



# Oxnard Union High School District

**SECTION 4000  
PERSONNEL**

**BOARD POLICY  
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## **DRESS AND GROOMING**

The Governing Board believes that appropriate dress and grooming by district employees contribute to a productive learning environment and model positive behavior. During school hours and at school activities, employees shall maintain professional standards of dress and grooming that demonstrate their high regard for education, present an image consistent with their job responsibilities and assignment, and do not endanger the health or safety of employees or students. All employees shall be held to the same standards unless their assignment provides for modified dress as approved by their supervisor.

The district shall allow employees to appear and dress in a manner consistent with their gender identity or gender expression. (Government Code 12949)

The district shall not discriminate against employees based on hair texture and protective hairstyles, including, but not limited to, braids, locks, and twists. (Government Code 12926)

The district shall not dismiss an employee, discriminate against an employee in compensation or in terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, or refuse to hire a job applicant on the basis of religious dress or grooming practices. (Government Code 12926, 12940)

This policy shall be presented to employees upon employment, through the employee handbook or other appropriate means, and may be periodically reviewed with all employees as necessary.

### Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

#### GOVERNMENT CODE

- 12926 Definitions
- 12940 Unlawful discriminatory employment practices
- 12949 Dress standards, consistency with gender identity
- 3543.2 Scope of representation

#### CA DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING PUBLICATION

Transgender Rights in the Workplace

### Management Resources:

#### COURT DECISIONS

- San Mateo City School District v. PERB (1983) 33 Cal. 3d 850
- Domico v. Rapides Parish School Board (5th Cir. 1982) 675 F.2d 100
- East Hartford Education Assn. v. Board of Education (2d Cir. 1977) 562 F. 2d 856
- Finot v. Pasadena Board of Education (1967) 250 Cal.App.2d 189

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD DECISIONS

- Santa Ana Unified School District (1998) 22 PERC P29, 136
- Inglewood Unified School District (1985) 10 PERC P17, 000

#### WEB SITES

- California Public Employment Relations Board
- California Department of Fair Employment and Housing

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