

**DRESS AND GROOMING CODE  
2010-11 School Year**

The administration and staff at Rancho Pico Junior High School believe that appropriate dress and grooming contribute to a safe and productive learning environment. We expect students to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to wear clothes that are suitable for the school activities in which they participate. Students clothing must not present a health or safety hazard, or any distraction which would interfere with the educational process. Please review the following dress code with your student:

1. Closed-toe shoes must be worn at all times. Slippers may not be worn.
2. Clothes shall conceal undergarments at all times. Low cut tops and bare midriffs are prohibited. Boys and girls shirts must have sleeves. Shoulders must be covered at all times.
3. No excessively baggy or sagging pants/shorts are allowed. Pants and shorts must be worn at the waist. Belt tips may not hang. Sleepwear (pajamas, etc.) may not be worn.
4. Skirts/shorts/pants must fit sensibly and modestly.
5. Clothing that advocates drugs, alcohol, tobacco or disruptive/illegal activities are prohibited. This includes images of weapons or violence. Clothing and jewelry shall be free of writing, pictures, or any other insignia which are crude, vulgar, violent, profane, or sexually suggestive or which advocates any form of prejudice. Clothes (or books and other materials) will be confiscated if they have old-English or tagging-style writing or markings.
6. Only approved Rancho Pico headwear (hats and beanies) may be worn on campus. Hoods and bandanas are prohibited. Headwear must be worn as intended and may not be worn in the classroom.
7. Accessories such as safety pins, heavy chains, wallet chains, and jewelry with dangerous points or spikes, are prohibited.
8. Hair shall be clean and neatly groomed. Student dress and grooming must be safe, clean, modest, and conducive to educational pursuits.

Violation of the above provisions of the student dress code may result in: 1) Student calling home for appropriate clothing to be brought to school, OR 2) Student changing into clean, replacement Rancho Pico attire. Upon the third dress code violation, progressive disciplinary actions will take place. Disciplinary actions including, but not limited to, warnings, conferences, parent contacts, paper pick-up, detention, Saturday School and suspension will be employed, as necessary, to ensure compliance with this policy.