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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the upcoming tax-free weekend, we kindly request your support in ensuring that the items you purchase for your children adhere to our school's dress code. This policy is designed to promote grooming and hygiene, prevent disruptions, minimize safety hazards, and maintain a positive learning environment. Here are some key guidelines to keep in mind:

- Distracting Attire: Outfits that are too short, revealing, low-cut, see-through, or backless, and underwear-styled garments worn as outerwear are not permitted.
- Head Coverings: Hats or head coverings are not allowed inside school buildings.
- Decorative Items: Avoid suggestive or inappropriately located patches, insignia, or clothing with improper advertising, pictures, slogans, or statements.
- Hate Speech/Imagery: Clothing or accessories depicting hate speech or imagery are strictly prohibited.
- Gang-Related Items: No paraphernalia indicating or promoting gang membership.
- Sunglasses: Not allowed inside the building.
- Footwear: Appropriate shoes are required.
- Hair: Must be clean and groomed; distracting hairstyles are not allowed.
- Facial Hair: Should be neatly groomed and not distracting.
- Tattoos: Must be covered in a non-disruptive manner.
- Orthodontic Appliances: Only if prescribed by a medical professional.
- Military Uniforms: Only permitted for school-approved activities.

- Flags: The American or any State flag should not be worn in a disrespectful manner.
- Safety: Clothing and accessories must not endanger student or staff safety.
- Specialized Courses: May require specific attire like sports uniforms or safety gear.
- DAEP Uniform: Includes khaki pants, a solid color belt, a white, gray, or black collared shirt, and matching shoes.

If a student's attire or grooming is found to be in violation of the dress code, they will have an opportunity to correct it at school. If not possible, we will work with you to provide an acceptable change of clothing to minimize instructional time loss. Repeated or severe offenses may lead to more serious disciplinary actions per the Student Code of Conduct.

Your cooperation is vital in helping us maintain a conducive learning environment. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Sincerely,

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