

**Policy**

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DRESS & GROOMING

The Little Silver 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 parent(s) or legal guardian(s) 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:

- A. Present a hazard to the health or safety of the student himself/herself or to others in the school;
- B. Materially interfere with schoolwork, create disorder, or disrupt the educational program;
- C. Cause excessive wear or damage to school property; or
- D. Prevent the student from achieving his/her own educational objectives because of blocked vision or restricted movement.

The superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this policy.

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Key Words

Dress, Grooming, Attire

**Legal References:** N.J.S.A. 18A.11-1 General mandatory powers and duties

**Possible**

**Cross References:** \*5131 Student Conduct and Discipline  
\*5142 Student Safety

\*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.