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SUBJECT: STUDENT DRESS CODE

All students of the Greater Southern Tier BOCES are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Students are expected to arrive at their BOCES program ready to learn and work. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable preparing students for the school day, which includes dress and appearance. Teachers and all other district BOCES personnel should exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school and/or workplace setting.

A student's dress, (which, as appropriate, encompasses grooming and appearance, including hair style/color, jewelry, make-up and nails below), shall:

1. Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.
2. Cover one's stomach, pelvis, lower back, buttocks and chest. Recognize that extremely brief The following garments are not permitted:, e.g., tube tops, net tops, halter crop tops, shirts that are open or cut on the sides, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines (front and/or back), short skirts, short shorts and see-through garments, and pants that do not fit around the waist and need to be held up with a hand are not appropriate.
3. Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing.
4. Include industry/trade approved protective personal equipment, including footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed.
5. Not include items that are vulgar, obscene, and libelous or denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.
6. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.
7. Be appropriate for specific classes, e.g., CTE courses, physical education classes, science classes.

Each building principal, or his or her designee, shall be responsible for informing all students and their parents of the student dress code at the beginning of the school year and any revisions to the dress code made during the school year.

Students who violate the student dress code shall be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offending item and, if necessary or practical, replacing it with an acceptable item. Any student who refuses to do so shall be subject to discipline, up to and including in-school suspension for the day. Any student who repeatedly fails to comply with the dress code shall be subject to further discipline up to and including out-of-school suspension.