

Wenatchee School District - Student Dress Policy #3224

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 shall only be regulated when, in the judgment of school administrators, there is a reasonable expectation that:

- A. A health or safety hazard shall be presented by the student's dress or appearance.
- B. Damage to school property or injury to others could 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 obscene, sexual, drug or alcohol-related messages, gang-related apparel, or dress of the opposite sex**

In addition to the dress regulations outlined in district policy #3224, the district has established dress standards that identify and restrict specific clothing articles for student dress. The following dress standards apply to all students grades K-12 in the school district.

DRESS STANDARDS

1. **Head Coverings - The wearing of any covering over the head is prohibited.** This includes, but is not limited to, hats, bandanas, scarves, hairnets, etc.
2. **Clothing articles that inappropriately reveal body areas of the shoulder, back, chest, waist and upper thighs are prohibited.** This includes, but is not limited to, tank tops, halter tops, midriff shirts, skirts and shorts above mid thigh, cutoffs which are not hemmed, exposed underwear/undergarments, holes in clothing exposing inappropriate body areas.
3. **Clothing and/or other accessories that would be considered a safety hazard or could result in injury to the individual or others, and that would be considered a disruption to the learning environment are prohibited.** This includes, but is not limited to, chains, sharp protruding objects affixed to necklaces, collars, bracelets and rings, sunglasses, portable cassette/CD players and headphones.

DRESS FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The principal, in connection 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 if the principal reasonably believes that the student's dress or grooming:

- A. Creates a hazard to the student's safety or to the safety of others.
- B. Shall prevent, interfere with or adversely affect the purpose, direction, or effort required for the activity to achieve its goals.