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MARSHALL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOOL BASED DECISION MAKING COUNCIL
BUILDING POLICY

POLICY TOPIC: Student guidelines for all school-sponsored activities

POLICY INTENT: School-sponsored activities are an extension of the school day. The following guidelines for student dress and conduct shall apply to all on campus and off campus school-sponsored activities.

Dress Code: All students shall observe modesty, appropriateness and neatness in clothing and personal appearance and at all times shall conform to the standards of dress and appearance commonly accepted and prevailing in Marshall County.

For all students:

- Exceptions to the dress code may be allowed for special spirit dress days or events but these must be pre-approved by the principal.
- Shorts must be loose fitting and an appropriate length. An inseam of four inches or more will be considered appropriate. (exclusion- team uniforms and appropriate practice attire)
- Jeans or pants shall not have holes or cuts above the accepted length of shorts.
- Visible body piercing is limited to the ears.
- Proper undergarments shall be worn at all times but should not be visible.
- No article of clothing shall bear vulgar, suggestive or indecent writing or pictures.
- Clothing with references or advertisements for alcohol or drugs is not appropriate.
- Wallet chains, bandannas, handkerchiefs, or any gang-related symbols may not be displayed.
- Formal attire must be worn to Prom. This includes a suit or tuxedo for males and a formal dress for females.

For female students:

- Sleeveless tops or dresses may be worn provided that the strap of the garment is at least as wide as the longer side of a student ID card. Tank tops and spaghetti strapped tops are not acceptable. (exclusion- appropriate formal dresses at Prom, appropriate semiformal dress at Homecomings, team uniforms, and appropriate practice attire)
- Dress and skirt lengths shall be worn no shorter than 4 inches above the knee. If a dress or skirt has a slit, the top of the slit should be no higher than 4 inches above the knee. (exclusion- team uniforms and appropriate practice attire)
- Bare midriff tops and blouses are not to be worn. (exclusion- appropriate formal dresses at Prom)
- No blouse, top, pants, or shorts should be worn that are extremely tight or "stretched-to-fit" the skin.

For male students:

- Tank tops and sleeveless shirts may be worn provided that the strap of the garment is at least as wide as the longer side of a student ID card. Muscle

shirts are inappropriate. (exclusion- team uniforms and appropriate practice attire)

Violations of any of the guidelines above shall result in dismissal from the campus without refund if the student does not reach compliance when given the opportunity to do so.

Conduct: All students shall conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times as deemed acceptable by the chaperones, faculty and administration present at the school-sponsored activity.

- Profanity of any kind is unacceptable.
- Any sexually explicit or inappropriate behavior is unacceptable.
- Any student leaving a school-sponsored activity will not be allowed to re-enter unless given prior approval from a supervising adult.
- Any type of physical or verbal abuse of another person is unacceptable.
- Any other inappropriate behavior is unacceptable.

Violations of any of the guidelines above shall result in dismissal from the campus without refund. Additional action may be taken based upon Marshall County Schools Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline.

Tobacco possession or use: Any student found in possession of tobacco products or using tobacco products during a school-sponsored activity shall be dismissed from the activity without refund. Additional action will be taken based upon Marshall County Schools Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline.

Drug/alcohol possession or use: Any student found in possession of drugs or alcohol during a school-sponsored activity or in attendance at a school-sponsored activity after drug or alcohol use will be banned from all school-sponsored activities for the period of one calendar year. Additional action will be taken based upon Marshall County Schools Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline.

Possession of weapons: Any student found in possession of any instrument, such as fireworks, explosives, knives, clubs, guns, chains (capable of being used as weapons), metal combs, razor blades, and the like that can be used to inflict bodily injury to another person will be banned from all school-sponsored activities for the period of one calendar year. Additional action will be taken based upon Marshall County Schools Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE: A student may be searched if there is reasonable grounds for suspecting that the search will reveal evidence that the student has violated either the law or the rules of the school. A particular student's effects also are subject to the same rule. Effects include automobiles located on school property. Illegal items, contraband or other possessions reasonably determined by the proper school authorities to be a threat to the student's safety or a violation of school policy shall be seized by school officials.(See page 17 of the Marshall County School Code of Conduct book.)