

SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BP 5132.5

Students

K-8 Mandatory Uniform Dress

The Governing Board believes that appropriate dress and grooming contributes to a productive learning environment. The Board expects students to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to wear clothes that are suitable for school activities in which they participate. Students' clothing must not cause a distraction to school activities, create a hazard to safety of the student or others, and may not invade the rights of others.

The Board recognizes that, to promote student safety and discourage theft, peer rivalry and/or gang activity, a reasonable dress code, including a uniform policy, may be implemented at school sites (E.C. 35183).

In accordance with this belief, students in all K-8 schools of the District shall be required to dress according to mandatory uniform policy regulations unless they have an exemption. Students whose parents have exempted them from this policy must adhere to the previously established dress code guidelines which requires all students to wear proper and appropriate dress while in attendance at school, in participation in school classes, including physical education, and at school sponsored activities. (cf. 5132 - Dress and Grooming)

Schools shall develop a student uniform dress and personal grooming plan to be submitted to the Board for approval.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

	35181	Pupils responsibilities; hearings; findings; policy statements
	35183	School dress codes; uniforms
	35291	Rules
48900-48900.6	Grounds for suspension or expulsion	
	48907	Student exercise of free expression
	48908	Duties of pupils
	48950	Freedom of speech; students' remedies
	48980	Notice at beginning of term; rights and responsibilities of parent/guardian
48984	Activates prohibited unless notice given	

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