**Barber Middle School Student Dress Code**

**2024-2025**

Students are expected to adhere to the Dress Code Policy of the Cobb County Board of Education (JICA). All students of the Cobb County School District are encouraged to observe a standard of grooming and dress consistent with the level of formality of the school situation.

1. All students of the Cobb County School District 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.

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

3. All students shall maintain an acceptable standard of dress. The minimum standard of dress for students shall be as follows:

-No crop tops. Stomachs must be covered.

-Shoes shall be worn.  No house shoes or slippers are allowed.  Slides are permitted.

-No blankets or pillows are allowed.

-Appropriate under-garments must be worn and may not be visible.

-Halter tops, strapless garments, tank tops, or spaghetti straps must be worn with a jacket or sweater which covers **BOTH** shoulders.

-Shorts, skirts, and jeans with holes may be worn; however, for holes above the knee, exposed skin must be covered with leggings or shorts.

-Appropriate length of shorts, skirts, and dresses: no skin may be shown or visible above the tip of the middle finger when hands are down, side by side

-Leggings and biker shorts can be worn with a loose-fitting shirt that is long enough to cover your bottom half front and back.

-Caps, hats, hoodies on head, do-rags/durags, and bandanas are not to be worn during the school day.  Caps or hats can be worn on specified days.

-Clothing or ornamentation displaying, advertising, or promoting illegal substances or illegal activity, and suggestive phrases, designs, markings, or profanities are prohibited.

-Headphones, air pods, and ear buds should not be seen and should be put away in bookbags.

-No pajama or lounge pants should be worn. (Pajama pants are only permissible on designated spirit days.)

-No face painting.

Each day during homeroom, students will be reminded to conduct a dress code self-check over the intercom. A dress code self-check allows the student to be sure his/her attire is aligned with the school’s dress code. This daily self-check also serves as a student’s warning.

If a student’s dress code issue can be fixed:

Staff will make student aware of the dress code issue/violation. Student should correct the issue and not repeat it. Parents will be notified that an issue/violation was identified; however, the student was able to fix it immediately.

**(Note: To minimize the need for parents to bring any items for dress code violations, we strongly encourage every student to have a pair of leggings, t-shirt, and hoodie in their locker or bookbag.)**

If a student’s dress code issue cannot be fixed:

Step One The teacher will send the student to the front office with a pass to contact the parent/guardian about bringing clothing that does not violate the dress code.

Step Two If a parent/guardian can come within 30 minutes, the student will wait in the front office for the parent to bring the clothing item to correct the issue. If a parent/guardian cannot come within 30 minutes, the front office staff will direct the student to report to the Academic and Behavior Intervention Room until a parent/guardian brings the clothing item to correct the issue or violation.

(Note: All of the aforementioned is considered 1 occurrence.)

Consequences for Dress Code Violations:

**1st Occurrence Daily self-check reminder serves a verbal warning**

**If the dress code issue cannot be fixed after the first occurrence, each instance counts as a minor referral. We follow the steps within PBIS.**

**2nd Occurrence Email sent to parent**

**3rd Occurrence Phone call to parent**

**4th Occurrence ITI, In-Team-Isolation**

**5th Occurrence Office Referral**

(Note: Designated Spirit Days will be announced.)

Your signatures indicate you have read and understand Barber Middle School’s Dress Code.

**Student Name (please print):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_HR Teacher/Grade:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**