## Dallas County Schools DRESS CODE

No student shall have the right to dress or appear at school or at school functions in a manner which disrupts the educational or instructional program. When the dress or appearance of an individual disrupts the educational or instruction program, or adversely affects school discipline the Principal has the authority and obligation to take such disciplinary action as may be necessary to correct the particular problem. Each school may adopt appropriate dress codes and present the same to the Superintendent for review and approval.

Good grooming and personal appearance are essential elements in the teaching and learning processes. Students shall therefore comply with the following minimum guidelines: (i) students must be neatly dressed, clean, and well groomed while at school; (ii) shoes or sandals must be worn; (iii) hair must be clean and well groomed, not in the eyes, and not of length dangerous around equipment; (iv) clothing or paraphernalia related to or associated with gang affiliation or activity is prohibited; (vi) clothing with pictures, symbols, or writing conveying a general or personal message rather than a specific message on a public matter is prohibited; and (vii) hats, head wear, or head coverings and sunglasses are prohibited.

With approval of the Principal, activity sponsors may establish different rules for dress and grooming as a prerequisite for membership and participation in specific activities. Adopted 9/1/99