

SNOWFLAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE POLICY

Dear Parents,

Each year children's clothing styles change. This year is not different. Unfortunately, some of the present popular styles run counter to the district dress code policy. Please take a moment to review the district's dress code policy, which is written in bold print below. If your child has clothes that do not conform to the policy outlined below, please make certain that he or she does not wear those clothes to school. If you have any questions relative to the policy, please feel free to call the school for clarification.

The Governing Board recognizes that the appropriate clothing worn by students contributes to the accomplishment of curriculum goals and the district's education program as formulated by the District and mandated by the State Statutes. The board also recognized that students dress and grooming practices could affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the students. At the same time, the board recognizes that the mode of dress and grooming practices by an individual are a manifestation of personal style and preference. Therefore, the board shall endeavor not to interfere with the rights of the students and parents or guardians to make decisions regarding personal dress and grooming practices except when the choices affect the curriculum goals, the educational program of the District, or the health, safety, or general welfare of the student and others.

The Board authorizes the superintendent to promulgate and enforce school regulations prohibiting students' dress or grooming practices that:

- 1. Present a hazard to the health, safety, or general welfare of the students or others in the school.**
- 2. Materially interfere with schoolwork or create disorder**
- 3. Are counterproductive to or disruptive in the learning process.**
- 4. Clothing with inappropriate or immodest slogans or pictures (pertaining to subjects such as alcohol, cigarettes, illegal substance, profanity, vulgarity or indecency.)**
- 5. Immodestly exposes the chest, abdomen, genital areas, upper leg and buttocks.**

The following is a non - exclusive list that are not acceptable:

- a. Shorts that are shorter than mid-thigh**
- b. Hats in the classroom, cafeteria, office area**
- c. Intentional slits, holes, or ragged clothing**
- d. Skirts that are shorter than two inches above the top of the kneecap**
- e. Tank tops, crop tops, tops with spaghetti straps, ect.**
- f. Swimsuits**
- g. Spandex shorts**

The Governing Board's position is to foster high standards of personal appearance. Extreme styles not addressed in the policy will be evaluated in terms of their effect upon the student body, faculty and/or educational process. Student appearance should be neat, clean modest and encourage a good wholesome self-image.

ANY STUDENT WHO'S APPEARANCE IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY MUST COMPLY BEFORE ATTENDING CLASSES.