

Tapp Middle School Dress Code for the 2025-26 School Year

Updated 7/17/2025

Responsibility for Enforcement: administrators and teachers shall enforce the CCSO dress code policy (JCDB-R), and the principal or designee shall be the final judge as to the appropriateness of the apparel. All students shall maintain the following standard dress drawn from board policy JCDB-R:

1. Appropriate shoes shall be worn. No house shoes or slippers will be allowed.
2. Midriffs shall be covered.
3. Appropriate undergarments shall be worn and may not be visible
4. No strapless garments, tank tops, or revealing shirts will be allowed.
5. Shorts, skirts, and dresses should reach the end of fingertips.
6. No jeans with holes, tears or rips above the knee that reveals an excessive amount of skin.
7. No caps, hats, bandanas nor hoods covering the head.
8. No clothing or ornamentation that displays or advertises illegal, disrespectful, or sexually inappropriate material.

Tapp Middle School Enforcement Policy:

If a student is in violation of the dress code, the student will be sent to ISS. The ISS instructor will document the dress code violation and follow the progressive discipline steps outlined below:

Progressive Discipline for Dress Code violations: (Note – if dress is too revealing, student will remain in ISS until a parent can bring a change of clothing)

1st violation – The student is sent to ISS, dress code violation is documented, student is returned to class.

2nd violation – The student is sent to ISS, dress code violation is documented, parent/guardian is notified, student returns to class.

3rd and ongoing violations – The student sent to ISS, dress code violation is documented, student is given a major referral, parent is notified. Administration will assign consequences.

Tapp Middle School Cell Phone Policy for the 2025-26 School Year

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Students may not use cell phone or non-school issued electronic devices including headphones and earbuds while in the building. If a student is found to be in use of these devices the student will receive the following consequences:

Courtesy Warning – Teacher will reteach cell phone expectations to student.

1st violation – Student will receive a minor referral. Teacher will confiscate the student's device, take it to the front office, and student can pick up device at the end of the day. Parent Contacted (CTLS or phone)

2nd violation – Student will receive a minor referral. Teacher will confiscate the student's device, take it to the front office, and parent will pick up device. Parent Contacted (CTLS or phone)

3rd violation – Student will receive a minor referral. Teacher will confiscate the student's device, take it to the front office, and parent will pick up device. Parent Contacted (mandatory phone call with CTLS follow up)

4th and ongoing violations – Student will receive a major referral. Teacher will confiscate the student's device, take it to the front office, and parent will pick up device. Administration will assign consequences. (mandatory phone call with CTLS follow up)

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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Reclassified as Administrative Rule: 9/1/04

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Revised and re-coded: 1/7/13 (Previously coded as Administrative Rule JICA)

Legal Reference

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Student codes of conduct; distribution

JCDA-R Student Code of Conduct

7/1/24

RATIONALE/OBJECTIVE:

The Cobb County School District (District) is dedicated to sound discipline practices in the continuing effort to provide students an effective and safe learning environment. The District recognizes concerns for student welfare from their entry on a school bus or other school property to their return to the bus stop or their leaving school property.

F. PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

1. **Elementary and Middle School:** Students shall not use, display, or turn on smart watches, cellular phones, video phones, or electronic devices during instructional time, class change time, recess, breakfast, or lunch. The Principal shall determine specified times on campus when electronic devices may be used for instructional purposes. **(Level 1)**

High School: Students shall not use, display, or turn on smart watches, cellular phones, video phones, or electronic devices during instructional time *for* non-instructional purposes and without the express permission of the teacher. The Principal shall determine specified times on campus when cell phones and other electronic devices may be used and will publish this information in student handbooks, the school website, on posters, and/or by other means. **(Level 1)**

2. Students shall not use personal technology resources to capture, distribute, or display inappropriate material. Inappropriate material does not serve an instructional or educational purpose and includes but is not limited to the following:
 - Is profane, vulgar, lewd, obscene, offensive, indecent, sexually explicit, pornographic, or threatening;
 - Advocates illegal or dangerous acts;
 - Causes disruption to the District, its employees, or students;
 - Advocates violence;
 - Contains knowingly false, recklessly false, or defamatory information; or
 - Is otherwise harmful to minors as defined by the Children's Internet Protection Act.

Consequence:

- **Elementary and Middle School - Level 1- 3**
- **High School - Level 2- 4**
- Notify the appropriate level assistant superintendent.
- **Contact CCSPD.**

3. Students shall not use personal technology devices to access chat rooms/social networking sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok, BeReal, or Snapchat during the regular school day for non-instructional purposes and without the express permission of the teacher. **(Level 1-2)**
4. Students shall not use any device for audio or visual recording without the permission of a school administrator or as permitted by Administrative Rule JG(1)-R (Monitoring-Recording Staff and Students). This includes, but is not limited to, using recording devices to video, photograph, or record misbehaviors or to violate the privacy of others. **(Level 1-i!)**