

JOHN CURTIS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BEHAVIOR AND DRESS CODE SUMMARY

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

John Curtis Christian School is a safe and drug free school. Students must support this environment. Drugs, alcohol, and smoking/vaping are prohibited from school and school-sponsored activities. The administration has approved a mandatory drug testing program for all students in grades 9th – 12th. This will be an enhancement to the schools drug education and prevention programs that encourage students to make positive choices. Students represent our school in the community and are responsible for conducting themselves in an appropriate way. Any act or behavior from a student which conflicts with the Christian teachings, community laws, and rules of John Curtis Christian School may be grounds for expulsion.

Students are not allowed to sell or purchase any item at anytime while on school grounds. This includes food, clothing, etc.

Students are not allowed to leave the campus or go to the parking areas once they have arrived (by bus or car) at school. The only acceptable way to leave the campus is to go to the student office and check out with parental permission. Any violation of this policy may result in expulsion.

Cyber-bullying is not an acceptable behavior at JCCS. Bullying can be both physical and verbal. Any student who violates our bullying policy could be suspended or expelled.

Student cell phones are not to be used, seen or heard during school hours. Student phones may not be stored in pants or sweatshirt pockets. Phones must be stored in a student's backpack or bag. Wearable communication devices such as "apple watches" are prohibited. A violation will result in the confiscation of the cell phone. Parents should not call a student's cell phone during school hours. Parents should call the office at 737-4621 if they need to send a message to a student. Students will be held responsible for the content and pictures on their electronic devices and social media. Violations may result in suspension or expulsion. **POLICY:** Confiscated phones will not be returned until after a detention has been served. Detentions are typically held weekly on Fridays at 7:30 a.m. JCCS reserves the right to examine the contents of a confiscated cell phone.

Attendance and punctuality are important for each students academic success. So that a student will achieve the maximum results in the educational program, there must be a continuity of instruction. Poor attendance breaks continuity and the orderly sequence of building concepts of teaching and learning. The responsibility of attendance rests upon the student and the parent. Students should remain out of school only when it is absolutely necessary. Our school policy is three tardies equals one absence. Doctor's notes must be presented to the student office within five days of an excused absence. **Any medication, including over the counter medicines, must be held in the student office. Failure to comply may result in expulsion.**

All students in grades 7-12 will be required to purchase and bring their own personal fully charged **Chromebook** (permanently labeled with the student's name) to school every day. Home internet access will be required to complete assignments. The school does not accept any liability for personal devices used at school. It is the student's responsibility to properly care for and store the device.

*** STUDENTS AND PARENTS SHOULD READ THE FULL STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR DETAILED INFORMATION ON SCHOOL POLICIES.**

**ALL STUDENTS MUST BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRESS, HAIR, AND
BEHAVIOR CODE.**

Students may not wear oversized, frayed clothing, clothing with holes, or pants with oversized writing/logos. Only solid color slacks/dress jeans may be worn and must fit appropriately at or near the waist. All pants must have a zipper and belt loops. Belts must be brown or black. Uniforms must be maintained and not torn. Students must maintain a neat appearance at all times. Boys and girls should wear their shirts tucked in, and be in compliance with the dress and hair code. Excessive jewelry, piercings, tongue rings, nose rings, and visible tattoos are not allowed. Boys are not allowed to wear earrings.

JCCS **hair and grooming** guidelines are meant to ensure that student hair is neat in appearance and not a distraction. Students will not be allowed to attend school with twists, dreadlocks, mohawks, exotic or faddish haircuts. Boys are not allowed to have braids nor may the hair be long enough to be pulled into a ponytail / man bun. Hair styles must be evenly blended on the scalp. Designs outlined in the hair/eyebrow are in violation of the dress/hair code. Ears and eyebrows must be visible. Boys are not allowed to have facial hair. Shaved eyebrows are not allowed. The length of a male hairstyle may not be longer than the top of the shirt collar. “Tails” or “ V’s” are not allowed nor may the hair extend beyond 1.5 inch in height. Any hair coloring must be naturally occurring hair color nor may hair be bleached without color. Our goal is to have students well-groomed and neat in appearance. **No student will be allowed to attend classes or to represent the school in any event when that student is in violation of the code.** Violators may be sent home until the code is met. Violations of the dress code will not be treated as mere uniform violation but rather as a refusal to follow school rules.

UNIFORMS

ELC: Only Curtis t-shirt or collared uniform shirts can be worn with with jeans, Curtis khaki uniform shorts, Curtis uniform skorts, Curtis uniform dress, or red, white, blue elastic waist pants/shorts.

1st to 6th Grade Girls: Only Curtis sanctioned uniform shirts (tucked in), and sweatshirts are to be worn with solid color slacks, dress jeans, Curtis khaki uniform shorts or Curtis uniform skorts. The uniform shorts must fit at or near the waist and may not be oversized.

1st to 6th Grade Boys: Only Curtis sanctioned uniform shirts (tucked in), and sweatshirts are to be worn with solid color slacks, dress jeans, or Curtis khaki uniform shorts. The uniform shorts must fit at or near the waist and may not be oversized. **Belts are required.**

7th to 12th Grade Girls: Only Curtis sanctioned uniform shirts, jackets, and sweatshirts are to be worn with solid color slacks or dress jeans (jeans must be modest and not too tight).

7th to 12th Grade Boys: Only Curtis sanctioned uniform shirts, jackets, and sweatshirts are to be worn with solid color slacks, or dress jeans. Only solid color slacks/dress jeans may be worn and must fit appropriately at or near the waist. **Belts are required.**

Please mark student's name and grade inside all clothing, shoes, book bags, and lunch-kits. Student’s name may be embroidered in small print on the front of shirt/sweatshirt.

SHOES

Students may wear a tennis shoe or dress shoe that is red, white, blue, black, brown, or grey. All shoes must be closed toe and closed back. Foam/rubber shoes with holes are not allowed. Shoes may contain a combination of red, white, and blue.