

## Guidelines for Student Dress

### Dress Code – Policy JCBD

Each school principal shall be authorized to establish reasonable dress and grooming standards for students who attend the school to which they are assigned. Such standards shall be based upon legally acceptable standards as determined by case law.

Students at JMS are expected to be appropriately dressed for school. Any clothing, accessory or personal appearance that distracts/disrupts the learning environment or educational process, or is offensive to others is considered to be inappropriate for school.

Examples of inappropriate dress at Jefferson Middle School include, but are not limited to, the following items:

- a. Any attire that promotes inappropriate messages, statements, advertisements, pictures (e.g. alcohol, drugs, sexually suggestive, violence, profanity, gang affiliation, any substance illegal to a minor, or that is offensive.)
- b. Students may not wear clothing with holes of any kind, regardless if there is another item worn underneath the hole.
- c. Shorts/skirts/dresses (including slits and splits) that are more than four (4) inches above the front or back of the knee. Having clothing underneath the short, skirt, or dress does not remove the four (4) inch rule.
- d. Any clothing that is excessively tight, for example: leggings, spandex, yoga pants, etc. must be worn with a top that is longer than the seat of the pants.
- e. Shirts without sleeves are not acceptable. Tops or blouses that expose any part of the midriff or back, chest area, or shoulders are unacceptable.
- f. Students must have undergarments covered. Attire is revealing, transparent, or that shows undergarments is inappropriate.
- g. Head coverings, including hats, cap, bandannas, do-rags, combs, picks, gloves, and sunglasses or costumes of any kind are not appropriate for a regular school day.
- h. Sleepwear or swimwear of any kind is inappropriate for school.
- i. Shoes with attached wheels, bed-room slippers, or cleats cannot be worn inside the school building.
- j. Attire with writing across the seat is not appropriate for school.

**Jefferson Middle School administration reserves the right to determine whether a student's appearance to include clothing attire, hair, makeup and accessories is within the limits and guidelines of the dress code. Adherence to the guidelines of student dress is required at all school sponsored functions, excluding sports. The administration may approve certain items of dress for specific activities and/or occasions. Any adjustment to the dress code will be determined at the discretion of the administration.**

Students who are scheduled for Health/Physical Education will be required to wear the JMS Physical Education uniform. These uniforms can be purchased at the beginning of the school year and throughout the school year from the P.E. coach.

Any violation of the dress code may result in the student changing into appropriate attire from items in the JMS Clothing Closet or having other clothing brought from home. If a student consistently violates the JMS dress code then a referral to ISS may occur.