

## BERNICE MACNAUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL



### TITLE: STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY

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#### 1.0 OBJECTIVE

To establish expectations for appropriate student dress within Bernice MacNaughton High School (BMHS).

#### 2.0 DEFINITION

**Student Dress Code** is interpreted to mean the expectations within BMHS with respect to appropriate student dress to be worn in school or at school-related events.

#### 3.0 RESPONSIBILITY

School staff

#### 4.0 POLICY

- 4.1 This student dress code policy is based on the expectation that BMHS will be a safe and respectful learning environment. All members of the BMHS community are to dress appropriately when in school.
- 4.2 The following clothing and/or accessories are considered to be inappropriate:
- (a) Dress that is sexually explicit or revealing. All clothing must completely cover the chest and back (both upper and lower), and midriff. Undergarments must not be visible, for males or females, at any time. All skirts, shorts, or dresses must be at least mid-thigh in length.
  - (b) Dress with wording or graphics that is racist, sexist, profane or demeaning to another person or if it advocates violence, the consumption of alcohol or use of illicit drugs.
- 4.3 Hats, hoods, and headwear are not to be worn inside the school, unless for religious reasons. Only medically prescribed sunglasses may be worn in school.
- 4.4 School staff is responsible for ensuring that the student dress code is explained and reinforced with each student at the beginning of each school year and/or whenever a student registers at the school.
- 4.5 School staff will enforce the student dress code consistently. Persistent or blatant non-compliance by a student will result in disciplinary consequences that may include suspension from school. Violation of the student dress code will result in:
- (a) Student will be given the opportunity to deal with the inappropriate dress and report back to staff member to confirm they are now in compliance; or
  - (b) The student may report to the office to request an oversized tee shirt to wear for the remainder of the day, and parent contact will be made by the appropriate grade level administrator.
- 4.6 Interpretation of inappropriate dress is up to the discretion of the administration and school staff.

#### 5.0 REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

*New Brunswick Education Act*

New Brunswick Policy 703: Positive Learning and Working Environment

Anglophone School District East Policy 332: Student Code of Conduct