

**PRESS PLUS ISSUE #108 NOVEMBER 2021**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 21, 2022**  
**ANSWER REQUIRED**

LINCOLNWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 74 \ SECTION 7 - Students \

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Students

**7:160 Student Appearance**

Students' dress and hygiene grooming must not disrupt the educational process, interfere with the maintenance of a positive teaching/learning climate, or compromise reasonable standards of health, and safety, and decency. The District does not prohibit hairstyles historically associated with race, ethnicity, or hair texture, including, but not limited to, protective hairstyles such as braids, locks, and twists. PRESSPlus1 Q1 Students who disrupt the educational process or compromise standards of health and safety must modify their appearance. Procedures for guiding student appearance, handling students who dress or groom inappropriately will be developed by the Superintendent or designee and included in the *Student Handbook(s)*.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.25 and 5/10-22.25b.

Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Sch. Dist., 89 S.Ct. 733 393 U.S. 503 (1969).

CROSS REF.: 7:130 (Student Rights and Responsibilities), 7:190 (Student Behavior)

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**Questions and Answers:**

\*\*\*Required Question 1. If the board would like to expand upon the law's requirement of race, ethnicity, or hair texture, IASB will amend this sentence as follows: "The District does not prohibit hairstyles or hair textures historically associated with historically associated with race, ethnicity, or hair texture, or any other protected classes under Board policy 7:10, *Equal Educational Opportunities*, including, but not limited to, protective hairstyles such as braids, locks, and twists."

Would the board would like to expand upon the law's requirement of race, ethnicity, or hair texture?

- ☐ No (default)  
☐ Yes.

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**PRESSPlus Comments**

PRESSPlus 1. Required by 105 ILCS 5/10-22.25b, amended by P.A. 102-360, eff. 1-1-22, for recognition under 105 ILCS 5/2-3.25 (*Jett Hawkins Law*). For districts to receive recognition from the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE), they must provide assurances of compliance with the *Jett Hawkins Law*. This policy's second sentence does that. ISBE will have resource materials on its website by 7-1-22. State or federal law also controls this policy's content. **Issue 108, November 2021**