

STUDENT DRESS CODE

PURPOSE: To specify student dress/grooming requirements.

A student's style of dress and/or grooming may reflect individual preference; however, such preferences must be selected within the constraints of reasonable rules and appropriate standards that are consistent with the maintenance of an effective learning atmosphere and good personal hygiene. The Board expects each student's attire and grooming to promote a positive, safe and healthy environment within the school.

The Board has determined that reasonable regulation of school attire and personal adornment is within its authority and consistent with its responsibility to provide an appropriate environment for learning. Although the Board recognizes that individual students have a right to free expression, that right must be balanced with the Board's responsibility to provide a safe, secure and orderly educational environment for all students.

Although the Board wishes for each student to accept responsibility for following the rules in regulation 2601-R, "Student Dress Code," it understands and appreciates both the authority and responsibility of the parent/guardian relative to student dress. The Board solicits the support of parents/guardians in the enforcement of its dress code.

The Superintendent or designee will develop and publish the rules in accordance with this policy.

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Legal Reference: 770 O.S. Section 6-144