

Students

Student Dress

The Board of Trustees provides an educational atmosphere conducive to learning while minimizing disruptions and/or distractions; to protect the health, safety, and morals of our students.

Matters of dress remain primarily the responsibility of students, in consultation with their parent(s) or legal guardian(s). All students are required to adhere to the standards of dress when the student is on any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location.

Students are not to wear or carry items of apparel which depict or allude to: alcohol and tobacco; controlled substances; drug paraphernalia; gangs; violence; sexually explicit and pornographic images; or illegal acts. The wearing, using, or displaying of evidence supporting membership or affiliation with any gang is prohibited on any school premises or at any school sponsored activity.

The wearing of head coverings are inappropriate during the Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem, and Veteran's Day Assembly.

The minimum standards for dress include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Undergarments must be worn and shall not be visible.
- Tube tops are not allowed.
- Tank top straps must be two (2) finger width. and the top must fully cover undergarments and the chest of the student.
- Midriffs must not be exposed.
- Skirts, dresses, shorts must be at a minimum length to ensure clothing is of an appropriate length to cover undergarments and private body parts, such as the buttocks, at all times.
- Leg coverings (jeans, pants, etc.) with holes above mid-thigh must not show skin.
- Leg coverings, (jeans, pants, etc.) must be worn at the waistline.
- Shoes should be worn at all times.
- Flags shall not be worn as capes.

Cheerleading, sports, and other school directed uniforms are allowed to be worn at school, for spirit days, pep rallies, approved school functions, events, and other district sponsored activities.

Interpretation and Implementation of Policy

The building principal shall use reasonable discretion in interpreting and implementing the provisions of this policy. If a conflict arises, the interpretation of the building principal shall be final.

Enforcement

Teachers and administrators may deny class entrance to students dressed or otherwise adorned inappropriately until arrangements may be made for their dress to be in compliance with this policy. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be notified when a student is in violation of this policy and no remedy is available. Students who are insubordinate or refuse to change their improper attire, or who repeat dress code violations shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Temporary Exceptions

In order to allow appropriate attire for a particular educational or school activity or event, the building principal has the authority to grant temporary exceptions to specific provisions of this policy.

Accommodations

The District will seek to accommodate cultural, religious, and ethnic differences in dress and grooming, provided such dress or grooming does not materially or substantially disrupt the educational process of the school or create a health or safety hazard for students, staff, or others.

No student shall be required to modify their natural head or facial hair, such as by shaving or straightening through the application of heat or chemicals (*See Richards v Thurston*, 304 F. Supp. 449, 1969).

Cross Reference
3330 Student Discipline

Legal References:

I.C. § 33-506 District Trustees - Organization and Government of Board of Trustees
I.C. § 33-512 District Trustees - Governance of Schools

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