

# Sherman County S. D.

Code: **JFCE/JFCEA**  
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## Secret Societies/Gang Activity

No secret societies of any kind including a fraternity, sorority or gang shall be permitted in any public school. Districts are required by law to prohibit such organizations and to suspend or expel students who engage in the organization or maintenance of such groups.

The use of hand signals, graffiti or the presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory or manner of grooming which, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, symbol or any other attribute which indicates or implies membership or affiliation with such a group, presents a clear and present danger to the school environment and educational objectives of the community and are forbidden.

Any student wearing, carrying or displaying gang paraphernalia or exhibiting behavior or gestures which symbolize gang membership, or causing and/or participating in activities which intimidate or affect the attendance of another student will be subject to disciplinary action including suspension and expulsion.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 336.109](#)

[ORS 339.240 - 339.280](#)

[ORS 339.885](#)

[ORS 659.850](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075](#)

Olesen v. Board of Education of School District No. 228, 676 F. Supp. 820 (N.D. Ill. 1987).

Neuhaus v. Federico, 12 Or. App. 314, 319, 505 P.2d 939 (1973).

Burkitt, et al v. School District No. 1, 195 Or. 471, 246 P.2d 566 (1952).

Tinker v. Des Moines Community School District, 393 U.S. 503 (1969).