

## Policy JFC- R

### STANDARDS OF STUDENT CONDUCT

#### 24. Student Dress

Students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. Any clothing that interferes with the rights of others or interferes with or disrupts the educational environment is unacceptable. Clothing with language or images that are vulgar; obscene; discriminatory, or associated with racial or ethnic intimidation, hatred, or violence, including but not limited to swastikas and confederate flags or other imagery; clothing that promotes illegal or violent conduct, such as the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, or drug paraphernalia; or clothing that contains threats such as gang symbols is prohibited.

Students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. The following clothing and accessories are inappropriate in the educational setting:

- Clothing that interferes with the rights of others or disrupts the educational environment.
- Clothing with language or images that are vulgar, obscene, discriminatory, or associated with racial or ethnic intimidation, hatred, or violence, including but not limited to swastikas and confederate flags
- Clothing that promotes illegal or violent conduct, such as the unlawful use of weapons, drugs or drug paraphernalia, alcohol, or tobacco or nicotine vapor products
- Clothing, jewelry, or accessories that can be used as a weapon
- Clothing, jewelry, accessories, tattoos, manners of grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, or any other attribute presents threats, demonstrates gang membership, or advocates illegal, violent, or disruptive behavior

When the body is standing straight and upright, clothing must cover the chest, back, torso, stomach, and lower extremities from armpit to armpit to mid-thigh.

- All clothing must have straps over the shoulder or sleeves
- Rips or tears in clothing must be lower than mid-thigh
- Shoes must be worn at all times and be appropriate for the school environment
- See-through/mesh clothing must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath
- Head coverings are prohibited (unless required for religious, medical or other reason approved by school administration)
- Sunglasses may not be worn in the building

Additionally, disciplinary action will be taken against any student taking part in gang-related activities that are disruptive to the school environment, which include the display of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, tattoo, or manner of grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, or any other attribute, denotes membership in a gang that advocates illegal or disruptive behavior. Parents of students requiring accommodation for religious beliefs, disabilities, or other good causes should contact the principal.

Students not complying with this policy will be asked to cover the noncomplying clothing, change clothes or go home.

## Excerpt of Procedures for 2022-2023 WCPS Student Handbook

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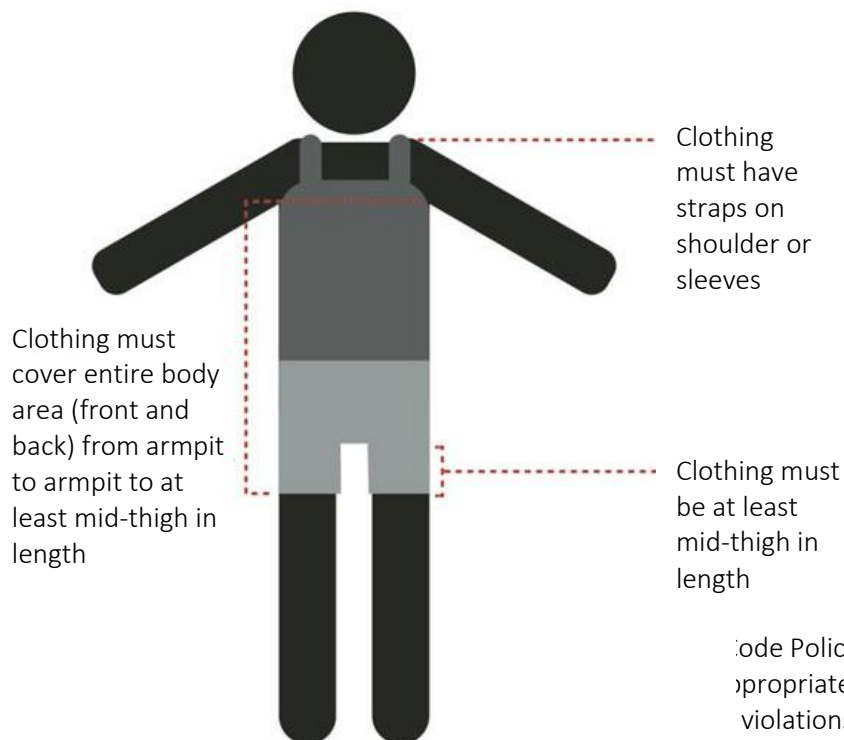
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## PROCEDURE

It is the individual school administrators' responsibility to enforce the WCPS Student Dress Code. The following diagram illustrates the appropriate amount of clothing coverage in school:



Enforcement of the Dress Code will be required to change clothing. Students may call a parent if they persist, the student will be required to change clothing. If a student does not, the student will be not be limited to detention, in-school suspension, or other discipline as deemed appropriate by the school administration.

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Appropriate  
violations  
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Student Dress Code at Special Activities: Administrators may suspend portions of the dress code and allow students to wear other appropriate clothing at special activities. Such activities include, but are not limited to field days, field trips, athletic practices and events, physical education, cheerleading, and band activities. Administrators may also declare certain school days as "dress-up" or "theme" days and suspend portions of the dress code at their discretion. Also, in some classes, students may be required to wear more restrictive clothing or accessories than the dress code requires in order to protect the safety of the student.