

STUDENTS

Student Appearance

A student's appearance, including dress and hygiene, must not disrupt the educational process, or compromise reasonable standards of health and safety. The District does not prohibit hairstyles historically associated with race, ethnicity, or hair texture, including, but not limited to, protective hairstyles such as braids, locks, and twists. The District also does not prohibit the right of a student to wear or accessorize the student's graduation attire with items associated with the student's cultural, ethnic, or religious identity or other characteristic or category protected under the Ill. Human Rights Act, 775 ILCS 5/1-103(Q). Students who disrupt the educational process or compromise standards of health and safety must modify their appearance. Definitions and examples of appropriate dress and grooming are included in the *Student Handbook*.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-22.25b.
Tinker v. Des Moines Independent School Dist., 89 S.Ct. 733 (1969).

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