



ALLAPATTAH FLATS K 8 26 –27 DRESS CODE

Allapattah Flats, in collaboration with the School Advisory Council, has established the following dress code requirements, which will be strictly enforced. Please contact the school if you have any questions. Administration is the final authority on all Dress Code issues.

Shirts and Tops: Students may wear short- or long-sleeved T-shirts, collared shirts, or Allapattah spirit shirts. Shirts must be appropriately sized and always cover the midriff and lower back, including when seated. Skin must remain covered from the shoulders to mid-thigh. Clothing must be in good repair, appropriately hemmed, non-see-through, and free of tears or mesh fabric. Sleeveless shirts, spaghetti straps, and camisoles worn as outerwear are not permitted. A camisole may be worn under a collared shirt for hygiene purposes and is required under V-neck shirts. Students may not write on, color, or alter their shirts. Clothing may not display messages or graphics that are offensive, promote a personal agenda, or disrupt the learning environment, as determined by school administration.

Jeans, Pants, Shorts, Skorts, and Jumper-Style Dresses: Students may wear fingertip-length shorts and skorts, knee-length skirts, and knee-length jumper-style dresses. School sweatpants purchased from the front office may also be worn. All bottoms must be appropriately sized and worn at the waist. Clothing must cover the body from shoulder to mid-thigh, and no skin may be visible above the knees. Pants must be appropriately hemmed and may not drag on the floor or have frayed hems. Oversized or excessively baggy pants are not permitted. Students may not alter school-issued sweatpants (e.g., cuts, writing, or other modifications). Jeggings, leggings (except for students in grades K–3), bike shorts, athletic shorts, sleepwear, and any fabrics or designs resembling pajama pants are not permitted.

Shoes: Students must wear closed-toe shoes with a back; athletic shoes are recommended. Footwear that extends above mid-calf and shoes with wheels are not permitted. Shoes must not interfere with physical education, recess, stair use, or timely transitions between classes. Athletic shoes should be worn for PE, and Crocs are not permitted during PE activities.

Jackets, Sweaters, and Hoodies: School sweatshirt hoodies purchased through the school may be worn daily; eighth-grade hoodies will be black. Students must wear a dress code-appropriate shirt underneath all hoodies. Hoodies may not be worn as a shirt. Hoods may not be worn at any time.

Physical Education Class: Elementary students participate in daily recess and physical education at least once per week. Appropriate athletic shoes are required for outdoor activities, team sports, and PE classes; Crocs are not permitted during PE. Middle school students must wear the school-issued PE uniform, available for purchase in the front office. Students who do not wear the required PE uniform will be assigned alternative activities and may not receive participation credit for that class period.

Hair: Administration is the final authority on dress code issues including Hair.

Jewelry: Students may not wear items with sharp edges, chokers, or bracelets with spikes, or anything that may cause major distractions.

Important Notes: Athletic wear, warm up suits, spandex, and gym shorts (except school PE uniform) are prohibited.

Jewelry must be small, discrete, and must not create a safety hazard or distraction. No clothing or accessories that promote drugs, tobacco, alcohol or violence are permitted. No gang paraphernalia is permitted.

Dress Code violations will be enforced using a progressive discipline process which includes:

- *1st violation:* Student will receive a warning. Parents will be contacted to bring a change of clothes.
- *2nd violation:* Student will receive a "Behavior Incident Reporting" (BIR). Parents will be contacted to bring a change of clothes.
- *3rd violation:* Student will receive a Discipline Referral for Dress Code per the SLPS Code of Conduct.
- *4th + violation:* Student will receive a Discipline Referral for Dress Code per the SLPS Code of Conduct and will not return to class until requirements are met.

Consequences for Dress Code infractions may include In-School Suspension, Work Detail, or After School Detention. Failure to correct an immediate "correctable" violation (e.g. securing pants at the waist, etc.) may result in a discipline referral for Disrespect or Open Defiance of Authority.

8th Grade Privileges: During the last two weeks of school, 8th grade students with no more than 3 BIRs/Referrals for the school year will be allowed to wear athletic shorts (appropriate length), leggings (with appropriate shirts that cover hips), and slides (no bedroom slippers).

Cell Phone and Electronic Device Policy: Florida House Bill 1105 prohibits the use of Wireless Communication Devices during the school day. Students may not use Wireless Communication Devices to take pictures or videos, play games, search information, engage in social media, make calls, or text messages anywhere on campus and school grounds. If a cell phone or other electronic device (including smart watches, earbuds, etc.) is confiscated, the following consequences will be applied.

- *1st offense:* Device is returned at the end of the school day to the student.
- *2nd offense:* Device is returned to a parent or guardian.
- *3rd offense:* Loss of privilege to have the device on campus. The device must be checked in to the Dean's office upon arrival at school each day and will be returned to the student at the end of the school day.

Students may not have a phone in their possession during assessments. Students are required to place the phone in a backpack or turn the phone into the teacher during assessments.