## **Board File: JICA**

## **STUDENT DRESS**

The Board recognizes that responsibility for the dress and appearance of students generally rests with individual students and their parents. Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for all school activities. The Board recognizes that students have a right to express themselves through dress and personal appearance; however, students shall not wear apparel that is deemed disruptive or potentially disruptive to the classroom environment or to the maintenance of a safe and orderly school. The following general standards are deemed necessary to the maintenance of a safe and orderly school environment and will be in effect and applicable to student dress and appearance in school buildings, on school grounds, or at school activities:

1. Reasonable cleanliness of wearing apparel is expected as a matter of general health and welfare.

2. To avoid injury and disease, shoes, sandals, or boots must be worn in the buildings.

3. To reduce the risk of transmission of communicable diseases, including COVID-19, when directed by District rules, students must wear face coverings while at school and while participating in any school related activity (unless the student cannot medically tolerate the face covering).

4. Beach or swim wear and items of clothing intended to be worn while participating in athletics are inappropriate except in the gym and on athletic fields.

5. Dress that causes or is likely to cause disruption of the educational process is prohibited.

6. Wearing apparel that interferes with or endangers the student while he/she is participating in classroom or other school-sponsored activities is prohibited. The decision as to the safety or unsuitability of the clothing is a matter for the instructor's or school administrator's judgment.

7. Pupils must not wear hats or dark glasses in the building without permission from an administrator.

8. Any manner of grooming or apparel, including clothing, jewelry, hats, emblems, and badges, which by virtue of color, arrangement, trademark, or other attribute is associated with or denotes membership in or affiliation with any gang, will not be allowed. The prohibition on gang-related apparel shall be applied at the discretion of building-level administrators after consultation with the superintendent or designee as the need arises at individual schools. (See District Policy JICF, Gang-Related Behaviors and Dress.)

Subject to approval of the superintendent or designee, principals may establish additional specific standards for their own schools so long as such specific standards do not in any way conflict with safety, health and welfare standards and dress and appearance requirements

established by the District. These standards will be published and distributed to students and a copy will be filed with the administration and posted in each school building in accordance with District Policy JIC/JICDA.

Disciplinary action for violation of any standard will include notification of the violation, the requirement that the clothing be changed before re-entering class, and, at the discretion of the building-level administrator, a parental conference. More severe disciplinary consequences, including suspension or expulsion, may result from repeated or serious violations.

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**LEGAL REF.:** C.R.S. 22-32-109.1(2)(a)(IX)

## **CROSS REFS.:**

JI/JIA, Student Rights and Responsibilities/Due Process Rights JICF, Gang-Related Behaviors and Dress JKD/JKE, Student Suspension, Expulsion, and Classroom Removal