

Brackett ISD Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels) 2025 - 2026

Placing Safety and Learning Environment First

Brackett ISD's Student Dress Code is in place to maintain a safe, respectful and positive learning environment and to model good citizenship.

General Guidelines

All clothing should be appropriate to the student's age, the school setting and weather conditions. Both students and parents share the responsibility for the student's attire because clothing often sets the pattern for behavior. Students are required to use good judgment, to respect themselves and others, and to demonstrate modesty in selecting attire. Clothing must adequately cover the body and fit properly. Students are prohibited from wearing any form of dress, hairstyle, or accessory identifying him or her with a gang or violence. Clothing may not advertise, condone, depict or promote the use of alcohol, tobacco or drugs; also prohibited is clothing with vulgar or obscene language, or symbols. Students shall be dressed and groomed in a clean and neat manner. Cleanliness of the body is expected of all students. The district prohibits any clothing or grooming that causes disruption or interference with normal school operations or educational settings. The use of cell phones is prohibited so therefore should never be allowed on the student (ie: pockets of hoodies, pants, jackets, etc).

ID Badges

Student ID badges must be worn around the neck on a lanyard at all times during the school day while on campus. Badges are used for students to get into the school buildings, checking out library books, to purchase a cafeteria meal and for identification purposes. Badges are a requirement for all students. If lost or broken students are required to replace it, which is a \$5 fee.

<u>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</u> – If an individual chooses to wear a face covering for medical reasons, documentation must be provided and the mask must be compliant with BISD dress code guidelines and it must only cover the nose and mouth portion of the face. An individual will not be able to cover the entire face unless it is with a clear face shield.

<u>Footwear: (boys and girls)</u> Shoes should be worn at all times, should fit properly and be worn properly without causing any safety issues. Shoes be appropriate for school. Excessive heels

(stilettos), steel-toed shoes, slippers and any other footwear deemed inappropriate by school administrators are not allowed.

Headwear: (boys and girls)

No hats, caps and/or hoodies in the buildings unless special occasions that are approved by principal. Hats or caps worn outside of buildings must be worn appropriately.

Other: (boys and girls)

Body piercings are not allowed except earrings for girls. **Gauges** are not allowed. No student may wear facial jewelry, example: tongue rings, nose rings or studs, eyebrow, cheek etc., on school grounds or at any school-sponsored activity. **Tattoos** will be covered at all times, including school sponsored events. (The school does not have to provide bandages or any other coverings. It is the responsibility of the student.)

Shirts: (boys and girls)

No tank tops, see-through shirts, shirts that reveal the midriff, low cut, halter tops, spaghetti strap, over cut armholes, or strapless shirts.

Pants: (boys and girls)

Extremely short, tight fitting shorts, pants, dresses or skirts are not appropriate and will not be allowed. Leggings may be worn if the top is an acceptable length (ID badge above the knee) Length of shorts, skirts, and dresses must be no higher than ID length above the knee. Baggy (sagging) pants and shorts are not allowed. Pants with frays and small holes are permitted but must be no higher than ID length above the knee. No oversized holes showing skin.

Hair: (Boys and Girls)

Hair should be cleaned and groomed daily. Hair should be out of the eyes. No extreme hair colors. Hair including highlights should be a natural hair color. Boys: no facial hair- clean shaven at all times. (Boys will be sent home to shave if necessary)

Consequences for Dress Code Violations:

If the principal or assistant principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Dress Code violations will be recorded by students in the office and disciplinary action will be according to the amount of offenses. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action such as before, during, or after school detention(s), Saturday School, In school suspension, assignment of school duties and other discipline techniques according to student code of conduct. Students' personal dress and

grooming standards should comply with general guidelines. All dress code concerns will have final approval by the building principal or assistant principal and/or counselor.