

# PERSHING MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE 2009 - 2010

## THE PURPOSE OF THE DRESS CODE

*Ensure a safe learning environment.*

*Promote a climate of effective discipline that doesn't distract from the educational process.*

## SHIRTS & TOPS

- 6<sup>th</sup> Graders - WHITE uniform shirts – with a “Pershing” script logo on it.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Graders - RED uniform shirts – with a “Pershing” script logo on it.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Graders – BLACK uniform shirts – with a “Pershing” script logo on it.
- All shirts must be a suitably sized short sleeve or long sleeve crew neck or “polo” style shirt. Shirt sleeves cannot be rolled up. **No “tall” T’s or oversized shirts are allowed.**
- On Fridays, students may wear their Pershing school club/team shirts (band, student council, sports, Fine Arts, etc.)
- ONLY WHITE undershirts are allowed. Undershirts may be shown under the outer shirt as long as no writing/graphics are visible. Undershirts must be tucked in.
- Shirt length must not exceed below the wrists when the arms are straight down.
- \* **Shirts that do not meet the “wrist” rule must be tucked in.**

NOTE:: THESE ARE THE ONLY STYLES OF SHIRTS THAT ARE ACCEPTABLE.

## PANTS, CAPRI PANTS, SKIRTS, AND SHORTS

- **Must be solid-colored khaki tan.**
- Pants must not fall below the waistline. “Sagging and Bagging” is not acceptable at Pershing.
- Skirt length must be at least one inch below the fingers when the arms are straight down.
- Oversized, undersized, torn pants/shorts will not be permitted.
- Pant legs cannot be rolled up.
- Stripes, embroidery, patterns, and logos are not allowed.
- Nylon fleece and sweat pants are not allowed.

## OUTER GARMENTS

- Sweatshirts, windbreakers, or jackets that are a solid school color may be worn in the classrooms. They must be in their grades’ assigned color. (WHITE for 6<sup>th</sup> grade, RED for 7<sup>th</sup> grade and BLACK for 8<sup>th</sup> grade.)
  - Hooded sweatshirts may be worn inside the building, but students may not wear hoods inside the building. They must be in their grades’ assigned color. (WHITE for 6<sup>th</sup> grade, RED for 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and BLACK for 8<sup>th</sup> grade.)
- Note: Sweaters and jackets of any style and color may be worn before and after school but must be placed in lockers during the day. They cannot be worn in the building, classrooms, hallways, or community areas during the school day.*

## ID (IDENTIFICATION) CARDS

- Student identification cards must be worn at all times.
- Identification cards must be worn on lanyards supplied by the school. Replacement lanyards cost is \$1.00.
- Students are not allowed to deface identification cards.
- Replacement “ID” cards cost is \$5.00.
- \* Temporary ID’s will be available in the Attendance Office from 8:00 until the 8:45 bell. Students can use up to 4 Temporary ID’s per semester before receiving a school consequence.

## ADDITIONAL DRESS AND GROOMING REGULATIONS

- Closed-toe shoes must be worn at all times.
- Shoes with rollers/wheels underneath are not permitted.
- For safety reasons, platform shoes, spiked heels, combat boots, steel-toed boots, or any backless shoes (including clogs, house shoes, sandals, flip-flops, and aqua socks) are not allowed.
- Oversized purses will NOT be allowed in classrooms.
- Backpacks cannot be taken into classrooms or worn/carried in the building during the instructional day (8:45-3:45).
- Jewelry that distracts from the educational process is not allowed. This includes anything depicting the occult, gang membership, death, suicide, violence, drugs, sex, race, gender, obscenities, alcohol or anything else deemed inappropriate.
- Wallet chains or dog collars are not allowed.
- Hairstyles or hair color that distracts from the educational process are not allowed.
- Head wear (hats, caps, bandanas, etc.) are not allowed.
- Sunglasses are not allowed.
- Tattoos or markings on exposed skin is not allowed.
- Only piercing in the ears is allowed.

**THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION IS THE FINAL ARBITRATOR ON WHAT DETRACTS FROM THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS**