## Chapter 5.00 - Students

# Student Dress and Grooming 

## PROCEDURE:

1. Students shall wear modest clothing of such style and design consistent with community standards. The school dress code will be determined annually by each school's shared decision-making process and communicated to parents and student in a variety of ways. Appropriate student grooming and dress are primarily the responsibility of the student and parent, and all students are expected to comply with their school's dress code.
2. Schools are encouraged to include the following as minimum standards:
a) Students shall keep their clothes, bodies and hair clean and well groomed.
b) Clothing shall be worn as they are designed - suspenders over the shoulders, pants secured at the waist, belts buckled, no underwear as outerwear, no underwear exposed.
c) Frayed clothing and clothing with holes, tears or inappropriate patches will not be allowed.
d) Clothing that is too tight or revealing when standing, bending, sitting or moving is unacceptable.
e) Sexually implicit or explicit clothing, bikini and tank tops, and spandex clothing (kinds of clothing usually worn at beaches and while engaging in recreational activities) are not appropriate wearing apparel.
f) Garments and/or jewelry that display or suggest drugs, alcohol, weapons, tobacco, sex or vulgar related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruptions shall not be worn.
g) Jewelry shall be worn in a way that does not present a safety or health hazard or cause a major disruption to the educational process. Chains hanging from the neck, belt, pocket, or attached to the wallet are prohibited.
h) Gang paraphernalia, clothing, jewelry, tattoos or other insignias that display, suggest, provoke or may tend to provoke violence or disruptions are not allowed.
i) Footwear must be worn at all times.

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j) Clothing normally worn when participating in school sponsored extra curricular or sports activities may be worn to school when approved by the sponsor, coach or principal. (e.g. cheerleader, band uniforms, drill team, team shirts, etc.)
3. All school personnel shall encourage acceptable dress and shall provide guidance in these matters without embarrassment to the student. If a student's general attire or appearance does not comply with the school's dress/grooming code, the student will be requested to make the necessary changes.

