

### **Stole District Requirements**

Please read the DISTRICT requirements for the optional Identity/Cultural Adornments (stole, etc). Ms. Goetz will have to pre-approve all cultural adornments. More information on approval will be provided at a later date. But if you are interested, you should start thinking about it now, and possibly even start creating it.

Adornment must meet the following general physical dimensions and characteristics:

- Can be worn around the neck or attached to one's graduation gown.
- TOTAL LENGTH: 64 inches or less
- WIDTH: 7 inches or less
- NO REFLECTIVE MATERIALS, such as sequins or glitter.
- No offensive messaging as defined in the dress code section of the Rights and Responsibilities Handbook including: items that pose a health or safety hazard, obscene, sexually explicit, discriminatory, racist, sexist, or otherwise derogatory, displays or references to alcohol, tobacco, or other products that are illegal for use by minors.
- No references to gang affiliations, firearms, or violence.
- No oversized words; each character cannot be larger than 1.5 inches tall or wide.
- Scented items are not allowed, so as not to cause a distraction or imposition for other graduation participants, including those with allergies or sensitivities. Artificial flowers should be used instead of real flowers.
- Items that threaten the dignity of the ceremony will not be approved.
- Personal identity adornments of the **graduation cap will not be allowed**, including tassels or decorating the mortarboard.
- Cultural adornments must be pre-approved by Mrs. Goetz prior to the date of graduation. Cultural adornments **cannot** be pre-approved/approved on the day of graduation.