

## **DRESS CODE AND FOOTWEAR**

All school bus drivers shall present themselves to our schools and to our community in a manner that is appropriate while working with school children. These standards are based upon the need to provide and promote a safe, clean and positive image of School District No. 27.

Bus drivers work in an environment different from the general office environment. The nature of work performed by bus drivers mandate that attire be practical, comfortable and safe. Employees of the Transportation Department have an obligation to comply with these standards.

### **Dress Code**

Under normal circumstances all drivers should wear long pants. Short pants, if worn, will meet the fingertip length standard. Inappropriate attire is defined as, but not limited to:

- Short shorts, short or mini skirts, low cut tops, halter tops or tops that reveal the midriff.
- T shirts with offensive slogans, pictures which advertise products or display messages that are inappropriate for the school setting (i.e. clothing with logos for alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, political ideology, etc.).
- Bus drivers should not wear ragged, torn or dirty clothing.

Do not wear jewelry or accessories that can be grabbed by students or caught on equipment including, but not limited to wheelchairs and bus apparatus.

Dress appropriately for winter conditions as there may be times when drivers are required to be outside the bus for extended periods of time and exposed to the elements.

**All drivers will wear high visibility vests when performing pre and post trip inspections as well as any time they exit the bus for any reason. High visibility vests are available at both bus garages.**



In general, dress professionally and with common sense in mind.

### Footwear

Types of footwear will comply with District safety recommendations. This typically eliminates wearing open-toed shoes, sandals or clogs of any type or heels that are more than ½” in height.

The best driving footwear is one that has a flat sole, covers the entire foot and is fastened securely.

The type of footwear you use could affect your ability to perform in a safe manner during an emergency situation. Keep in mind to use appropriate footwear for winter conditions. From time to time you may be required to chain up or be outside the bus for extended periods of time. Warm and dry footwear is a must.