221. DRESS AND GROOMING

1. Purpose

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

2. Authority

SC 1317.3

The Joint Operating Committee has the authority to impose limitations on students' dress in school.

Title 22 Sec. 12.11

The Joint Operating Committee 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 school or affect the health and safety of others.

Pol. 220

When student dress may constitute student expression, Policy 220 Student Expression shall apply.

Title 22 Sec. 12.11

Students may be required to wear certain types of clothing while participating in certain technical programs, extracurricular activities, or other situations where special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student.

3. Delegation of Responsibility

The building administrator or designee shall be responsible to monitor student dress and grooming and enforce school rules governing student dress and grooming.

Title 22 Sec. 12.11

The Administrative Director 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.

Pol. 325, 425, 525

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

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1317.3

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.11
Joint Operating Committee Policy – 220, 325, 425, 525