RULES OF CLOTHING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN PRESENT TIME

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It is a wide practice in our country to wear uniform and abide in the proper dress code. It looks neat, clean and orderly. They differ in style and pattern in accordance to what the school implemented. Wearing a uniform every day is very helpful and efficient for people who struggle with what to wear and it is a way to identify students and their respective schools. It is really easy for people who use public transportation because they can be quickly identified as someone that is to be given discount, one can instantly spot a student with the attire and appearance a person has.

There isn't really a threat nor a harm in implementing these codes. After all, one of the reasons why it is applied is that is helps students to be accustomed on dressing professionally. Discipline and obedience are also cultivated in abiding them.

But there will always be another side of a coin. There are people who are opposed to it or those who found it bothersome to abide those rules every single day.

We are all familiar with what a usual dress code is requiring: complete uniform, undyed hair, white socks, black shoes, no earrings for boys and excess pair of it for girls are prohibited etc. But as the generation change, trends in beauty also shifts. Students of today like to be a bit flashier than to be prim and proper. Breaking the code that was once considered as absolute is now seen as something cool and more efficient for today's youth. Some are even as fearless to dye their hair with vibrant colors even if they are just in their junior high school years. Another problem that most often rise is that uniforms that are needed to be worn every day are quite pricey. To wear it
daily a student either buys several sets of these or wash a pair or two on multiple days as needed in a week.

To some, these codes are labor-saving, one style of attire that one will be wearing is already set and the appearance is more of a simple one especially in elementary and high schools. While to some it is unneeded, suffocating, too formal and excessively bothersome because most of it are detailed unnecessary. Given the reasons of each sides, we are able to get a wider view on this topic. There is no harm in abiding the implemented dress codes but it is surely a bit of a burden to others. There are those who like it but there are those who object to it as well.

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