

***Student Professional Dress Update
2010-2011***

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As was started at the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year, the professional dress policy adopted by the Dauphin County Technical School (DCTS) Joint Operating Committee will continue to be enforced throughout the 2010-2011 school year. The following are some points of interest to parents/guardians of incoming freshmen as well as students who are already enrolled at DCTS.

All 9th grade students **MUST** wear their pre-ordered, grey DCTS tops to school beginning on the first day. The order form deadline for these was May 21, 2010. Until the freshmen are placed in a vocational program, their pant wear will be blue jeans or khakis. **NO** shorts, capris, or sweatpants are permitted. Also, the jeans must be free of rips, tears, holes, and frays.

Once the freshman is placed in a vocational program, they will still be permitted to wear their grey DCTS shirt **OR** they may purchase the specific program's top(s). Once placed in a program, they must adapt to the program's pant wear (jeans, khakis, dickies) and footwear.

All 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who have been previously enrolled at DCTS must report on the first day of school in their required vocational program professional dress. Additional orders should have been given to vocational program instructors already, or will be taken at the beginning of the year.

New upperclassmen must either buy DCTS shirts/hoodies from the school store or place an order with their program instructor and have it available to be worn on the first day of school. Please plan accordingly. **The school store (The Spot) will be open during the week prior to school starting.**

All DCTS students, at all times, are required to be in professional dress. The only time they will not be required to wear these items partially, or in their entirety, are on days designated as such by DCTS administration ("Dress Down Days"), during physical education class, and other times as necessitated by teachers or administration. Disciplinary actions will result if a student fails to comply with dress standards. The discipline is progressive in nature and can ultimately result in extended ISS, suspension of any privileges afforded DCTS students, and even impact a student's shop grade as it relates to participation/following rules.

The DCTS administration wishes to thank all parents, guardians, and students in advance for their understanding of, and compliance with, the adopted DCTS professional dress policy. In the end, this policy is another means by which we aim to fulfill our mission and better prepare our students as they get ready to enter post-secondary schools, the military, or the workforce.

If you have any questions regarding this information or need additional professional dress policy information, you may contact Mr. Blanch at 652-3170 or by email at nblanch@dcts.org