

# COUNCIL ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: DRESS AND GROOMING

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218.5. DRESS AND GROOMING	
<p>1. Purpose SC 1317.3 Title 22 Sec. 12.11</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that each student's mode of dress and grooming is a manifestation of personal style and individual preference. The Board will not interfere with the right of students and their parents/guardians to make decisions regarding their appearance except when their choices affect the educational program of the schools or the health and safety of others.</p>
<p>2. Authority</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.11</p>	<p>The Board authorizes the Superintendent to enforce school regulations prohibiting student dress or grooming practices which present a hazard to the health or safety of the student or to others in the school; materially interfere with school work, create disorder, or disrupt the educational program; cause excessive wear or damage or create a hazard to school property; and prevent the student from achieving his/her own educational objectives because of blocked vision or restricted movement.</p> <p>Students may be required to wear certain types of attire while participating in physical education classes, Industrial Technology classes, extra-curricular activities, or other situations, including the normal school routines, where special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student or protect the condition of school property.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this policy which designate the administrator to monitor student dress and grooming in his/her building.</p>
<p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p>Council Rock students are urged to emphasize cleanliness, neatness, and good taste in their dress and grooming habits. In an effort to maintain an atmosphere that is most conducive to learning, student attire is expected to be appropriate for school. Appropriate dress is that which is not lewd, or plainly offensive, nor does it present a safety hazard to person or property, or a disruption to the learning environment.</p>

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<p>Pol. 218.4</p>	<p>Students will be required to adhere to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Students are not permitted to wear extremely brief garments such as tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, and plunging necklines (front and back). See through garments are not acceptable. Backs and midsections must be covered at all times.</li><li>2. All shorts and skirts should be an appropriate length for school.</li><li>3. Students are not permitted to wear muscle shirts or pants below the waist.</li><li>4. Underwear must be completely covered with outer clothing.</li><li>5. Clothing should not include items that display profanity, vulgarity, gang references, expression prohibited by Board Policy 218.4, references to alcohol, tobacco, drugs/drug paraphernalia, or other illegal activity.</li><li>6. Pajama tops and/or bottoms are not permitted, except when specifically permitted as part of a school designated “pajama day”.</li><li>7. Footwear must be worn at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard is not allowed.</li><li>8. For the health, safety, and welfare of everyone, students are not permitted to wear unusually long chains (typically/traditionally used to secure wallet to belt loop) around waist, between pockets, or around the neck. Jewelry with sharp, protruding studs is unacceptable. Students are also not permitted to wear animal choker collars.</li><li>9. A student’s grooming shall not pose a health or safety hazard to him/herself or to others or to school district property.</li></ol> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1317.3</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.11</p> <p>Board Policy – 325, 425, 525</p>
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