Mongan County

## **Dress Code**

The responsibility for appropriate dress and grooming rests with the parents. Parents and students should keep in mind that the reputation of the home, school, and community is reflected in dress, grooming, and behavior of students. Students' dress and grooming shall be appropriate for the classroom. Wearing apparel shall be such that it does not disrupt the classroom atmosphere, become unusually distracting, or violate health and safety rules of the school. These minimum standards shall apply to all students in the public schools of Morgan County.

- 1) Students must be neatly dressed, clean and well groomed while at school.
- 2) Shoes or sandals must be worn.
- 3) Students shall not wear midriff shirts, tube tops, muscle shirts, tank tops, spandex, mesh, or fishnet garments, nor backless or strapless tops.
- 4) Shorts shall be permitted in Grades K-12: however, in grades four and above the shorts must be longer than the index finger (longest finger) when the student is standing and the arms are fully extended at his/her side.
- 5) Mini skirts and mini dresses shall be prohibited.
- 6) Students shall not wear sunglasses inside the school building or on the school bus.
- 7) The wearing of clothing advertising alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or suggestive words or pictures or symbols of violence or death, shall be prohibited.
- 8) Students shall not wear anything on their heads at anytime during the school day.
- 9) Oversized and baggy clothes shall be prohibited.
- 10) Any outer garment including but not limited to trench coats, long dusters, full length/maxi coats shall be prohibited.
- 11) Disruptive or distracting body piercing or tattoos shall be prohibited.
- 12) Disruptive or distracting hair color or styles shall be prohibited.

The Principal shall be the final judge as to neatness and cleanliness of wearing apparel and whether or not such apparel is disruptive, distracting, or is in violation of health and safety rules.

## **Drugs and Alcohol**

Board Policy File JCDAC

Morgan County Schools adhere to the Drug-Free School Zones and signs are posted to designate the areas. The Board considers the possession or use, without proper medical authorization, or the sale or other disposition of alcohol or drugs by students on the campus of any school is not only, in most cases a violation of the laws of the State of Alabama, but also is repugnant to and destructive to the educational objectives of the Board. It is, therefore, the policy of the Board that students in the Morgan County School System shall not have in their possession, actual or constructive, whether on their person, in their automobiles, lockers, or elsewhere by whatever arrangements, sell, furnish, use or distribute in any way, at any time, at any place on any campus of any school in the Morgan County School System, or in any bus operated by the Morgan County Board of Education, or at any site of any school sponsored event, including athletic contest, dances, theatrical events, field trips, or any other events conducted or sponsored in part or in whole by the Morgan County School System, or any school in the system, whether such event occurs during or after school hours, or any drug which is a controlled substance as defined in Chapter 2, Title 20. Code of Alabama, 1975, without possessing a valid and current medical prescription therefore from a medical doctor licensed to practice in the State of Alabama.