

“Proposed” Standard Dress Code for CCPS Students

DRESS AND GROOMING EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES K-12:

All students are expected to follow the Standard Dress Code and dress appropriately for school. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for adherence to the Clayton County Board policies and procedures. School personnel are responsible for maintaining proper and appropriate conditions conducive to learning. Teachers and all other school personnel shall reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school setting. Any student who arrives at school out of standard dress, he/she will be expected to correct any violation of the standard dress code. Failure to do so shall be treated as insubordination and the student shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action under school procedures.

UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE:

Students are not allowed to wear clothing, jewelry (including body piercing jewelry and “grills”), buttons, haircuts, tattoos, or other attire or markings which are offensive, suggestive, disruptive, or indecent such as:

- Clothing associated with gangs
- Clothing encouraging the use of tobacco, drugs, alcohol, or violence
- Clothing associated with discrimination on the basis of age, color, handicap, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, race, religion, or sex
- Clothing exposing the upper chest cleavage, torso or buttocks or upper thighs such as see-through garments, mini-skirts or mini-dresses, halters, backless dresses, tube tops or tank tops without over shirts, spaghetti strap garments without over shirts, bare midriff outfits, or shirts tied at the midriff
- Clothing that is intentionally altered or ill-fitted garments are not acceptable. Ill-fitted garments include, but are not limited to, garments that are too small or too large, unduly oversized or undersized, or skin-tight
- Transparent, mesh, or see through clothing
- Clothing must be completely buckled, belted, buttoned, or fastened; no sagging
- Cut, frayed or torn clothing with holes or patched holes that are above the knee
- Skinny pants, tights, leggings, or jeggings that substitute as pants
- Tights and/or leggings worn under a skirt that do not meet the length of a dress or skirt
- Sleeveless shirts for boys
- No towels, wash cloths, or handkerchiefs are to be carried to school or used at school with exception of physical education class
- Clothing or outer garments traditionally designed as undergarments such as boxer shorts, bloomers, tights, hosiery, and sleepwear
- Clothing or footwear that is construed by the principal or designee as hazardous or dangerous to the health of the students or others
- Hats, headgear, or any head covering, except when approved by the principal

OUTER GARMENTS:

The Dress and Grooming Code for high school students shall not prohibit students from wearing coats, jackets, sweaters, or other appropriate outer garments when necessary due to weather conditions or for other legitimate reasons and shall be the appropriate size for the student, shall not be overly baggy, not violate any other provisions of this protocol.

- Long overcoats or sweaters that might serve to conceal contraband shall be removed immediately upon arrival at the school or function.

OTHER ITEMS

- Belts are required with no sagging of pants.
- Jeans are not included in uniform dress.
- Flip-flops, shower shoes, skate shoes and house slippers are not permitted.
- No headgear of any kind is allowed. (Exceptions will be considered in the case of headwear or scarves worn as a part of a student's religious practice or for documented medical reasons)

DESIGN, EMBLEM OR LETTERING

- Any design, emblem or lettering which refers to or promotes drugs, alcohol, profanity, immodesty or racial, ethnic or sexual discrimination is not allowed.
- No graphic, pictures, or writing on clothing shall be permitted except as part of an insignia.
- Any design, emblem or lettering should be no larger than 4 inches by 4 inches

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS

The principal is authorized to grant exemptions and/or reasonable accommodations to the standard dress code for religious beliefs, medical reasons or extraordinary circumstances. Such requests shall be made in writing and submitted to the principal for approval, along with appropriate documentation. Students granted an exemption or accommodation must dress in the appropriate manner approved by the principal.