

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

NO. 2
Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY _____ March 06, 2025

REFERRED TO EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Dress Code

AN ACT

Amends the Public School Code to increase dress code standards.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Dress code

(1) Public schools shall enforce the following standards:

- a. Boys' and Girls' standards:
 - i. Earrings, accessories, or any form of headwear are not to be worn – including but limited to baseball hats, headbands, durags, knit hats, beanies, or visors.
 1. Except, girls may have only two earrings in each ear.
 - ii. Body piercings, ear gauges, or visible tattoos of any kind are prohibited. Any student with a tattoo or who gets a tattoo must cover it completely.
 - iii. Only closed toe and heeled shoes are permitted.
 - iv. Clothing must be neat and clean.
 - v. Writing and/or images on clothing may not be vulgar, or on an inappropriate location when worn.
- b. Boys' standards:
 - i. Hair must be neat, well-groomed, trimmed around the ears, and out of the eyes. Braids, cornrows, dreadlocks are permitted. Extreme or exotic hairstyles are not permitted. Students must be clean shaven.
- c. Girls' standards:
 - i. Hair must be a natural hair color, though it does not have to be the student's natural color.

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- ii. Simple jewelry and reasonable make up may be worn.

Section 2. Exemptions

- (1) The board of director's for a school shall review all religious, medical, and other related exceptions.

Section 3. This act shall take effect at the beginning of the 2027 school year.