

STUDENTS

Student Dress

Matters of dress remain the primary concern of students in consultation with their parents. Preserving a beneficial learning environment and assuring the safety and well-being of all students are primary concerns of the board of directors.

Student dress or appearance shall neither create nor cause:

- A. A health or safety concern for the student or for other students;
- B. Damage to school property; or
- C. Material and substantial disruption of the educational process at the school.

For the purpose of this policy, a material and substantial disruption of the educational process may be found to exist when a student's conduct is inconsistent with any part of the educational mission of the school district. Prohibited conduct includes the wearing or use of lewd, sexual, discriminatory or harassing, drug, tobacco or alcohol-related messages or gang-related apparel and may constitute exceptional misconduct.

The uniforms of nationally recognized youth organizations, and clothing worn in observance of a student's religion, are not subject to this policy.

The superintendent shall establish procedures providing guidance to students, parents, and staff regarding appropriate student dress in school or while engaging in extracurricular activities. Such procedures shall ensure that any student wearing, carrying, or displaying gang-related apparel or exhibiting behavior or gestures which symbolize gang membership, or causing and/or participating in activities which intimidate or affect the attendance of another student shall be asked, with notice to his or her parents, to make appropriate corrections and be subject to discipline if the corrections are not undertaken.

Cross References:	Board Policy 3220	Freedom of Expression
Legal References:	RCW 28A.320.140	Schools with Special standards
	WAC 392-400-215	Student Rights
	392-400-225	School district rules defining misconduct

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