

DRESS CODE

The dress code is an area in which parent cooperation is essential to students and the school. The majority of parents and students agree that modest, simple attire is most appropriate for school wear. Students wearing inappropriate attire/items to school will either remove them, change into PE clothes, or will have a parent contacted to either bring them appropriate attire or to go home and change. Students who fail to maintain these standards may be withheld from instruction and shall be required to correct the condition found to be hazardous to safety or health, or disruptive to teaching and/or learning. The Martinez Junior High School Dress Code is outlined as follows:

- Shoes must be worn at all times. No slippers, sandals, flip flops, or backless shoes allowed.
- Sweatshirt hoods may not be worn on campus at any time, unless otherwise instructed by staff, and/or administration.
- Bare midriff tops, blouses, or low cut revealing tops are prohibited.
- No pajamas, sleep wear, etc.
- No "See-through" tops/ tube tops/ inappropriate shirts/halter tops or tank tops.
- No hats, caps, visors, bandanas, head-coverings, etc. Except as listed above.
- No cutoffs or jeans with ragged hems, holes, or frays, unless patched.
- Skirts/shorts shorter than mid-thigh or with a slit that goes above mid-thigh
- No clothing accessories that can create a danger to other students are not allowed on campus or at school events (spiked neck or wrist bands, pointed rings, large medallions, heavy or long chains, and other hazardous objects).
- Excessive hanging pants (a.k.a. "sagging") (C.C.R. Title 5, Section 302.)
- Dark glasses in class.
- No "grills" or other mouth wear, not needed for medical purposes.
- Gang attire, i.e., bandannas, hanging belts, rolled up pant leg, tags attached to backpacks, or any other related items.
- No logos promoting or displaying:
 - Derogatory, racial, ethnic phrases or pictures
 - Illegal groups or gangs and their insignias
 - Illegal substances/items including drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, and/or violence
 - Obscenity or profanity; any article promoting satanic, violent, degrading, or inflammatory statements.
 - Any clothing that is otherwise unsafe, inappropriate, or harmful to the school environment.

HAT POLICY

As of January 1, 2002 hats are allowed in all schools in California. The State Legislature passed this law as a reaction to growing concerns over skin cancer that may be caused by over exposure to the sun during childhood. **Hats / visors may be worn out-of-doors during lunch and physical education for protection from the sun ONLY.** They are not to be worn during passing periods, before or after school, and NEVER in any building! Colors allowed: white, blue, beige / brown, black, or combinations of these colors. Styles must have a bill or brim and include: baseball caps, wide brim hiking / safari types, western / cowboy, "Indiana Jones" / "Crocodile Dundee" styles, golf styles. LOGOS / wording is limited to only: Flag of the U.S.A.; Martinez, California; Martinez Junior High School. NO team names / sports gear logos will be allowed. Hats / visors must be worn with bills / brims facing forward to shade the face. Violation of the hat / visor policy will be treated the same as other dress code issues.