# DRESS CODE POLICY

The Kolfer Elementary School Dress Code requires neat, clean, appropriate dress and grooming. Students should be dressed in such a manner that their appearance in the school contributes to the learning environment. Trends surface quickly; therefore, the principal reserves the right to adjust the dress code should a trend be deemed inappropriate for school wear, disruptive to the learning environment or safety of the students becomes apparent.

## **GUIDELINES**

- Head accessories such as hats and caps may not be worn in the classroom unless approved by the teacher for a special occasion.
- Shorts, skirts, skorts and dresses worn above the knee must pass the fingertip test (this means the clothing item must end below the student's fingertip when the student's hands are relaxed by their side).
- Shorts or leggings must be worn under skirts and dresses.
- Leggings are permissible but must be worn with a shirt/top that passes the fingertip test (this means the top must end below the student's fingertip when the student's hands are relaxed by their side).
- All clothing and accessories must be free of profane, suggestive or provocative language and/or symbols.
- All clothing must cover entire midriff area, chest, back and top of shoulder area. Shirts must fall at or below the waistline.
- Spaghetti straps, off-the-shoulder, or halter tops are not permitted. Sleeves should be 3 fingertips in width.
- Pants must be worn at the waist.
- All clothing must be free of rips or tears.
- Students must not wear pants that create a safety hazard by design or by the way they are worn.
- Suspenders or overall straps must be worn on the shoulders.
- Accessories/clothing which is considered a safety hazard or distraction to self and/or others is unacceptable.
- Shoes must be appropriate footwear for P.E. Flip-flops and Heelys (shoes with wheels) are not allowed.

## FAQS

## MY CHILD WANTS TO WEAR THEIR FAVORITE COSTUME TO SCHOOL. IS THAT OKAY?

No, please save costumes and other accessories for designated dress up days during the school year.

## MY CHILD REALLY LIKES THEIR ATHLETIC SHORTS AND TOPS. CAN THEY WEAR THESE TO SCHOOL?

Yes, athletic wear is allowed as long as clothing follows the above guidelines.

### CAN MY CHILD WEAR PAJAMAS TO SCHOOL?

No, please save pajamas for designated dress up days during the school year.

### WILL WE HAVE DRESS-UP DAYS WHERE THE ABOVE (COSTUME/PAJAMAS) IS ALLOWED?

Yes, we will continue our tradition of designated dress up days during the school year with fun themes for Red Ribbon Week, spirit week, and other times during the school year.

#### WILL WE HAVE FREE-DRESS DAYS?

No, we will not have free dress days beyond the already relaxed dress code guidelines.

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