## BRISTOL BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: SCHOOL UNIFORMS

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	221.1. SCHOOL UNIFORMS
1. Purpose Pol. 221	The Board recognizes the right of every student to freedom of expression, both in speech and the wearing of apparel, as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution and the U.S. Supreme Court.
	The Board also recognizes its paramount obligation to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the students who attend its schools.
	The Board further recognizes its responsibility to maintain a positive learning environment in the schools under its jurisdiction and to minimize the opportunity for student distraction and/or disruption.
	The Board believes that a policy of standard dress will address the issues related to the health, safety, and welfare of the students attending its schools and will further aid in the maintenance of a positive learning environment.
2. Authority SC 1317.3	The legal authority for this policy is Section 1317.3 Uniforms of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended.
	The Board authorizes the Superintendent to enforce school regulations limiting student dress in order to:
	1. Increase school safety and provide for the health and welfare of its students.
	2. Promote a school and learning environment which focuses on instruction and learning.
	3. Promote school pride and school spirit.
	The actual school uniform for students in K-8 will commence the first day of school during the 2010-11 school year.

3. Guidelines	MALE STUDENTS
	Bottoms
	Solid colored tan, black, dark navy blue or khaki pants or shorts of the appropriate size and properly fitted for the student. No baggy, low-riding or cargo-type pants will be permitted.
	<u>Tops</u>
	Solid colored red, white or gray golf-type shirt with collar either short or long sleeve. In cold weather a solid colored red, white or gray sweater/sweatshirt without a hood may also be worn. All shirts must be tucked in and properly fitted. School spirited shirts are permitted.
	Foot Apparel
	Dress shoes or athletic (black or white) shoes shall be permitted at the student's option. All shoes with laces must be tied.
	FEMALE STUDENTS
	Bottoms
	Solid colored tan, dark black, dark navy blue or khaki pants, shorts, skirt, or skort of the appropriate size and properly fitted for the student. No baggy, low-riding or cargo-type pants will be permitted.
	Tops
	Solid colored red, white or gray golf-type shirt with collar or similar blouse either short or long sleeve. In cold weather a solid colored red, white or gray sweater/sweatshirt without a hood may also be worn. All shirts/blouses must be tucked in and properly fitted. School spirit shirts are permitted.
	Foot Apparel
	Dress shoes or athletic (black or white) shoes shall be permitted at the student's option. All shoes with laces must be tied.

The Board makes known the sanctions that will be rendered upon those students who refuse to conform to this policy requiring school uniforms. The sanctions are as follows:
Consequences For Noncompliance
First Offense –
1. Student brought to the principal's office.
2. Parents/Guardians immediately notified of the problem.
3. Conference held by principal with parent/guardian.
4. Student will be required to change into the uniform brought to school by the parent/guardian.
Second Offense –
1. Repeat procedures as listed in first offense.
2. Elementary school student will lose recess privileges for three (3) days.
3. Middle school student will receive three (3) days detention.
Third Offense –
1. Repeat procedures as listed in first offense.
2. Elementary school student suspended from school for one (1) day.
3. Middle school student suspended from school for two (2) days.
Fourth Offense –
1. Repeat procedures as listed in first offense.
2. Conference held by superintendent and principal with parent/guardian to discuss expulsion and or compliance with uniform policy.

Parents/Guardians must be mindful that dress which may be distractive or disruptive to the learning process will not be tolerated. Any student violating this dress code will be addressed in accordance with the Consequences For Noncompliance portion of this policy. School administrators have the final responsibility for interpretation and enforcement of dress should any anomaly exist. School administrators may give permission for students to dress outside the parameters of the dress code guidelines on planned or special event occasions. Examples may include, but are not limited to, field trips and pep assemblies. Dress on these days shall still be consistent with the intent and spirit of the Standardized Dress Policy.
GYM UNIFORMS
School students are to adhere to the policy already established by the Health/Physical Education Department.
Although not mandatory, elementary school students are permitted to wear red, gray or black sweatpants on gym day.
<u>Clarifications</u>
1. No sweatpants (other then gym class/day) or hooded sweatshirts anytime.
2. No warm ups of any fabric.
3. Headwear, other than for religious purposes, may not be worn in the building.
4. No cargo pants.
5. No spandex, nylon, or stretch material.
6. The adopted Bristol Borough School District uniform must be worn.
7. No exposed mid-riffs.
8. Teams may wear their game shirts on the day of a game, or on Friday, if the game is on Saturday.
9. A collared shirt must be worn under the shirt.
10. No ripped or torn clothing will be permitted.
11. Tight, form-fitting pants are not permitted.

12. Bottoms must be worn at natural waist and fit comfortably.
13. Undergarments must not be visible.
14. All clothing must be appropriately sized for the student, that is, they are to be no more than one (1) regular size larger than the student actually measures. No long/baggy shirts permitted. No prints, stripes, patterns, etc. are permitted.
15. Head gear may not be worn in the building, including but not limited to caps, hats, scarves, bandannas, hair nets, head bands, or do-rags. Hair bands of approved colors are permitted. (Red, gray, white or black).
16. Clothing, hats, hair ornaments or implements, or any other materials which are considered to indicate gang affiliation are prohibited.
17. Standard apparel may not be embellished or altered in any fashion.
18. Accessories deemed to be distractive, disruptive, or offensive in nature are prohibited.
19. Violations and interpretations of the dress policy will be determined by the building principals.
References:
School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1317.3
State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.11
Board Policy – 221