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*Saint Paul Public Schools Procedure*

*504.01*

## **504.01 STUDENT DRESS/UNIFORMS**

Schools desiring to establish a dress code that mandates uniforms must satisfy the following conditions:

- The families of at least 80% of the school's students vote in favor of participating in the uniform program.
- The uniform selected is not characterized as gender-specific.
- The school makes provisions for those students who, by reason of financial hardship, cannot comply with the uniform policy.
- Each school shall develop positive reinforcement measures to encourage full compliance with the policy. In addition, schools shall communicate with parents so that expectations, rationale and benefits are fully understood by the student and his/her parent.
- If possible, a phase in plan should be developed.
- Lastly, the colors, style and phase-in procedure should have school-wide and district support.

**CROSS REFERENCE:**

**LEGAL REFERENCES:**