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Dear Wildcat Families,

As we start the NEW year, this is the time to remind the Wildcat family about the policies and procedures in place to ensure our students and staff have a safe, secure and orderly learning environment. Please read and review the ID Badge and Dress Code Policy with your child before they return for the spring 2017 semester. We have attached a summary here for your convenience.

Student Identification (ID) Badges Requirements

Student ID Badges:

- Are required to enter the campus and classrooms.
- Must be worn on a lanyard around the neck and should be visible at all times.
- Must be presented to school and district staff or other persons of authority upon request.
- Cannot be altered or defaced with stickers, markings, additional photos, etc.
- Cannot be shared. Wearing another student's ID badge is strictly prohibited.
- Must be replaced immediately if lost, stolen, damaged or defaced. **After three FREE ID badge replacements, students will be issued disciplinary consequences.**

Dress Code Policy Reminders

- Only mesh or clear backpacks are permitted on campus.
- Purses may be carried by students, but cannot be larger than 6 inches by 4 inches.
- Items with inappropriate or profane visual or written messages are not permitted, including messages related to drugs, alcohol, weapons, violence and/or gang affiliations.
- Hats, caps, hair wraps, bandanas and jacket hoods are not permitted unless preapproved by the campus principal. The hoods of jackets may NOT be used in the building. In addition, blankets are not allowed.
- Any shorts or skirts shorter than the length of your longest fingertip when you are standing upright, spaghetti straps, low-cut shirts, exposed midriff, crop tops, tank tops, leggings, tights, pajamas and cutoffs are not permitted.
- Size-appropriate garments are required. Belts are encouraged. No sagging is allowed.
- Leggings must be worn underneath jeans with holes.
- Sandals, flip flops, house shoes and slippers are not permitted.

Cell Phone Policy Reminders

- The use or operation of paging devices, including beepers, cell phones, electronic pagers, tablets, notebooks, iPads or any other type of electronic communication system is prohibited on school campuses or at functions during the instructional day. The instructional day is from 7:15 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and includes any of the hours in which a school event occurs.
- Earbuds should not be visible during the instructional day.

Again, students are expected to follow the Student ID Badge, Dress Code and Cell Phone Policies. Students refusing to adhere **will be subject to disciplinary action** as outlined in the *Spring Independent School District Student Code of Conduct*. We encourage you to discuss the policies with your child.

Thank you in advance for your full cooperation and we look forward to a successful spring semester.

Sincerely,

David Baxter, Principal
Dekaney High School

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