STUDENT DRESS

Students are expected to adhere to standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with a safe and respectful school learning environment. The Board has established the following specific restrictions and requirements for student dress. In addition, building administrators are authorized to impose additional restrictions when, in their judgment, a student's dress disrupts the educational process or poses a threat to health or safety.

<u>Headwear</u> - Caps, hats, hoods, bandanas and sports or winter headbands are not to be worn inside school buildings.

<u>Coats and Jackets</u> - Coats and jackets intended for outdoor wear cannot be brought to class except by permission of the teacher.

<u>Pants, Shorts, Skirts, Dresses</u> - Clothing shall be neat and clean, and appropriate for an educational setting. Revealing apparel (including but not limited to basketball jerseys, tank tops, gym shorts, halter tops, tube tops, tops with spaghetti straps, and very short skirts and shorts) are not allowed. Baggy clothing that could present a safety risk to the student or could be used to conceal weapons or other contraband is not allowed.

<u>Clothing with Logos, Pictures or Messages</u> - No references to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sexual activity, or illegal acts are allowed. The school administration has the authority to prohibit other logos, pictures or messages which they determine to be in violation of the Board's nondiscrimination or harassment policies, or disruptive to the school's learning environment.

<u>Jewelry and Accessories</u> - No jewelry or accessories that could be used as a weapon, mar or destroy school property, or pose a safety risk to the student or others will be allowed.

<u>Footwear</u> - Footwear must be worn at all times in school and should be appropriate for an educational setting. Athletic shoes with cleats or spikes are not allowed in school buildings outside of locker rooms.

Particular clothing may be required for health and safety reasons for students participating in physical education, certain extracurricular activities, work around machines or other activities.

Students who come to school dressed inappropriately will receive a warning, and depending upon the infraction, may be sent home to change. Any school time missed must be made up after school. Administrators have the authority to suspend students for severe and/or repeated infractions of the dress code. Infractions that directly interfere with the operations, discipline or general welfare of the school may be disciplined in accordance with other applicable Board policies.

This policy will be published annually in student handbooks.

Cross Reference: AC – Nondiscrimination

ACAA – Harassment/Sexual Harassment of Students

JK - Student Discipline

JIC – Student Code of Conduct

JICIA - Weapons, Violence and School Safety

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