRESS CODE		
ITEM	REQUIREMENTS	SOLID COLORS
SHIRTS/TOPS	1. <b>Polo:</b> HSLJ Polo 2. <b>T-Shirt:</b> HSLJ Shirt 3. <b>HSLJ Club, College, Military Branch Polo/T-Shirts on Fridays only</b>  <u>(No cut-off tops, mid-drift/abdomen must be covered)</u>	1. Navy Blue / White / Grey / Black 2. Navy Blue / White / Grey / Black 3. Any color. College/Military Branch name must be printed on shirt
PANTS	1. <b>Pants:</b> Twill/Khaki/Dickie/Docker style 2. <b>Jeans:</b> Denim jeans (Fridays only)  <u>(No rips, holes, embellishments, low-rise, rolled up, patches or frayed hems. No leggings, yoga pants or tights of any kind.)</u>	1. Navy Blue / Black / Khaki 2. Blue / Black / Khaki
SKIRTS/SHORTS	1. Knee-length shorts/skirts with no slits, <b>must not be shorter than one inch above the knee while standing.</b> (Leggings may be worn under skirts and must be <u>black or navy.</u> )	1. Navy blue / Black / Khaki
HOODIES/ SWEATSHIRTS/ SWEATERS/ JACKETS	1. HSLJ Logo/Approved club  (Hoods <b>MUST</b> always remain OFF.)	1. Navy Blue / White / Grey / Black
SHOES	1. Closed toe and closed heel. 2. <b>NO sandals, Crocs or Croc style, flip flops, slides or house shoes.</b>	1. Any color
OTHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students must have their ID Badges on daily.</li> <li><b>HEADGEAR: Religious headwear allowed. NO caps, hats, bonnets, sunglasses, bandanas, du-rags, etc.</b> Proper hygiene and grooming applicable to all students.</li> </ul>	

## **\*\*ADDITIONAL DRESS CODE GUIDELINES\*\***

### **Students are PROHIBITED from wearing the following:**

- Shirts/sweatshirts that have a logo bigger 2in x 4in in size on front and back.
- Plain non-school colors (need to be HSLJ, College/University/Military)
- Pants with rips, holes or embellishments
- Sweatpants, leggings, or yoga pants (non-pants, khakis or jeans material)
- Flannels, stripping, patterns or anything with more than two colors

### **Dress Code Violations:**

Responses to dress code violations are restorative.

- Students are given an opportunity to self-correct or get parental support when they are not following the dress code.
- Students who are unable to arrive to school in proper dress code, will be placed in I.S.S to keep students in school and doing work, but isolate them from the rest of the student body.

If you need assistance with obtaining clothes that are in the dress code policy, please fill out a student assistance form: [Houstonisd.force.com/saf](https://houstonisd.force.com/saf)

### **Additional uniform policies:**

- Shirts may not be knotted on the side or in the back.
- The hood of a hoodie must be down before entering the building.
- Students may not arrive to school wearing PE uniform, even if they have it for the first class of the day.
- Pants must fit appropriately—pants which are too baggy or too tight are not permitted. Pants cannot sag; inseam cannot hang low; pants must fit at waistline.
- Capri uniform pants (hem at mid-calf) are permitted.
- Khaki jeggings, leggings, and stretch pants are not permitted. No spandex.
- Shorts shall be no more than 3 inches above the top of the knee.
- Shorts must fit appropriately—shorts which are too baggy or too tight are not permitted. Shorts cannot sag; inseam cannot hang low; shorts must fit at waistline. Shorts cannot be frayed.
- Skirts must be no shorter than 1 inch above the top of the knee.
- Skirts must fit appropriately at the waist and may not be tight-fitting.
- Built in shorts with pleated skirts are acceptable.

### **Head coverings**

- Hats, do rags, scarves, hairnets, bandanas, and any other headgear is NOT permitted to be worn in the building and may be confiscated.
- Headbands may be worn in the building if their purpose is to hold the hair in place and they do not distract from instruction.

### **Tights/leggings**

- Tights and leggings must be a solid color without holes (no lace) and worn under skirts only.
- Socks, if worn, must be worn below the knee and can be any color.

### **Shoes**

- Must be closed toed
- Shoes must allow for SAFE movement throughout the building, including the stairs.
- Shoelaces must be tied.
- High-heeled shoes, flip-flops, slides, crocs, house shoes/slippers, platform shoes, backless shoes (including clogs or mules), sandals (including Gladiators) are not allowed.

### **Make-up, body piercings, hair color, heavy chains**

- Your appearance must not be such a distraction that it interferes with the educational process.

- Excessive make-up, body piercing other than appropriate earring(s), and hair color other than a natural shade, are not permitted. Tattoos must not be visible.
- Excessive bracelets and bracelets with metal spikes are not permitted.
- Heavy chains, dog collars, hoop earrings larger in diameter than a quarter are NOT permitted.
- Any engraving on jewelry must be appropriate. Any jewelry containing vulgar language or pictures will be confiscated and parents/guardians will have to pick it up from the main office. Any jewelry deemed gang-related by HISD will be confiscated.

### **Administrative discretion**

The administrators will determine if any issue related to student dress, including any not listed above, is a violation of the student dress code. We encourage you to make wise choices! Students in violation of dress code will receive consequences deemed appropriate by administration.