

JICF - SECRET SOCIETIES/GANG ACTIVITY AND DRESS

A gang is defined in state law as "a group of three or more individuals with a common interest, bond or activity characterized by criminal or delinquent conduct."

The Board of Education is committed to keeping District schools and activities free from threat or harmful influence of any group or gang which advocates criminal or delinquent conduct. Therefore, students shall not be involved in or promote gang or gang-like activity or dress in the schools, on school grounds, on school vehicles, or at school activities or events.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish open lines of communication with law enforcement authorities and other community agencies to share information and provide mutual support in this effort.

Staff training will be provided for recognition, prevention, intervention, and referral programs related to gangs and gang-related activities.

District employees shall not focus on any individual or gang solely because of ethnic background or socioeconomic status.

School administrators shall:

- 1. Implement gang-related prevention and intervention strategies and programs.
- 2. Contact parents/guardians regarding a student's possible gang involvement.

 This contact will be followed by a documented parent/guardian meeting or written notification to parents/guardians of the administrator's concerns.
- 3. Make recommendations to the parents/guardians regarding community agencies which may provide support services for both students and parents/guardians.
- 4. Work in collaboration with the appropriate law enforcement agency when the administrator deems such communication advisable or assistance is requested.
- 5. Apply disciplinary actions as needed.

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CROSS REF: IHACA, Law-Related Education JICA, Student Dress Code