

Students

Dress and Grooming

The Amity Regional School District No. 5 (ARSD) Board of Education's policy on student dress is a statement of principles, not of particulars:

Student dress shall be clean and neat; it shall not be disruptive to the educational process, nor shall it be detrimental to health and safety.

The administration shall have the responsibility for enforcing the above policy through judging each case of possible infraction on its own. In all other instances, students, in consultation with and with the approval of their parents, shall have responsibility for determining their own dress. Attire or grooming depicting or advocating violence, criminal activity, use of alcohol or drugs, profanity, pornography, or hate speech is prohibited.

School staff shall enforce the dress code consistently and in a manner that does not reinforce or increase marginalization or oppression of any group based on race, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, cultural observance, household income, or body type/size.

School-directed changes to a student's attire or grooming should be the least restrictive and disruptive to the student's school day. Any school dress code enforcement actions should minimize the potential loss of educational time. Enforcement of the dress code shall be gender neutral.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
 10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rules