

53A-15-1103 Uniforms in schools -- Policy approval.

- (1) The school uniform policy authorized in Section 53A-15-1102 may be adopted:
 - (a) for a charter school:
 - (i) by the governing body or administrator of the charter school in accordance with Subsection (2); or
 - (ii) by including the school uniform policy in the school's charter approved in accordance with Title 53A, Chapter 1a, Part 5, The Utah Charter Schools Act;
 - (b) for more than one school at the district level by a local school board in accordance with Subsection (2); or
 - (c) for a single school at the school level by the principal of the school in accordance with Subsection (2).
- (2) A school uniform policy adopted by an election is subject to the following requirements:
 - (a) the adopting authority shall hold a public hearing on the matter prior to formal adoption of the school uniform policy;
 - (b)
 - (i) the adopting authority shall hold an election for approval of a school uniform policy prior to its adoption and shall receive an affirmative vote from a majority of those voting at the election; and
 - (ii) only parents and guardians of students subject to the proposed school uniform policy may vote at the election, limited to one vote per family.
- (3)
 - (a) A local school board or principal is required to hold an election to consider adoption of a school uniform policy for an entire school district or an individual school if initiative petitions are presented as follows:
 - (i) for a school district, a petition signed by a parent or guardian of 20% of the district's students presented to the local school board; and
 - (ii) for an individual school, a petition signed by a parent or guardian of 20% of the school's students presented to the principal.
 - (b) The public hearing and election procedures required in Subsection (2) apply to Subsection (3).
- (4)
 - (a) The procedures set forth in Subsections (3) and (4) shall apply to the discontinuance or modification of a school uniform policy adopted under this section.
 - (b) A vote to discontinue an adopted school uniform policy may not take place during the first year of its operation.
- (5) The adopting authority shall establish the manner and time of an election required under this section.

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