

STUDENT PERSONNEL

Series 400

Policy Title . . . DRESS AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Code No. 443.1

Schools are responsible for the health and safety of all students during school times and events. In order to provide an environment that is safe, healthy and free of disruption, hostility, and distraction the following rules have been developed.

1. Footwear must be worn. Shoes that damage flooring will not be allowed.
2. The wearing or carrying of outerwear garments (including headwear) will not be permitted in the school. The building principal may make exceptions to this rule.
3. Students will wear safety or special purpose equipment whenever it is required. Any clothing or jewelry that could constitute a safety problem in any class will be prohibited by that instructor.
4. Clothing, jewelry or other items promoting alcohol, tobacco, or other illegal substances will not be permitted.
5. Any clothing or jewelry which is normally identified with a gang or gang related activity (inclusive of gang related colors if for purposes of gang identification) will not be permitted.
6. Clothing displaying print that is offensive in nature will not be permitted. Offensive print would include words, statements, or graphics referencing sexual activity, profanity, obscenity, violence, or race/ethnic slurs.

If in the judgment of a particular building's staff and administration a particular item of apparel is disruptive, a building may create its own policies regarding such apparel. If in the judgment of the administration the appearance of a student is distracting, offensive, or disruptive to the educational process or constitutes a health or safety hazard, that student will be asked to correct the problem. Failure to take corrective measures may result in disciplinary action up to and including parent contact, detention, suspension, and expulsion.

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