

Valley Junior High
Community Council 5/11/2021

- Welcome
- Staffing Update; We started the meeting starting with staffing, we are only having one teacher leave due to enrollment numbers lowering.
- Discussion about Tardies; We then started discussing tardiness, they started super high a year ago but this year they have gone down significantly.

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	Students attending in person with 1 or more Tardy	Students attending in person with 3 or more Tardies	Students attending in person with 5 or more Tardies	Students attending in person with 10 or more Tardies
2019-20 (Nov 18-22)	70%	41%	26%	8%
2020-21 (Apr 12-15)	71%	28%	5%	0%

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- Discussion about Student Dress Code. We then talked about dress code, in particular hats. We read through a draft dress code and discussed various points. The team was happy with the draft.
 - See working draft
- Thanks to those leaving Community Council after this year. Any other questions from members? Will next year be normal Fridays? Yes. Will electronic policy be the same? Yes.
- Other Items

Dress Code Draft May 11, 2021

DRESS CODE

Valley is a public school setting where students are preparing for a future career. Overall, please note that anything that promotes violence, drugs or gangs will be immediately addressed and students will need to either change or a parent will be required to bring them a change of clothes.

DRESS STANDARDS

1. Valley Jr. High expects students to dress appropriately for school. If students fail to meet the dress standards, they will be reminded to wear clothing/apparel that meets dress code standards. Students who choose not to follow the dress code will have parents notified and may be sent home until proper attire is obtained. The administration reserves the right to modify the dress code as needed to maintain an environment conducive to learning and preserve the safety among all students.
2. Clothing must not detract from the learning environment. Any item, dress, behavior, or appearance that causes a disruption to the educational atmosphere of the classroom or the school is prohibited.
3. Clothing or apparel that displays or suggests lewd images or content, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, drugs/controlled substances, or guns/weapons are not permitted.
4. Any messages or images that promote gangs are not permitted. Items may be restricted by administration according to current recommendation by the Metro Gang Task Force.

TOPS

5. All tops must have sleeves that cover the shoulder. Tops may not be, or have, sheer or see-through panels. No tank tops or spaghetti straps are permitted unless worn WITH a t-shirt or top that meets the dress code. The style of clothing must be modest enough to cover all underwear, bra straps and cleavage. The length of the tops should be long enough to tuck in and/or cover the waistline of the pants or skirt (no bare stomachs). A navel should not be visible through the normal course of movement or raising one's arms above their head.

BOTTOMS

6. Pants, shorts, overalls, skirts, and jumpers need to ride at the natural waist so that the underclothing (e.g. underwear, gym shorts) is not visible.

7. Pants with large slits, tears, or see-through panels may not reveal areas normally covered by underwear. Slits in dresses or skirts should not reveal areas normally covered by underwear. A suggested rule of thumb is that holes in pants, and shorts, should be below fingertip length

ACCESSORIES

8. Chains, sharp jewelry, and spikes are not allowed at school. Hats may be worn provided they meet the requirements of not being affiliated with drugs, alcohol, gangs, and so forth. Hoodies may be worn in the halls and outside but are restricted in the classroom to not conceal headphones.

9. Bandanas are restricted in schools as per recommendation of the Metro Gang Task Force, as is the wearing of colored shoelaces and the requirement for different colors of tops and bottoms.

SHOES

10. Students must wear proper shoes at all times.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

11. Clothing for P.E. and Dance will be determined by those teachers.