

K-12 Dress Code Policy 2018-19

All students in Birmingham City Schools shall, within the parameters set forth below, follow the dress code policy. Students are required to dress in proper dress code attire. It will be the parents' responsibility to ensure compliance with the dress code policy. All students who attend Birmingham City Schools must comply with the dress code policy.

1. All students will wear the designated school system attire. The clothing may not be altered by slits, cuts, holes, shredded hems, slashes, etc.
2. All students in grades K-12 are required to use clear or mesh book bags/back packs only. All purses must not be larger than 4x6 crossover bag.
3. ID cards issued by the school are a part of the required uniform and must be worn in a visible location above the waist at all times. (If applicable)

Appropriate Expectations for School Attire

Students are allowed to wear pants, jeans (without holes), capri pants and walking shorts. Walking Shorts lengths are limited to 2" above the knee.

Any style enclosed shoe can be worn with the exception of:

shoes with open toes, boots with chains, steel toes, metal reinforcement decorations, 3-inch heels or wedges, or any other shoes the principal deems unsafe.

Gloves, coats and hooded jackets worn to school must be stored in lockers or other designated locations during the normal school day. Students sensitive to cold temperatures may include a sweater or sweatshirt.

These articles of clothing or styles of dress are strictly forbidden while on the school campus or under school supervision:

Hoods (including jackets and/or sweatshirts), masks or coverings over the face

Cargo style pants or shorts with excessive pockets; overalls or coveralls

Over-sized pants or shirts; pants worn below the waist or "sagging"

Male students are required to wear belts with pants.

Pajamas, leggings, knit, nylon, spandex or skin tight/tightly fitted clothes dresses, tops, or bottoms

Tops, dresses or t-shirts with visible cleavage or tight fitted

Tank tops, tube tops, halter tops, mesh tops, midriff tops without a cover-up shirt

Sunglasses, buttons, jewelry, accessories, or any clothing with offensive, Lewd, vulgar, obscene language, slogans or pictures which advocate/advertise use of drugs or alcohol or depict weapons or acts of violence

Rollers, combs, or cosmetology clamps, sweatbands, hats, caps or other head coverings

Visible undergarments clothing altered by cuts, slits or holes or that in any way exposes the skin

Gold teeth covers or fangs (unless required by a dentist with written documentation on file)

Anything else the principal or designee deems inappropriate or disruptive of the educational environment.

GUIDELINES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF STUDENT UNIFORM REGULATIONS

First Offense:

The classroom teacher shall contact the parent.

The parent shall be contacted for a conference.

The parent shall be required to bring the student appropriate uniform attire/ID or take the student home to change clothes and return the student to school.

Second Offense:

The student shall be taken to the school office or administrative designee.

The parent shall be contacted for a conference.

The parent shall be required to bring the student appropriate uniform attire/ID or take the student home to change clothes and return the student to school.

Third Offense:

The student shall be taken to the school office or administrative designee.

The student shall be suspended from school in accordance with this Code of Conduct, Class I Offense.

The principal or his/her designee shall determine appropriate ways to enforce the dress code policy utilizing alternatives listed in the Code of Student Conduct

The student shall be taken to the school office or administrative designee.

The student shall be suspended from school in accordance with this Code of Conduct, Class II Offense.

The parent must return to school with the student following the suspension for a conference.

Repeated violations of the Dress Code Policy may result in out of school suspension for noncompliance.