

TITLE: 7331R Student Dress

PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND: To provide guidelines for student dress.

APPLICABILITY: All students

MONITORING RESPONSIBILITY: Site Administrator/Designee

OUTLINE OF PROCEDURE:

1. District Standards

The NCSD reserves the right to insist that the dress and grooming of students are within the limits of generally accepted good taste and that students shall be required to show proper attention to cleanliness and safety.

2. Educational Environment

Student's dress, personal appearance and conduct are required to be of such character as not to disrupt or detract from the educational environment of the school. Any style which tends to diminish instructional effectiveness or discipline control by teachers is not acceptable.

3. Responsibility

The school administration shall have the right to designate which types of dress, fashion, fads or appearance disrupt or detract from the educational program and may be a potential safety hazard.

4. Information

Handbooks and/or newsletters prepared at each school shall express uniformity on specific requirements and prohibitions. Each school will be responsible for activities to acquaint students, staff and parents with the expectations and enforcement procedures for school and District policies. Notifications of dress code changes occurring during the school year shall be sent promptly to parents. Statements may be included which:

- a. Require the wearing of neat and comfortable clothes that meet generally accepted good taste for school and school activities. Examples of appropriate clothing include dresses, skirts, dress slacks, jeans, walking shorts, sweaters, blazers, shirts and blouses.
- b. Require the wearing of comfortable, safe shoes with soles (i.e., dress shoes, sneakers and sandals with straps). No shoes with wheels.
- c. Require that clothes are an appropriate length with shirts or blouses buttoned in accordance with the design of the article of clothing. All underclothing must be covered, including straps.

- d. Require that if shorts are worn, they must be hemmed, without fray and of modest length (i.e., walking shorts).
- e. Prohibit wearing transparent, see-through tops, bare midriff, strapless, revealing clothing, sweats with holes or frayed shorts, spandex, pajama pants, or tops and outfits that provide minimum coverage.
- f. Prohibit the wearing of headgear in school buildings except for designated school approved uniforms or at authorized athletic practices or activities. Headgear is allowed for protection against cold or sun exposure outside the school building.
- g. Prohibit clothing with controversial pictures or inappropriate advertisement, which might disrupt the educational setting, including clothing that is sexually suggestive, contains hate language, references alcohol or drugs, contains lewd or profane slogans or is considered gang-related apparel.
- h. Prohibit jewelry that makes noise, has spikes or could pose a danger in a crowded setting. Any jewelry or accessory that poses a safety concern for the student or others will also be prohibited.

Students enrolled in a lab or shop class must follow any special clothing guidelines specified by the teacher. Students are expected to bring special clothes to wear during P.E. and must change out of P.E. clothes prior to attending other classes.

If the school has adopted a uniform, the wearing of the uniform represents automatic compliance with the school District's dress policy.

5. Other Considerations

- a. The site administrator shall retain the authority to grant exceptions for special occasions and/or special conditions.
- b. The Principal, in connection with the sponsor, coach or other person in charge of an extra-curricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity and may impose higher standards.

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