

## Student Dress Code/Physical Appearance

The Plummer-Worley Joint School District No. 44 has established a dress code for its students, in an effort to provide an atmosphere that enhances learning, instills discipline, prevents disruption, and avoids safety hazards. Students shall come to school looking neat and clean, wearing appropriate clothing, and exhibit grooming that will promote good health and provide a safe place for students and staff.

The district prohibits pictures, emblems, clothing, or writing on clothing that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene; that depicts the occult; that represents gang membership; or that advertises tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, firearms, drugs, or any other substances prohibited under school district policy. The district also prohibits any clothing, grooming, or jewelry that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption to the learning environment or interfere with normal school operations.

The District reserves the right to insist that the dress and grooming of students are within the limits of generally accepted good taste for the activity in which the student is engaged. When a student's appearance causes undue attention, is in poor taste, or causes a disruption of the educational environment, the student may be asked to change and maybe subject to disciplinary action.

To maintain a safe, positive, gang free school environment that does not disrupt or distract from the educational purpose, the following regulations have been established to supplement the policy of Plummer-Worley Joint School District:

- Hoods or bandannas may not be worn in the school during the school day.
- Pants/shorts may not be excessively baggy and/or low riding and must be worn above the hip.
- Undergarments may not be visible at any time.
- Any form of sleepwear, as determined by administration, is not appropriate or allowed at school.
- Shirts must cover the midriff and must not be excessively low in the front. No cleavage or undergarment may be showing. Shorts and skirts must be at least three inches below fingertip length. No tank tops of any kind are allowed. Prohibited items include but are not limited to: Spaghetti straps, halter tops, tube tops, and racerback shirts.
- All shirts must have sleeves and cover the outside of the shoulder. Prohibited items include but are not limited to; bro-tanks, cut off jerseys, cut off t-shirts and spaghetti straps.
- Shirts that promote, advertise, or display drugs or drug culture, alcohol or tobacco products may not be worn.
- Clothing and personal items that promote, advertise, or display profanity, vulgarity, racially or sexually offensive/suggestive expressions, or drug culture are not allowed at school.
- Any items identified as gang related or gang "colors" will not be allowed. This includes the wearing of gang-related tattoos, tagging or marking of books and notebooks, and the use of hand gestures or signing, which signifies gang activity. Any gang related activity will be reported to the police and may result in suspension or expulsion from school.
- Contacts that alter/conceal the normal appearance of the eye are prohibited.
- Drug culture icons such as hemp necklaces with mushrooms are not permitted.