



TANGLEWOOD

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dress Code

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

BE RESPECTFUL. BE RESPONSIBLE. BE YOUR BEST.

WE ARE
GLOBAL
THINKERS



MYP in Action

- ✓ INQUIRERS
- ✓ KNOWLEDGEABLE
- ✓ THINKERS
- ✓ COMMUNICATORS
- ✓ PRINCIPLED
- ✓ OPEN-MINDED
- ✓ CARING
- ✓ RISK-TAKERS
- ✓ BALANCED
- ✓ REFLECTIVE

✓ **WEAR THIS**

 **TOPS**

- Solid White Collared Shirt
- Solid Navy Blue Collared Shirt
- Official Tanglewood Spirit Shirt
- Official Tanglewood Team, Club or UIL Sweatshirt
- Solid White or Navy Sweatshirt



Logos must be 1 square inch or smaller.

 **BOTTOMS**

- Colors: Blue Jeans, Navy Blue, Khaki
- Styles: Pants, Capris, Shorts (must touch the kneecap when standing)
- Fabrics: Denim, Twill, Corduroy



No leggings, yoga pants, sweatpants, athletic pants, pajama pants, or blue jean shorts.

 **SHOES**

- Closed-toe
- Closed-heel
- Examples: Athletic Shoes, Tennis Shoes, Dress Shoes, Boots



All shoes must be safe and appropriate for school.

 **BACKPACKS**

- Clear backpacks are required for all students.
- Extracurricular bags (band, athletics, etc.) may be used but must be stored in the PE locker during the school day.
- Purses are not to be brought to campus.
- Lunch kits and pencil pouches may not exceed 6" x 9".



✗ **DO NOT WEAR THIS**



Leggings



Sweatpants



Pajama Pants



Blue Jean Shorts



Flip-Flops



Slides



Hats / Caps



Hoods Up



Crocs



Sandals



Platforms



High Heels

No clothing with inappropriate words, graphics or designs. No visible tattoos, no marks on skin or clothing.

 **ID BADGES**

Wear your ID badge and lanyard at all times.

- Replacement Badge: \$5

 **FREE DRESS DAYS**

Must have a Free Dress Pass. You may wear any color and appropriate designs.

 **NOT ALLOWED:** Leggings, pajama pants, or offensive clothing. Shirt with sleeves is required.

 **COLD WEATHER**

Heavy coats may be worn when the high temperature is below 50°F.

Only White, Navy Blue, or Official Tanglewood sweatshirts/hoodies allowed. Hoods must stay down.



 **FIELD TRIPS**

Free Dress Day attire is not permitted.

Students must follow the standard dress code.



WHY OUR DRESS CODE MATTERS

-  Creates a safe, focused learning environment
-  Shows school pride and unity
-  Prepares us for future success
-  Supports our MYP Learner Profile in action!

★ WE ARE ★

GATORS

ON A MISSION

TO LEARN. TO LEAD. TO INSPIRE.

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Tanglewood Middle School

Dress Code 2026-2027

Purpose

The Tanglewood Middle School Dress Code promotes a safe, respectful, and academically focused learning environment. Students are expected to maintain a neat, clean, and appropriate appearance that reflects positively on themselves and the school community.

All students must adhere to the Tanglewood Dress Code while on campus, during the school day, and at school-sponsored activities unless otherwise specified.

General Dress Code Expectations

All clothing and accessories must:

- Be clean, neat, properly fitted, and in good condition.
- Be free of rips, tears, holes, fraying, or excessive wear.
- Be worn appropriately and as designed.
- Not be skin-tight, excessively loose, or sagging.
- Be free of non-school-related words, graphics, symbols, logos, or designs.
- Meet dress code requirements for all visible layers of clothing.

Students may be required to remove outerwear that does not comply with the dress code upon arrival to school.

Uniform Requirements

Tops (Clothing Above the Waist)

Approved Colors

- Solid white
- Solid navy blue

Approved Shirts

Students must wear one of the following:

- A solid white or navy blue collared shirt
- An official Tanglewood spirit shirt

Logos and Designs

- Brand logos may not exceed one (1) square inch.
- No additional graphics, lettering, patterns, or designs are permitted.

Sweatshirts and Outerwear

The following may be worn:

- Official Tanglewood school-store sweatshirts
- Official Tanglewood team or UIL organization sweatshirts
- Solid white or navy blue crewneck sweatshirts
- Solid white or navy blue hooded sweatshirts

Hoods must remain down at all times while on campus.

Bottoms (Clothing Below the Waist)

Approved Colors

- Solid blue jeans
- Solid navy blue pants
- Solid khaki pants

Approved Fabrics

- Denim
- Twill
- Corduroy

Approved Styles

- Pants
- Capris
- Shorts

Restrictions

- Blue jean shorts are not permitted.
- Sweatpants, athletic pants, leggings, yoga pants, and similar attire are not permitted.
- Bottoms must fit properly at the waist.
- Shorts must reach the kneecap when standing.
- Skirts may be worn only for documented religious purposes with prior approval from the grade-level Assistant Principal.

Footwear

Students must wear closed-toe and closed-heel shoes at all times.

The following footwear is not permitted:

- Crocs
 - Flip-flops
 - Sandals
 - Slides
 - House shoes or slippers
 - Platform shoes
 - High-heeled shoes
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Cold Weather Guidelines

On days when the forecasted high temperature is below 50°F:

- Heavy coats of any color may be worn.
 - Non-compliant hoodies and sweatshirts are still prohibited.
 - Students may be required to remove outerwear that does not comply with dress code expectations.
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Team Uniforms and School Organizations

When approved by administration, students may wear official Tanglewood team or organization uniforms during the school day.

All uniforms must continue to meet dress code standards regarding coverage, length, and appropriateness.

Head Coverings

- Hats, caps, bonnets, and other head coverings are not permitted.
 - Religious head coverings are permitted.
 - Hoods must remain down while on campus.
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Grooming and Personal Appearance

Makeup

- Minimal makeup is permitted.
- Application of makeup during the school day is not permitted.
- Makeup used during instructional time may be confiscated and returned to a parent or guardian.

Jewelry

Jewelry is permitted provided it is not disruptive, unsafe, or distracting.

Additional guidelines:

- Necklaces must remain tucked inside the shirt.
- Earrings may not exceed the size of a quarter.

Tattoos and Markings

- Visible tattoos are prohibited.
- Drawing or writing on skin or clothing with pens, markers, or pencils is prohibited.

Personal Grooming

- Grooming activities must be limited to restroom facilities.
- Students may not change clothing during the school day unless authorized by administration.

Lunch Bags, Pencil Pouches, and Personal Items

Small storage bags used for school supplies may be carried and stored inside backpacks.

Purses are not permitted.

Backpacks and Book Bags

To support campus safety, all students must use a clear backpack.

Requirements

- Only transparent backpacks are permitted.
- Solid-color or mesh backpacks are not permitted.
- All backpacks and bags are subject to search.

Extracurricular Activity Bags

Students participating in extracurricular activities may bring non-transparent bags for activity-related equipment and materials.

These bags must:

- Be used only for the activity purpose.
- Be stored in the student's PE locker during the school day.

Size Limit for Non-Transparent Personal Bags

Items such as:

- Lunch kits
- Pencil pouches

may not exceed 6 inches by 9 inches.

Student Identification Badges

For campus safety, all students must wear their school-issued ID badge and lanyard throughout the school day.

Replacement Costs

- Initial badge and lanyard: No charge
- Replacement badge: \$5.00

Students who repeatedly fail to bring or wear their ID badge may be assigned disciplinary consequences, including:

- Lunch detention
- After-school detention
- In-school suspension

Outstanding ID fees may limit participation in extracurricular activities.

Physical Education (PE) Uniforms

Students enrolled in PE must wear the official Tanglewood PE uniform.

Official PE Uniform

- Tanglewood Royal Blue Shorts (\$12)

- Tanglewood PE White Shirt (\$10)

PE uniforms may be purchased through PE teachers or the school store.

Additional Guidelines

- PE uniforms may only be worn during PE class.
 - During cold weather, students may wear sweatpants over the PE uniform.
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Free Dress Days

Students participating in Free Dress Days must have an approved Free Dress Pass.

Free Dress Day Expectations

Students may:

- Wear clothing of any color.
- Wear clothing with appropriate logos, graphics, or designs.

Students may not:

- Wear offensive, inappropriate, disruptive, or unsafe clothing.
- Wear leggings, yoga pants, pajama pants, or sleepwear.

Additional requirements may be announced for special events.

A shirt with sleeves is required; collared shirts are not required on Free Dress Days.

Field Trips

Free Dress Day attire is not permitted on field trips.

Students attending field trips must comply with the standard Tanglewood Dress Code unless otherwise directed by school administration.

Administrative Authority

Tanglewood Middle School administration reserves the right to determine whether a student's attire, grooming, or appearance is disruptive to the educational environment, creates a safety concern, or violates the intent of this policy.

Administrative decisions regarding dress code compliance are final.

Consequences for Dress Code Violations

Failure to comply with the Tanglewood Dress Code constitutes a Level II infraction under the HISD Student Code of Conduct.

First and Second Offenses

- Documentation in HERO and on discipline record
- Review of the dress code policy with the student
- Parent/guardian contact
- Parent/guardian may be required to bring appropriate clothing

Repeated Offenses

In addition to the consequences listed above, students may receive:

- Lunch detention
- After-school detention
- In-school suspension

Continued noncompliance may result in additional disciplinary action consistent with the HISD Student Code of Conduct.