

## Student Dress Code

The Governing Board of the Kern High School District has determined that appropriate dress and grooming contribute to a productive and positive learning environment. Foothill Students are expected to wear clothes that are suitable for the school activities in which they participate. *Student's clothing must not present a health or safety hazard or a distraction which would disrupt the educational process.*

### **The following guidelines shall apply to all regular school activities:**

1. Shoes must be worn at all times. Slippers may not be worn to school.
2. Slogans, Illustrations: Clothing, jewelry and personal items (backpacks, purses, gym bags, water bottles, etc.) shall be free of writing, pictures or any other insignia which are crude, vulgar, profane or sexually suggestive, which bear tobacco, alcohol or drug company advertising, promotions and likenesses, or which advocate racial, sexual, ethnic or religious prejudice, or violence.
3. Sagging will not be allowed at Foothill. Baggy or oversized pants MUST be worn with a belt.
4. Revealing Apparel: Clothes shall be sufficient to CONCEAL UNDERGARMENTS AT ALL TIMES. See-through or fishnet fabrics, halter tops, SPAGHETTI STRAPS, tube tops, tank tops, off-the-shoulder low cut tops, bare midriffs, short-skirts and short-shorts are not allowed at school. Students will be sent to the dean's office for inappropriate clothing. The Dean of Students shall determine if the apparel is appropriate for school.
5. Dangerous Attire which poses a hazard: e.g.: steel toed boots, chains, items with spikes or studs are not allowed.
6. "Colors": The presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, notebook, or manner of grooming which, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, denotes membership in a group or gang which advocates drug use, racial or ethnic disharmony, or which recommends violence or other disruptive behavior, is prohibited.

## Consequences of Dress Code Violations

- 1<sup>st</sup> violation:** Student will be required to change into more appropriate clothing Issued by the Dean's office and exchanged back at the end of the day.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> violation:** Student will be required to change into more appropriate clothing Issued by the Dean's office and exchanged back at the end of the day. Student will receive lunch detention.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> violation:** Student will be required to change into more appropriate clothing issued by the Dean's office. Parent contact is made and Saturday Work is assigned.
- 4<sup>th</sup> violation:** Parent conference with Parent and Student.

### **What it means to be a TROJAN:**

**Team player** – Foothill prides itself on working as a team. Trojans are expected to assist one another in and out of the classroom for the betterment of the school.

**Respectful** – Foothill Trojans will respect every other person on campus. They will not “put down,” harass, intimidate, bully or otherwise belittle anyone else.

**Organized** - Trojans will be prepared daily. All students are required to wear the lanyard and FHS photo ID provided while on FHS campus. All students must bring the proper classroom materials for learning.

**Just** – Trojans are expected to be guided by truth. All students will receive Restorative Justice and be expected to “own up” to their choices.

**Attitude** - All students will maintain a proper attitude. Profanity is not acceptable Trojan behavior and does not validate the level of learning acquired on the Foothill High School Campus.

**No Tolerance** - All students at Foothill will understand that the Dean's office takes a “no tolerance” or “zero tolerance” for the following offenses:

- a. POSSESSING, SELLING, OR FURNISHING A FIREARM
- b. SELLING A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- c. COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT SEXUAL BATTERY
- d. BRANDISHING A KNIFE
- e. POSSESSION OF AN EXPLOSION



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## From The Dean's Office

We are committed to ensuring a safe and welcoming environment for the students of Foothill High School. Students are expected to adhere to all school rules and policies. The Dean's office will decide the appropriate disciplinary action on a case by case basis.

## Cell Phones/Electronic Devices

Cell phones and all electronic devices, including audio and video recorders, are to be powered **OFF** and **OUT OF SIGHT** from 7:30am to 2:30pm. These items will be taken and returned to parents only. Theft of these items will not be investigated.

### Consequences for Confiscated Electronic Devices / Confiscated Headgear:

*Cell phones, i-pods, CD players, radios, headphones, hats, bandanas, headbands, etc...*

**1<sup>st</sup> violation:** Legal parent or guardian may pick up the confiscated item between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Student is warned.

**2<sup>nd</sup> violation:** Legal parent or guardian may pick up the confiscated item between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Student will serve lunch detention.

**3<sup>rd</sup> violation:** Legal parent or guardian may pick up the confiscated item between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Student is placed on School Probation.

**4<sup>th</sup> violation:** Legal parent or guardian may pick up the confiscated item between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Student receives Saturday Work.

**Subsequent Violations** – Suspension(s) and other discipline action may be taken.

## Hat Policy

Hats are not allowed on campus during school hours 7:30am – 2:30pm at Foothill High School. Items will be confiscated and may be picked up in the Dean's Office from 2:30pm–3:30pm.

## Bicycles & Skateboards

Two bike racks are provided for students to lock their bikes. Students park & lock their bikes at their own risk. Skateboards, rollerblades, and "Heelys" are not permitted on campus.

**1st violation-** Student warning and the object will be stored in the dean's office and returned at the end of the day.

**2nd violation-** The object will be confiscated and returned to the parents.

## Closed Campus

Students will not be allowed to loiter in the parking lot or near their cars during the lunch hour. Any student caught cutting campus during School Hours will receive appropriate disciplinary action from the dean.

Parents please do not deliver "special" lunches to your student during the lunch hour.

If your student must leave campus during the day, please have them bring a note to the Attendance Office before school so that classes are not disturbed. Your student will be given an off-campus pass that can be shown to the teacher for release to the office to meet you. You will be required to sign-out your student at the attendance office. We ask that you DO NOT interrupt instruction time with messages about school work, books, lunch money, etc.

### **Clearing Absences**

A parent may call the school within 72 hours (3 days) to clear an absence. If the absence is not cleared by this time, it will turn into a cut.

**Foothill:** (661) 366-4491

**24 hr Attendance Line** (661) 366-8177

## Tardies

When students are late to class, they miss out on valuable instructional minutes. Being late to class is unacceptable at Foothill High School!

### Consequences of Tardiness:

- **Lunch Detention**
- **Saturday Work**
- **School Probation**
- **Loss of extra-curricular activities**
- **Placed on STEP (see below)**

## Attendance (STEP Policy)

The following STEPS are a series of progressive measures and interventions set by the KHSD and Foothill High School to improve student attendance. Though each student will be held accountable for his/her actions and each parent held responsible for his/her student's truancy, it is an overall goal of each school to increase daily attendance for the purpose of ensuring student achievement and success. It is the goal of the KHSD that each student graduate from high school and receive a diploma.

**Step 1 3 cuts.** You have entered the truancy program on the school's computer. Step letter is sent home. Step contract with student.

**Step 2 6 cuts.** Parents are telephoned or sent a letter home. Step contract with student.

**Step 3 9 cuts.** You are now on school probation. Parents must come to school and meet with the dean and counselor. Parent and student sign school probation contract. Discipline action may be taken. Step contract with student again.

**Step 4 12 cuts.** Student and parent will attend a conference with the Dean, counselor, school police officer and other school staff. **Saturday work is assigned.** This is the final meeting at the school site. If cuts continue student will be referred to a SARB panel at the district office.

**Step 5 15 cuts.** Student and parents will be referred to the KHSD Student Attendance Review Board (SARB).

## Senior Attendance Policy

Any senior who has 30 or more period cuts during the school year **WILL NOT** be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. One full day cut = 6 period cuts. This policy goes into effect on the first day of school.