Students

DRESS AND GROOMING

In cooperation with teachers, parents/guardians, students where appropriate, the principal or designee shall establish school rules governing student dress and grooming which are consistent with law, Governing Board policy and administrative regulations. These school dress codes shall be regularly reviewed.

(cf. - 0420 School Plans/Site Councils)

Each school site shall allow for articles of sun-protective clothing for outdoor use, including but not limited to hats, for outdoor use during the school day. (Education Code 35183.5)

Each school site shall allow students the use of sunscreen during the school day without a physician's note or prescription. Each school site may set a policy related to the use of sunscreen by students during the school day. School personnel are not required to assist students in applying sunscreen. (Education Code 35183.5)

Gang-Related Apparel

At individuals schools that have a dress code prohibiting gang-related apparel at school or school activities, the principal, staff, and parents/guardians participating in the development of the school safety plan shall define "gang-related apparel" and shall limit this definition to apparel that reasonably could be determined to threaten the health and safety of the school environment if it were worn or displayed on a school campus. (Education Code 32282)

Because gang-related symbols are constantly changing, definitions of gang-related apparel shall be reviewed at least once each semester and updated whenever related information is received.

Uniforms

In schools where a schoolwide uniform is required, the principal, staff, and parents/guardians of the individual school shall jointly select the specific uniform to be worn. (Education Code 35183(c))

At least six months before a school uniform policy is implemented, the principal or designee shall notify parents/guardians of this policy. (Education Code 35183)

Parents of children in the school will be surveyed to determine level of support for a schoolwide uniform policy.

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DRESS AND GROOMING (continued)

Students who participate in a nationally recognized youth organization shall be allowed to wear organization uniforms on days when the organization has a scheduled meeting. (Education Code 35183(g))

School sites shall establish criteria for determining student eligibility for financial assistance when purchasing uniforms. Principals shall ensure that resources are identified to assist economically disadvantaged students to obtain uniforms. As a means for reducing the overall costs of uniforms, each site with a uniform policy shall establish a method for recycling or exchanging uniforms as students grow out of them.

Parents may choose not to have their children comply with an adopted school uniform policy. No student shall be penalized academically, or otherwise discriminated against, nor denied attendance to school if the student's parents chose not to have the student comply with the school uniform policy. (Education Code 35183(f))

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