

STUDENT DRESS

Code **JICA** Issued **6/05**

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for determining appropriate dress standards for students.

Students are expected to dress in a manner that is appropriate for school and that is conducive to a good learning environment. Students are not to wear attire that interferes with learning, schoolwork or order within the school. Personal appearance of students should promote health and safety, contribute to a climate conducive to teaching and learning and project a positive image of the district to the community. Generally, student dress is considered appropriate as long as it does not, or foreseeably could not, interfere with the educational process, cause disruption, or damage school property. In addition to clothing, hats and shoes, attire includes any jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, sign, comment or other items worn or displayed by an individual.

The administration of each of the schools will determine the appropriateness of student dress. Guidelines will be established and disseminated to students and parents/legal guardians. The administrative team of each of the schools will make the final judgement on the appropriateness of clothing or other items which lead to, or may foreseeably result in, the disruption of or interference with the school environment. In the event the administration determines a student's dress is inappropriate for school in accordance with this policy, the administration will either require the student to change or will inform the student not to wear the garment to school again. While this list is not exhaustive, the following dress guidelines will be adhered to at all times.

- The administration may prohibit the wearing of any articles of clothing or other items which may foreseeably disrupt or interfere with the school environment.
- Attire must comply with requirements for health and safety.
- Attire must not be immodest, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, indecent or offensive. Shorts, skirts and dresses should be of adequate length to assure modesty when the student is seated or engaged in school activities. Appropriate undergarments should be worn and should be covered by outer clothing. Uniforms for extracurricular activities that are worn during classes other than physical education must be modified to conform to the student dress code guidelines.
- Attire must not evidence membership or affiliation with a "gang" in any negative sense of the term.
- Attire must not display any information about, representations of or advertisements for alcoholic beverage(s), tobacco, controlled drugs or illegal drugs or paraphernalia associated with the foregoing.
- The principal will specify the attire that students must wear in order to participate in a high school graduation ceremony as long as an eligible student's failure to participate does not preclude his/her receiving a diploma after the ceremony.

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