



Book	BHASD Policies
Section	200 Pupils
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### **Purpose**

The Board recognizes that each student's mode of dress and grooming is a manifestation of personal style and individual preference.

### **Authority**

The Board will not interfere with the right of students and their parents/guardians to make decisions regarding their appearance, except when their choices disrupt the educational program of the schools or affect the health and safety of others.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

The Board has the authority to impose limitations on students' dress in school. Students may be required to wear certain types of clothing while participating in physical education classes, technical education, extracurricular activities, or other situations where special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student.[\[2\]](#)

### **Delegation of Responsibility**

The Board authorizes the building principal or designee to monitor student dress and grooming and enforce school rules prohibiting student dress or grooming practices which:

1. Present a hazard to the health or safety of the student or to others in the school.
2. Materially interfere with school work, create disorder, or disrupt the educational program.
3. Cause excessive wear or damage to school property.
4. Prevent the student from achieving educational objectives because of blocked vision or restricted movement.

### **Guidelines**

Guidelines will be developed for appropriate attire and implemented at the building level.

Staff members shall be instructed to demonstrate by example positive attitudes toward neatness, cleanliness, propriety, modesty, and good sense in attire and appearance.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all rules implementing this policy impose only the minimum necessary restrictions on the exercise of the student's taste and individuality.[\[2\]](#)

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[1. 24 P.S. 1317.3](#)

[2. 22 PA Code 12.11](#)

3. Pol. 325