



REGULATIONS

SUBJECT: Student Dress Code

1. The principal/designate will review the school's dress code annually with students, school staff, volunteers working in schools, school council members and parents/guardians.
2. The review process is designed to enable a majority of parents, through their school councils, to have input on what an appropriate dress code policy should be in their own school.
3. The school's student dress code will relate to fostering a safe and respectful learning and teaching environment.
4. The school dress code will be consistent with the Human Rights Code and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms (e.g. disability, religious beliefs).
5. Expectations will be stated for student compliance with the school dress code policy and will take into consideration local circumstances and the principal's authority under the Education Act.
6. If a significant change in the dress code (e.g. implementation of uniforms) is being considered a consensual approach is recommended but a vote may be used. If a vote is used, a majority of parents is defined at 70% of the parents/guardians (one vote per family) of registered students in the school. Issues of affordability will be addressed in the process.
7. No student will be denied access to school as a result of inability to afford appropriate clothing required by a school's dress code.

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