

Welcome – Bienvenidos
April Parent Meeting – Junta para
los padres del abril

Gang Awareness
Freshman Academy

Increased activity at school

- Tagging
- Gang or gang like attire
- Talk
- 3 primary gangs: Sureños (South Side), Norteños (North Side), “La Familia (Mescalero)
- Others: East Side, West Side, South Valley

Sample of Recent Tags



Gang Style

• Gang Related Clothing and Styles - Boys

- Shaved, bald head or extremely short hair
- White oversized T-shirt creased in the middle
- White athletic type undershirt
- Polo type knit shirts (oversized) and usually worn buttoned to the top and not tucked in
- Oversized Dickie, Ben Davis or Solos pants
- Pants worn low, or "sagging" and cuffed inside at the bottom or dragging on the ground
- Baseball caps worn backwards (usually black and sometimes with the initials of the gang)
- Cut off under-the-knee, short pants worn with knee-high socks
- A predominance of dark or dull clothing, or clothing of one particular color
- Black oversized jackets, sweatshirts, jerseys, etc.
- Black stretch belt with chrome or silver gang initial belt buckle
- Oversized shirts
- Clothing a mixture of gang colors, black and silver or white

• Gang Related Clothing and Styles - Girls

- Exaggerated use of mousse, gel or baby oil on hair
- Black or dark clothing and shoes
- Black oversized jackets, sweatshirts, athletic football jerseys, etc.
- Oversized shirts worn outside of the pants
- Oversized white T-shirts
- Dark jackets with lettering (cursive or Old English style)
- Baggy, long pants dragging on the ground
- Heavy make-up, dark excessive eye shadow, shaved eyebrows, dark lipstick, dark fingernail polish
- Tank tops or revealing blouses
- Stretch belts with initial on belt buckle
- Overalls not fastened

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Other indicators



Smile Now, Cry Later

- Symbol of the “fast” life
- Have “fun” now, take risks
- Die young



Old English

- A B C D E F G H
I J K L M N O P
Q R S T U V W X
Y Z

Additional Information

- <http://www.gangsgang.com/>
- <http://sto.http://www.pta.org/3558.htm>
phoustongangs.org/default.aspx?menuitemid=623&aspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1
- <http://www.gangsorus.com/parents.html>
- http://www.tyc.state.tx.us/prevention/gang_over.html