

Setting the Standard

for EXCELLENCE Professional Dress for Alvarado ISD

As educators, our commitment to excellence should be reflected in our appearance. A business or business casual style is appropriate for all professional employees and support staff members.

APPROPRIATE DRESS

WOMEN

- Collared or uncollared shirts and tops (pullover or button-style)
- Tailored or business casual pants, pant sets and business pant suits, dress pants, and capris (mid-calf and below) worn as part of a suit or coordinated outfit
- Skirts and dresses that fall at or below the knee

MEN

- Collared shirts (i.e. polo or oxford style) or dress shirts (long or short sleeved)
- Turtlenecks (preferably worn with a sport coat, sweater or jacket)
- Tailored dress slacks or business casual (Dockers-style) pants
- Acceptable sweater styles include pullover and cardigan styles
- Although not required, men are encouraged to wear jackets and ties

ACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR

WOMEN

- Dress shoes or pumps, leather-like suede or loafer-style shoes and boots
- Supportive shoes or tennis shoes
- Closed-toed mule or closed-toed slide styles
- Open-toed shoe (sandal) with a dress appearance
- Shoes with a toe strap (designed to go between the toes) with a dress appearance

MEN

- Dress shoes or casual shoes such as leather-like, suede or loafer-styles, boots, and supportive shoes

INAPPROPRIATE DRESS

- No spaghetti straps, camisoles, or tank tops worn without a jacket or shirt-jacket
 - Sleeveless blouses/dresses are allowed if: the straps are at least the width of three fingers; attire is of a professional appearance; and undergarments or cleavage are not showing
- Leggings that are not worn with a dress, shirt, or sweater that is **AT LEAST** mid-thigh length
- Shirts that are tight, low-cut, show cleavage, or mid-riff
- Capri pants falling above the mid-calf and low-fitting “hip-hugger” pants
- Any clothes that are too tight, too short, too baggy
- Sweatpants, wind pants, and warm up suits in the classroom
- Hats in the building or gym
- Blue jeans (**EXCEPTION FRIDAYS WITH ALVARADO SPIRIT SHIRT**)
- Cargo or carpenter-style pants and capris
- No visible body piercing except for ears
- No visible large, offensive, and/or distracting body art
- Shorts, wind pants, sweatpants, and warm up suits should only be worn in P.E. or athletic classes as appropriate; coaches must be in professional dress while in the regular classroom
- Sheer or see-through clothing without approved sleeveless shirt
- Men should not wear sandals or Crocs
- Women should not wear flip flops or Crocs with a casual /recreational appearance

EXCEPTIONS

- Special Day/event attire may be designated by the campus principal or district designee (i.e. Field Day, Storybook Character Day, etc)