

# ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES OF THE MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 8.20 UNIFORMS AND STUDENT DRESS CODE

### (1) PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for the wearing of school uniforms.

### (2) SCOPE

This policy applies to all students in traditional Milwaukee Public Schools.

### (3) ESTABLISHMENT OF POLICY UNIFORMS

(a) This policy shall be in effect beginning with the start of the fall semester of 2017. The school-uniform policy shall be in effect during the course of each school year. Students enrolled in the J-Term and/or summer school are not subject to this policy.

(b) There shall be established Basic Uniform Guidelines, which shall include district-wide uniform styles and colors. A student shall wear a uniform that complies with the Basic Uniform Guidelines, except that a school may select a school uniform color that a student may elect to wear in addition to the district-wide uniform color selections.

(c) A school shall notify each parent or guardian of a student to inform the parent or guardian of the uniform policy at least three months before the school's implementation of the uniform policy.

(d) A school may opt out of complying with the policy.

(e) The parent or guardian of a student may exempt the student from complying with the policy. A student that is exempt may not be penalized academically or otherwise discriminated against because the student's parent or guardian has chosen to exempt the student from complying with the policy.

(f) A school that has implemented this policy shall assist economically-disadvantaged students in obtaining uniforms.

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