

STUDENTS AND PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THE FULL STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR DETAILED INFORMATION ON ALL SCHOOL POLICIES.

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 7th – 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 to other students or purchase any item from other students at anytime while on school grounds. This includes food, clothing, snacks, 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.

LA Senate ACT No. 313 bans students from having telecommunication devices on their person during school hours. 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. 7th-12th grade student phones must be turned OFF and stored in a student's backpack or bag. Lower school student phones must be turned OFF and turned in to the homeroom teacher. Wearable communication devices such as "Apple/smart watches" and "wireless AirPods/earbuds" are NOT ALLOWED. A violation will result in the confiscation of the cell phone/electronic device. **Parents should not call a student's cell phone during school hours.** Parents should call the office at 504-737-4621 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/electronic devices 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 and tardiness 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. Please refer to the JCCS Chromebook and Technology Policy for all information.

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

JCCS **hair and grooming** guidelines are meant to ensure that student hair is neat in appearance and not a distraction. Twists, dreadlocks, mohawks, exotic or faddish haircuts are not allowed. Boys are not allowed to have braids nor may the hair be long enough to be pulled into a ponytail/man bun. 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.

Excessive jewelry, piercings, tongue rings, nose rings, and visible tattoos are not allowed. Any visible tattoos must be covered while at school, while representing school, and at school events.. Boys are not allowed to wear earrings.

No student will be allowed to attend classes, school events, or 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

ONLY JCCS UNIFORMS PURCHASED AT THE CHAMPIONS CORNER UNIFORM STORE OR JCCS OFFICIAL ONLINE UNIFORM STORE ARE ALLOWED TO BE WORN AT SCHOOL. SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS PURCHASED FROM ATHLETIC PACKAGES AND OTHER VENDORS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE WORN DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. THE LINK TO THE OFFICIAL ONLINE UNIFORM STORE CAN BE FOUND AT www.johncurtis.com/champions-corner

Students may not wear excessively tight or oversized clothing, frayed clothing, clothing with holes, or pants with writing, logos, designs, or embellishments. Only solid color slacks/dress jeans may be worn and must fit appropriately at or near the waist. All pants worn by 1st-12th graders must have a zipper and belt loops. 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 at all times.

T2-K: Only JCCS sanctioned t-shirts, uniform shirts, and sweatshirts can be worn with red, white, blue, or khaki elastic waist pants/shorts/skorts. The shorts/skorts that you purchase on your own do not have to have the school logo. Girls may also wear JCCS sanctioned uniform dresses.

1st - 6th : Only JCCS sanctioned collared uniform shirts/sweatshirts purchased at the uniform store or the official online uniform store are allowed to be worn at school. Shirts must be tucked in. Students may wear solid color slacks, dress jeans, or khaki shorts (school logo not required). Girls may wear khaki shorts/skorts of modest length (2 inches above knee, school logo not required). Shorts and pants must fit at or near the waist and may not be oversized or excessively tight. **Leggings are not allowed.**

7th - 12th : Only JCCS sanctioned collared uniform shirts/crew neck sweatshirts purchased at the uniform store or the official online uniform store are allowed to be worn at school. Shirts must be tucked in. Solid color slacks/khakis, or dress jeans must fit appropriately at or near the waist and may not be excessively tight or oversized. **Belts are required.** **HOODED SWEATSHIRTS ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO BE WORN DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.**

Please mark student's name 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, royal blue, black, brown, or grey. All shoes must be closed toe and closed back. Foam/rubber shoes with holes are not allowed. Light-up shoes are not allowed. Shoes may contain a combination of red, white, and royal blue.