

**JCDB-R Student Dress Code**

1/7/13

**RATIONALE/OBJECTIVE:**

All students of the Cobb County School District (District) are encouraged to observe a standard of grooming and dress consistent with the level of formality of the school situation.

**RULE:****A. GENERAL PROVISIONS:**

All students shall be required to maintain the level of personal hygiene necessary to ensure a healthful school environment and to refrain from any mode of dress which proves to contribute to any disruption of school functions.

**B. RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENFORCEMENT:**

Administrators and teachers shall enforce the dress code Rule, and the principal or designee shall be the final judge as to the appropriateness, neatness and cleanliness of the wearing apparel, or whether or not apparel is disruptive, unsafe, or in violation of the dress code.

**C. MINIMUM STANDARD OF DRESS:**

All students shall maintain the following minimum standard of dress:

1. Appropriate shoes shall be worn.
2. Midriffs shall be covered.
3. Appropriate under-garments shall be worn and may not be visible.
4. Strapless garments shall be worn with a jacket.
5. Tank-tops shall be worn with a jacket.
6. Appropriate shorts, as determined by the school administration, may be worn.
7. No caps, hats, bandanas nor hoods covering the head are to be worn in the school buildings during the school day unless there is a special activity during which they are deemed appropriate by the school administration.
8. Clothing or ornamentation that does any of the following is prohibited:
  - a. Displays or advertises substances illegal for minors.
  - b. Displays suggestive phrases, designs, markings, or profanities.
  - c. Advocates, promotes, or suggests illegal activity.

**D. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF LOCAL SCHOOLS:**

Local schools may establish additional requirements for student dress, including school uniforms. These additional requirements must be approved by the Area Assistant Superintendent and reviewed by the Student Support office. School uniform proposals must also be reviewed by the Board attorney.

**E. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:**

Parents or students who have specific questions about a garment's appropriateness should consult the local school student handbook and/or the local school administration.

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