



THE COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PANAMA CITY

Dress Code

The Collegiate School at Florida State University Panama City is expected to uphold the high standards of Florida State University and the tradition of Developmental Research Laboratory schools. Students at The Collegiate School shall be neat and clean, promoting a positive educational environment. Florida Statutes provide guidance on appropriate student dress and grooming. These guidelines guide the TCS (The Collegiate School) dress code and procedures. Pursuant to s. 1006.07, F.S., wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the learning environment will have specific consequences. In addition to these consequences, the violation shall be corrected before the student is allowed back in the regular school environment:

Accessories and Backpacks

- Accessories: All accessories must be appropriate for school, not pose a threat to health/safety, and must not be distracting. This includes jewelry, socks, and other wearables.
- Backpacks: Backpacks are permitted and must be neat and organized at all times. No backpacks with wheels.

Tops

- All tops must be unaltered (cut/torn/modified) and appropriately fitted with sleeves; cannot reveal underwear or body parts. Tops must be worn under all sweatshirts or jackets
- School approved T-shirts (club, spirit, etc.) are permitted
- Any solid color or print patterns
- No graphics or logos except for a small manufacturer's trademark

Bottoms

- Bottoms may be any solid color with no tears, rips, or holes. No bike shorts unless worn under approved bottoms.
- Bottoms must be appropriately fitted and seated at the waist; cannot reveal underwear or body parts
- No shorts, skirts, or dresses shorter than five inches (5") above the kneecaps as measured standing up. Leggings are not permitted with short shirts, crop tops, or tops that are tucked in.
- Small manufacturer's trademark and minimal embellishments are acceptable

Shoes

- No bedroom shoes, flip-flops, shower shoes, slides, Crocs, or beach footwear

- For safety, closed toes and closed backs required

Sweaters/Sweatshirts/Hoodies

- Long-sleeved sweaters, sweatshirts, or hoodies must be a solid color or print patterns but no graphics (unless school approved spirit or club). Small manufacturer's trademark is acceptable. Note: School approved means clothing carries the school logo.
- Hood may not be worn indoors or in covered hallways.

Cloth Face Coverings

- Cloth face coverings may be worn by students as necessary for health and safety.
- Coverings must be solid colors or school approved.
- Coverings may not cover eyes or tops of head.
- Students will assume full responsibility for their own personal cloth face coverings.

Other

- No costumes unless included as part of a class assignment or school event.
- Scarves must be worn appropriately around the neck or shoulders as an accessory item only; no bandanas.
- No headwear. Hats or other sun-protective wear (sunglasses) to only be worn while students are outdoors during school hours. However, at all other times, the sun-protective items must be properly stored in the student's backpack.
- No jewelry or accessory that may be used as weapons such as chains or spiked jewelry.
- Jackets may be worn in the classroom at the teacher's discretion.
- Students participating in extracurricular activities shall conform to the standards of these procedures while attending classes during the regular school day. Athletes may wear team jerseys with appropriate bottoms on game days.
- No earbuds during school hours unless allowed at the discretion of a teacher.

Exceptions to dress code attire are permitted when:

- A student wears a uniform of a nationally recognized youth organization on regular meeting days.
- A student wears a costume, special clothing, or attire necessary for participation in a school-sponsored or extracurricular activity, provided the clothing complies with District procedures.
- The dress code guidelines violate a student's religious belief. Requests for exemptions must be submitted in writing to the Student Services Specialist.
- Students enrolled in special programs such as on-the-job vocational training that are participating in school activities which require additional standards of dress or grooming.
- Reasonable accommodation is needed to address a student's disability or medical condition. A request in writing shall be made to the Student Services Specialist by the student's parent/guardian.

Disciplinary Action for Dress Code Violations

1. For the first offense, a student will be given a verbal warning and parents/guardians will be notified to bring alternative clothing for the student.
2. For subsequent offenses, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activities, clubs, or student activities for a period of time not to exceed 5 days and the

director (or designee) shall meet with the student's parent or guardian. For repeat violations, school administrators will meet with parents/guardians to discuss a resolution and disciplinary action.

Disciplinary Action for Disruptive Apparel

Pursuant to s. 1006.07, F.S., wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the learning environment will have specific consequences.

1. For a first offense, a student shall be given a verbal warning and the school shall notify the student's parent or guardian.
2. For a second offense, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activities, clubs, or student activities for a period of time not to exceed 5 days and the director (or designee) shall meet with the student's parent or guardian.
3. For a third or subsequent offense, a student shall receive an in-school suspension pursuant to s. 1003.01, F.S. for a period not to exceed 3 days, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period not to exceed 30 days, and the director (or designee) shall call the student's parent or guardian and send the parent or guardian a written letter regarding the student's in-school suspension and ineligibility to participate in school activities.

