

## **STUDENT CONDUCT - DRESS CODE**

### **Policy FNCA (LEGAL) and FNCA (LOCAL)**

#### **PURPOSE**

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming, modesty, hygiene, self-respect and instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority.

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

Students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others. Except where a school-specific uniform policy has been adopted as provided in Policy FNCA Local), the student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the clothing and grooming standards described below and the following prohibitions:

- The District prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations. Any type of gang identifiers are strictly prohibited.
- The District prohibits pictures, emblems, or writing on clothing that 1) are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene; or 2) advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under FNCF (LEGAL).
- Any type of clothing (including T-shirts), jewelry, visible body markings or visible tattoos that advertise, glorify, or support lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene or profane language or gestures, gangs, illegal activities, tobacco, sex, alcohol, illegal drugs, or violence are not allowed.
- As a safety measure, all secondary students are required to wear their school issued identification badges.

#### **CLOTHING AND GROOMING STANDARDS**

- Jean/Pants – Ankle length pants must be appropriate size for wearer, not more than two sizes larger than the waist. Jeans with cut-outs/rips (openings that expose skin) cannot reveal skin more than two inches above the knee. If jeans are allowed under a school's specific uniform policy, the policy may prohibit or further limit cut-outs/rips. Hip-huggers must be worn with a blouse/shirt so as to not reveal any skin between them. Pants/shorts must be worn on the waist. Pant legs no wider than twelve inches. No "baggy" nor "sagging" pants are allowed.
- Tank tops with two-inch wide straps at the shoulder are allowed. Anything less than two inches wide is not permitted. Spaghetti straps, undershirts, fish net, muscle shirts, tube tops, bare midriffs, or tops with revealing necklines in front or back are not to be worn even if covered by an over blouse, jacket, or sweater. When appropriate, any shirt/blouse that has an extra shirrtail is to be tucked into pants/shorts/skirt.
- Head gear is not to be worn inside the building unless approved by the administration for medical or religious reasons.
- Short shorts or spandex shorts are not allowed. Shorts and skirts must be no shorter than two inches (2") above the knee. This includes skirt slits up the side, middle, back and front.
- Jewelry reflecting gangs, Gothic- or paramilitary-related items, including but not limited to rings, bracelets, or chokers, or chokers with spikes (rounded or pointed) are not allowed.
- Trench coats or raincoats that are ankle length are not allowed.
- Zippered or pull-over hoodies and sweaters may be allowed, but only as outerwear over other allowed clothing, and must be removed if asked to do so by campus staff for verification of uniform and/or safety searches. Any hood must remain unworn inside the building.
- House shoes, bedroom slippers are not allowed. Steel-toe shoes are not allowed, unless authorized and required for a class.

#### **SCHOOL-SPECIFIC UNIFORM POLICY**

A school may establish a school-specific uniform as provided in Policy FNCA (Local). Where such policy is silent as to dress or grooming standards, or when the school grants "free dress" for a specific day, the general district dress code shall apply.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate dress and grooming standards established for such an activity may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor, and may be subject to other disciplinary action, as specified in the Student Code of Conduct.

#### **Graduation Ceremony Dress Code**

Seniors are expected to wear the traditional cap and gown signifying successful completion of all requirements for graduation. Requests for approvals of religious, ceremonial, or cultural sashes, stoles, and leis must be made in advance to campus principal.

#### **VIOLATIONS**

If there is a violation, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem. If not corrected, the student shall be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day or until the problem is corrected. Repeated dress code violations may result in more serious disciplinary action. Appropriate discipline procedures shall be followed in all cases in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.