

WELLPINIT SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT DRESS CODE**Policy 3224****Adopted— 10/23/06, changed 7/07, 8/20/08, and approved 2/18/09**

The dress and grooming of Wellpinit School students contribute to health and safety of the individual promote a positive educational environment and does not disrupt the educational activities and processes of the school. These minimum standards of dress and grooming apply to all students (K-12) unless a specific exemption is granted by the administration.

The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that the student's dress and grooming, including jewelry shall not:

- Lead school officials to reasonably believe that such dress or grooming shall disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from the school environment or activity and/or educational objectives as well as, the health and safety of students;
- Expose the front and back torso, not permitted are: low cut tops, tube tops, crop tops and halter tops, shirts with large open armholes, as well as, other shirts that reveal the torso.
- Extremely short skirts or shorts are not permitted as well as "low slung" pants that reveal skin or underwear, as well as, clothing that is too tight.
- Clothing and accessories such as backpacks, patches, jewelry, notebooks, lockers and book covers must not display (1) racial or ethnic slurs/symbols (2) gang affiliations, i.e. bandanas, baggy pants (3) vulgar, subversive, or sexually suggestive languages or images i.e., Coed-Naked, Big Johnson, Hooters, Playboy, etc. (4) cult oriented items (5) Promote products which students may not legally buy; such as alcohol, tobacco, guns, and illegal drugs (6) Messages that are derogatory towards religion, gender, sexual orientation; or physical, mental, or sensory disabilities.
- Prohibited items include (a) large, long and/or heavy chains, (b) studded or chained accessories (c) sunglasses worn on the face, (d) theatrical and exotic stage make-up, (e) no personal electronic devices allowed in the school building, not limited to cell phones, pagers, CD players, I-Pods, Game Boys, etc. (f) no hats worn in the school buildings (g) only *small* visible piercings in face, ears, and nose are allowed (limited to a stud or a bar bell). Small tongue piercings are also allowed since they are not visible. However, the Principal has the right to request any piercing removed if it becomes a distraction to the learning environment.

Footwear is required and must be safe and appropriate for indoor and outdoor activity. The school is not responsible for the loss of any equipment; students bring such items at their own risk of theft or damage.

The school administration reserves the right to determine whether the student's attire/accessories are within the limits of the dress code. The administration may allow exceptions in special circumstances or occasions such as holidays, or special events and may further prescribe dress in certain classes such as physical education, vocational classes, and science labs.

Any student not attired in accordance with the policy shall be subject to the following consequences:

1. Correct the dress code violation or spend the remainder of the day in in-school suspension (ISS).
2. Repeat offenders shall be subject to additional measures which include parent conferences, detentions, ISS, referrals and out-of-school suspensions.

