STUDENT DRESS

Preserving a beneficial learning environment and assuring the safety and well_-being of all students are primary concerns of the Board of Directors.

Students' choices in matters of dress should be made in consultation with their parents.

Student dress <u>willshall</u> only be regulated when, in the judgment of school administrators, there is a reasonable expectation that:

- A. A health or safety hazard <u>willshall</u> be presented by the student's dress or appearance including possible membership in a gang or hate groups;
- B. Damage to school property willshall result from the student's dress; or
- C. A material and substantial disruption of the educational process will result from the students' dress or appearance.

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 use of lewd, sexual, drug, tobacco or alcohol-related messages, or gang-related apparel.

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 <u>willshall</u> establish procedures providing guidance to students, parents, and staff regarding appropriate student dress in school or while engaging in extracurricular activities. Such procedures <u>willshall</u> 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 <u>willshall</u> 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 – Dress codes

WAC 392-400-215 Student Rights

WAC 392-400-225 School district rules defining misconduct – Distribution of Rules

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