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Japanese school 'forces girl to dye hair black' – 31st October, 2017

## Level 0

An 18-year-old student wants \$20,000 from her school. The school told her to dye her hair black. She had brown hair. She had to dye her hair black to follow the school's rules. A newspaper said she had to dye her hair every four days. She got a rash on her head. Her hair became damaged.

The student said the school bullied her. She could not go on school trips because of her brown hair. Teachers said things to her in class that embarrassed her. This gave her stress. She said a teacher told her not to go to school with brown hair. The girl said that her stress made her collapse. She had to go to hospital by ambulance.

## Level 1

An 18-year-old student is suing for \$20,000 in damages after her school told her to dye her hair black. The student went to a high school near Osaka, Japan. She had naturally brown hair. Her school told her to dye it black to follow the school's rules. A newspaper reported that school staff told the girl to dye her hair once every four days. She got a rash on her head and her hair became damaged. The girl also suffered from a lot of stress at school.

The student told the court that the school bullied her for three years. She was banned from school trips and festivals because of her brown hair. She said that teachers said things to her in class that embarrassed her. This caused her mental stress. She said that a teacher told her that she should not come to school with brown hair. The girl said that her stress made her collapse. She had to go to hospital by ambulance.

## Level 2

An 18-year-old student is suing her local government after her school told her to dye her hair black. The third-year student attended a high school east of Osaka, Japan. She had naturally brown hair, but her school told her many times to dye it black to follow the school's rules. The 'Mainichi' newspaper reported that school staff told the girl to dye her hair every one to two weeks. This changed to once every four days. The girl's mother said her daughter got a rash on her head and that her hair was damaged. The girl also suffered from a lot of stress at school.

The student is suing for \$20,000 in damages. She told the court that the school bullied her for three years and that the school would not accept her hair colour was natural. She was banned from school trips and festivals because of her brown hair. She explained that teachers said things to her in front of the class that embarrassed her. This caused her psychological damage. She said that a teacher told her that she should not come to school with brown hair. The girl said that she was so stressed one day that she collapsed. She had to go to hospital by ambulance.

## Level 3

An 18-year-old girl in Japan is suing her local government after her school told her to dye her hair black. The third-year student attended a high school in the city of Habikino, just east of Osaka. Even though she had naturally brown hair, the school repeatedly told her to dye it black. She said she had to dye her hair black to follow the school's rules. Japan's 'Mainichi' newspaper reported that school staff started telling the girl to dye her hair every one to two weeks. In her second year, this changed to once every four days. The student's mother said her daughter eventually developed a rash on her scalp and that her hair became badly damaged. The girl also suffered from stress throughout her three years at high school.

The student is suing the local government for \$20,000 in damages. She told the court on October 27th that the school bullied her for three years to dye her hair. She said that the school would not accept her hair was naturally brown. She was banned from school trips and school festivals because of her brown hair. The girl told the court that teachers said things to her in front of the class that caused great embarrassment to her. This caused her psychological damage. She said that a teacher told her that she should not come to school if she didn't dye her hair. The girl said that she was so stressed one day that she collapsed and had to be taken to hospital by ambulance.