LACKAWANNA TRAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: DRESS AND GROOMING

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1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that a student dress policy is an essential aspect of creating a school environment that is safe, conducive to learning, and free from unnecessary disruption.
	The intent of the Lackawanna Trail School District Student Dress Policy is to ensure that students dress appropriately, are not disruptive to the educational process, and do not in any way compromise the safety and security of the school. The purpose of this policy is to improve the academic environment, reduce disciplinary problems as they relate to incidents of violence, bullying, and safety in general.
2. Authority SC 1317.3	The Board has the authority to impose limitations on students' dress in school.
Title 22 Sec. 12.11	Students may be required to wear certain types of clothing while participating in physical education classes, technical education, extracurricular activities, or other
333.12.11	situations where special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student.
3. Delegation of Responsibility	The Board authorizes the building principal or designee to monitor student dress and grooming and enforce Board policy and school rules governing student dress and grooming.
4. Guidelines	Lackawanna Trail School District Student Dress Policy
	Student Dress Requirements
	All articles of student dress must be appropriately sized to the student and worn properly. Clothing must not be excessively loose or tight. STUDENTS MAY NOT ADD TO, NOR SUBTRACT FROM, THE APPROVED STUDENT DRESS POLICY. Also, student clothing must be maintained in good condition, without holes, rips or tear, or additions.
	The following guidelines apply:

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Pants: All pants must be solid color secured at the waist by a belt, snap, button, elastic, Velcro, zipper or the like. Cargo pants, excessively baggy or tight pants, extra-wide, long or full pants, military pants (fatigues), sweat pants, wind pants, yoga pants, and tight fitting athletic pants are not permitted * Elementary students may wear sweatpants /wind pants on gym days only.

Skirts, Skorts, and Dresses: Skirt, skort, and dress lengths should range from 2 inches above the knee to lengths not longer than the ankle These items are permissible in solids, stripes, plaids, and patterns. Dresses do not need to have a collar. (May be worn by female students only)

Shorts: All shorts may be a solid, stripes, plaids or patterns and of a formal/dress style. Shorts must be secured at the waist by a belt, snap, button, elastic, Velcro, zipper or the like and should be no shorter than two (2) inches above the knee. Gym shorts, spandex, jean shorts, fatigues or the like are not permitted. Cargo shorts are permitted. **Elementary students may wear gym shorts on gym days only. **

Capris: Solid color and must be of a formal/dress style. (May be worn by female students only)

Shirts: A collared, button-down shirt, dress or golf-style shirt is acceptable. All shirts must have a collar. Solids, stripes, plaids, and patterns are permissible. Shirt must have sleeves and long or short sleeves are acceptable. Shirts may not have more than two (2) buttons unbuttoned at the throat. A t-shirt, long sleeve t-shirt or turtleneck may be worn underneath an approved shirt. **Elementary students may wear t-shirts (with no visible writing or pictures other than those defined in logo/spirit day sections) on gym days only. **

Sweaters: Crew, turtleneck, V-neck sweaters or cardigan sweaters or sweater vests are acceptable. Solids, stripes, plaids, and patterns are permissible. A shirt or turtleneck may be worn underneath the sweater.

Sweatshirts: Crewneck sweatshirts may be worn. Solids, stripes, plaids, and patterns are permissible. No hooded sweatshirts are allowed. A shirt or turtleneck may be worn underneath the sweatshirt. Zip up sweatshirts must be zipped unless there is a collared shirt beneath the zip up (that conforms to shirt guidelines).

Turtlenecks: Turtlenecks may only be worn under a sweater or sweatshirt. Turtleneck sweaters may be worn independently.

All clothing must maintain modesty expectations. Any tops that expose a bare midriff, shoulders, back or chest are prohibited.

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Shoes: Students shall wear dress shoes or sneakers. Flip flops, rubber or plastic beach type shoes are not permitted. Any footwear that presents a safety issue will be prohibited. Socks must be worn if the style of the shoe is closed toe. Tights or nylons may be worn by females only. Shoes with wheels of any type are not permitted.

Boys Formal Attire: Men's or boy's suits or sport coats with solid pants, dress shoes, dress shirt and tie (in accordance with all other aspects of the dress policy).

Girls' Formal Attire: Women's or girl's dresses or suits (in accordance with all other aspects of the dress policy). A sweater or blazer can be added to formal attire to meet the modesty expectations of the dress policy. A blouse may be worn if it meets modesty expectations. (without collar)

Other: Sunglasses, scarves, jackets, coats, head-coverings, bandanas and outerwear are not permitted during the school day. Headbands are permissible.

Logos, Writing, or Pictures: No clothing may have printing, sayings, scenes, or the like unless specifically permitted as described in this policy. Clothing may have "Lackawanna Trail" logos or any approved Trail affiliated logos. Manufacturer's logos that identify the manufacturer or brand present on these items at the time of purchase, 3" x 3" or smaller, are permitted. NO other self-made, manufactured or constructed logos are permitted.

Spirit Days: On Spirit Days, "Lackawanna Trail" logos are permitted on all items of student dress and are not limited in size. The item of clothing, however, may not contain any other advertisements (i.e., local businesses). *Spirit Days will be designated and communicated by administration.*

All articles of clothing must be worn neatly and sized appropriately for the student and be in accordance with this policy. Final determination of conformity to this dress policy shall be made by the administration and/or his/her designee(s) who at the time is immediately in charge. The administration reserves the right to make judgments when necessary regarding appropriate dress to ensure conformity and consistency.

Students who violate the student dress policy will be subject to the disciplinary consequences listed below.

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5. Pol. 204 SC 510, 1318

Discipline consequences:

For each student dress policy violation described below the administration reserves the right to elevate the level of an offense dependent upon its severity. Parent contact will be made for each violation. Regardless of the level or consequence the student may not return to class unless he/she conforms to the policy.

First Offense: Warning (written)

Second Offense: Level I detention

<u>Third Offense:</u> Level II detention

Fourth Offense: Level III (ISS or OSS)

References:

School Code — 24 P.S. Sec(s). 510, 1317.3, 1318 State Board of Education Regulations — 22 PA Code Sec. 12.11 Board Policy — 204