

5511 DRESS AND GROOMING

The Swedesboro-Woolwich Board of Education 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 to make decisions regarding their appearance, except when their choices affect the educational program of the schools.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to enforce school regulations prohibiting student dress or grooming practices which:

1. Present a hazard to the health or safety of the student himself/herself 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; and
4. Prevents the student from achieving his/her own educational objectives because of blocked vision or restricted movement.

Specific guidelines for student dress include the following:

1. Clothing which advertises alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and/or displays inappropriate language or messages is not permitted.
2. Hats, caps and head coverings are not to be worn in the building without the specific prior approval of the Building Principal.
3. Students must wear shoes at all times. Flip-flops are not permitted due to health and safety concerns. All sandals must have a back.
4. Torn and tattered clothing may not be worn.
5. Oversized tank tops and tube tops are not permitted.
6. Halter tops, see through shirts/blouses and midriff tops are not permitted.
7. Cut off shorts and boxer shorts are not permitted.
8. Micro miniskirts and oversized pants are not permitted.
9. Shoulder straps for all tops must be at least three fingers wide.
10. Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this policy.

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