

JOHNAKIN MIDDLE SCHOOL
2022-2023

Student/Parent Handbook



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School Direction

Johnakin Middle School is a community with a vision that thrives on Academic Excellence, Fox Pride, Community Involvement, and an endless thirst for Knowledge. Johnakin Middle School will foster an environment predicated on respect and integrity. This will provide a platform that allows our students to be productive citizens worldwide.

This agenda belongs to:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/TOWN _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE _____

STUDENT NO. _____



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Johnakin Middle School Purpose

The purpose of Johnakin Middle School is to educate, prepare and inspire students to be productive citizens in a changing global society.

PBIS & Fox PRIDE

Johnakin Middle School is a PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) school. We believe that the environment must be safe, secure, positive and caring for all students and staff. We further believe that such an environment promotes learning and good citizenship. As a community, we must work together to create that environment and believe the following values to be essential. In order to be successful, students will show their **Fox PRIDE**.

Personal Responsibility: Accept responsibility for your actions and be prepared for consequences-**integrity**

Respect: Treat others how you wish to be treated

Individual Readiness: Be prepared for school every day-materials, homework, positive attitude-**Self direction, work ethic**

Demonstrated Learning: Your actions will show that you understand all expectations-**perseverance**

Effective Behavior: Following instructions politely, accepting no for an answer-**interpersonal skills**

Attendance

Students are expected to attend school regularly. Regular attendance is necessary if students are to make the desired and

expected academic and social progress. South Carolina law requires regular school attendance for every child who is at least five years old on or before the first day of September of a particular school year, until the child turns 17 years old.

Any student who misses school **must** present a written excuse, signed by his/her parent/legal guardian or licensed health care practitioner. Excuses must be presented **within three days of the student's return to school**. The reason and the date of the absence should be stated. The school administration will keep all excuses confidential.

If a student fails to bring a valid excuse to school, he/she will receive an unexcused absence. If a student brings a false (or forged) excuse, the student will be referred to the school administration for appropriate action.

In order to be promoted to the next grade, Johnakin Middle School students must attend 170 of the 180 days school is in session.

Truancy

State Department of Education regulations require schools to immediately intervene when a student has acquired three consecutive unlawful absences or a total of five unlawful absences. School personnel must identify the reasons for the unlawful absences and complete a Student Attendance Intervention Plan. Contact the attendance clerk, for more information.

Tardy Policy and Procedures

1. Punctuality is one of the most important skills that a person can learn. It is a skill that directly correlates to an

individual's success in the business world. Also, to prevent disruption of the learning process, it is important for students to arrive to class on time. Students will be marked tardy after 8:05 a.m.

2. Teachers will begin classes on time.
3. Students who arrive late to class with a pass from a staff member will not be counted tardy unless the pass specifically notes that the student is unexcused.
4. The following procedure will be followed:
 - a. Parent contact will be made on the fourth unexcused tardy.
 - b. An office referral will be written for the fifth tardy and each tardy after.
 - c. Tardies will start over each nine weeks.

Sign In/Out

Students arriving to school late **should be signed in by a parent or guardian**. Only authorized persons who are listed in powerschool will be allowed to sign out students. Students who are late for school 4 or more times in a quarter will receive school-level discipline. Refer to item 4 under school tardy policy.

If you need to sign your child out before **2:35 pm**, please send a written note to the office first thing in the morning. In addition, please try to sign your child out around class change times. It is important that we utilize all of our instructional time with as few interruptions as possible. No students will be signed out after 2:35 pm without prior permission from the principal.

Make-Up Work

Teachers will permit students to make-up work missed during an absence as long as

the student makes arrangements with the teacher no later than the student's fifth day back at school. The student must complete the work within 10 days after his/her return to school.

Arrival and Dismissal

Whether you walk to school or ride a bus, practice every safety rule and protect yourself with continuous safety consciousness. Cooperate willingly with the crossing guard and staff members on duty.

Supervision of students begins daily at **7:30 AM**. Students should not be on school grounds before that time.

Students are expected to be in school by **8:05 daily** and are considered tardy if they arrive after. Instruction begins at 8:10. School is dismissed at 3:15.

Students should use the approved exit and entrance. Walkers use the front entrance and report immediately to the grade level area in the morning. Upon exiting the building at the end of the school day, students **MAY NOT** re-enter without permission.

Parents driving students to and from school should use the designated car rider lanes. Drivers are asked to drive slowly and watch for students crossing the lane. For the safety of students, car riders **MAY NOT** be dropped off in front of the building. Car riders should report to the designated pick-up area immediately after school. Drivers are asked to **NEVER** leave cars unattended in the car rider lane to enter the building.

The street crossing guard is positioned at the front gate entrance. The crossing guard is on duty from 7:30 am until 8:15 am and from 3:00 pm until 3:45 pm. During these times, parents **will not** be

allowed to come through the front gate entrance. Since students will be walking in that area, we cannot allow cars to enter and leave through that entrance. Parents should park in the parking lot beside the car rider line and report to the office through the front entrance.

All drivers and walkers must follow the directions of the crossing guard. Students not involved in any after school activity or extracurricular activity must leave the school grounds immediately after school dismisses.

Bus Changes

For all bus changes contact Ms. Angel McClellan or Ms. Michelle Barren at 423-8360.

Bicycles

We suggest you record your bicycle serial number. When riding your bike, please follow traffic rules. Park and lock your bike in the bike rack in front of the school. Bicycles are never to be ridden on school grounds.

Change of Address/Telephone #

It is very important that every student maintain an up-to-date address and telephone number record in the school office. Notify the school immediately if you have a change of address or telephone number during the school year. Contact Ms. Angel McClellan or Ms. Michelle Barren at 423-8360. **It is the responsibility of the parent to submit any changes in their home addresses or telephone numbers to the main office.**

Getting Involved

In National PTA standards (1997), *parent* is recognized as the adults who play an important role in a child's family life, since other adults – grandparents, aunts, uncles, step-parents, and guardians – may carry the primary responsibility for a child's education, development, and well-being. When families are involved in their children's education in positive ways, children achieve higher grades and test scores, have better attendance at school, complete more homework, demonstrate attitudes that are more positive, graduate at higher rates, and have greater enrollment in higher education (Henderson & Berla, 1994). Henderson (1988) wrote "the family, not the school, provides the primary education environment for children."

Parents are encouraged to attend monthly School Improvement Council meetings, quarterly awards programs, quarterly PTO meetings, Open Houses and all other school events.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will be conducted during each interim reports pickup date. Parents are encouraged to schedule conferences with their child's teachers regularly by contacting the teacher individually or by contacting the guidance office for a conference with the team. Teachers are available to conference with parents during their planning periods and after school hours. Parents are encouraged to share their email addresses with teachers and visit our website to access teachers' emails to facilitate frequent communication.

Parents may contact our media center for directions to sign-up for Parent Powerschool Portal to have access to grades and attendance.

Parents of 8th graders are required to participate in the Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) conference.

Visitors

Johnakin Middle School encourages parents and other citizens of the community to visit classrooms to observe the work of the school. Visitors must not hinder the instructional process. All visitors are required to report to the Johnakin Middle School Main Office and receive a visitors badge and authorization before visiting elsewhere in the building. According to Article 11, SECTION 59-63-1110 and SECTION 59-63-1120. State law allows school administrators to conduct reasonable searches of the person and property of visitors on school premises. A notice of this right is posted at every entrance.

Food and Drinks

Food and drinks are not to be eaten in the classrooms or hallways. They are restricted to the cafeteria and break areas. Occasionally, teachers may provide snacks for students as an incentive. Glass bottles and containers are prohibited at all times. Food and drinks from outside vendors (McDonalds, Wendys, Hardees, Burger King, Bojangles, etc.) are not allowed in the building.

School Canteen

All students will have access to our school-run canteen during their lunch. All items will follow the federal guideline for Smart Snacks.

Due to new Federal guidelines, snacks containing 200 or more calories are

not allowed to be sold during the school day.

Fundraising

Our school will sponsor a fundraiser campaign each year. Selling will be voluntary and no minimum sales will be required. The school PTO will be in charge of the fundraiser.

Individual clubs may also have smaller fundraisers throughout the year.

Food Service

Breakfast is served daily from 7:30 until 8:05 am. Students must eat in designated areas. Students are allowed to remain in the cafeteria only while eating breakfast.

Lunches are served by grade level. Students may bring lunch to school. **Parents are asked NOT to bring fast food lunches to students. The office staff will not accept lunch deliveries for students.**

Breakfast and lunch is free for all students.

Grading Policy

The grade for the marking period represents an average of tests, quizzes, homework, oral and/or written reports, projects, and class work as determined by district and school policy.

The district and school grading scale is as follows:

- A 90-100**
- B 80-89**
- C 70-79**
- D 60-69**

F 59 and below

Each student is expected to successfully complete Language Arts, Math, Social Studies and Science in the Johnakin Middle School curriculum before promotion to the following grade or to the high school. To stay up-to-date with your child’s academic progress, be sure to get your log in information for the **Parent Powerschool Portal**.

Promotions and Retentions

Promotions and retentions are based on an evaluation of academic, physical, social, and emotional growth. MCS D Policy states that students must reach 60% mastery in math, language arts, social studies and science for promotion. Failure to meet these standards may result in a recommendation for summer school or retention. The principal, in consultation with parents and teachers, makes all final decisions concerning promotion or retention for each individual student.

Read to Succeed

In June 2014, the South Carolina General Assembly passed Act 284 (Read to Succeed), as a monumental step toward closing the state’s achievement gap and increasing opportunities for all students in South Carolina. The goal of **Read to Succeed** is to ensure all students graduate from high school with the reading and writing skills they need to be college- and career-ready. Johnakin Middle school will ensure that all teachers have the tools, skills, and knowledge they need to ensure that students have every opportunity to achieve the literacy skills required to be ready for high school and beyond.

Homework

Homework is regarded as an important part of each student’s education. The amount and frequency of homework may vary according to grade and subject but will increase at successive grade levels. If your child seems to have either too much or too little homework, please feel free to contact the teacher. Homework is important; it is an extension of the learning that takes place in school. Homework can provide practice and drill that reinforces classroom learning, can provide opportunities for independent study, research, and creative thinking. Parents can help their children by arranging a quiet, comfortable place for the student to work and by making sure that assignments are completed.

Textbooks

Textbooks are issued to students for their use. Students are responsible for their textbooks. Fees will be charged for lost or damaged textbooks. If a book is lost or damaged beyond use, the entire amount of the book must be paid.

Awards

Johnakin Middle School will hold quarterly awards programs. These awards are intended to promote and recognize academic skills and various aspects of good citizenship. Teachers and parents are expected to promote these awards as an encouragement and an incentive towards special effort and achievement by the students. Recognition is given for academics, attendance, and character.

Perfect Attendance awards will be given to students who have perfect attendance for all classes during the school year.

The Honor Roll is a special recognition for academic achievement. It is based on the

total grade point average for the grading period. Students will be recognized on the **AB Honor Roll** for maintaining a grade of 80 or above in all classes-**including electives**. The **A Honor Roll** recognizes students with all A's a 90 or above in all classes **including electives**.

The **Principal's Award** is given to students with all A's in all classes (including electives) with no classroom or school behavior infractions.

Once in the gym, sit in the area designated for your grade/class.

When someone is speaking, stop talking and listen.

Follow all directions by the speaker.

Do not at any time boo or demean others.

Remain respectful throughout the entire assembly.

Follow directions from the principal or designee about dismissal procedures.

Assemblies/Special programs

During the school year we will have special programs, assemblies and pep rallies. Student behavior for these programs are listed below. Teachers will teach expectations to our students.

Student behavior:

Formal assemblies (awards assemblies, guest speakers...)

Accompany your teacher to the gym.

Sit in the designated area for your class (your teacher will share this with you).

Remain with your class and teacher.

When colors are being presented, stop talking.

When speaker begins talking, give him or her, your undivided attention, do not talk.

Never boo, whistle, yell, chant, or foot stomp unless directed to do so by the speaker.

During the assembly, continue to pay attention to the speaker.

At the conclusion of the assembly, remain seated until you are dismissed. Exit quietly.

Informal assemblies (pep rallies...)

Accompany teacher to the gym.

Athletics

All 7th & 8th grade students are eligible to participate in sports activities. Sports available at JMS are football, basketball, and cheerleading. Students are also eligible to participate in a limited number of JV and varsity sports (i.e. track, volleyball, wrestling, tennis, cross country, baseball, golf, softball, and basketball) at Marion High School.

Athletic programs are intended to teach and develop physical skills, mental discipline, sportsmanship, and the striving school spirit necessary for successful living. All eligible students are encouraged to participate regardless of their present skill level or experience. Athletes are students first and therefore academic eligibility must be met before students are allowed to try out for a team.

Illness or Injury

In the event of illness or injury, Johnakin Middle School will follow procedures for the proper handling of such emergencies. The school nurse or another trained person will be responsible for administering first aid.

The school will notify the student's parent/legal guardian of the student's illness or injury. The school will request that the parent/legal guardian make appropriate arrangements for the student's care. If the school cannot contact the parent/legal guardian immediately when a very serious accident occurs or when a child becomes alarmingly ill, the school will summons medical services or an ambulance to take the child to the appropriate medical facility. Johnakin Middle School will notify the parent/legal guardian as soon as possible. Johnakin Middle School will administer first aid/emergency care and the routine delivery of health services to students according to the procedures specified in the Health Services Procedures Manual. Parents must complete a school nurse form before the nurse can administer nonemergency care and/or medications. Contact our school nurse for more information.

Medications

A properly signed and dated request on the District approved form from the parent/legal guardian must be on file in the student's health record prior to administration of any medication, both prescription and over the counter, by school district personnel. School personnel contacted by parents, via telephone, are unable to dispense any medication without a signed medication permission form in place.

Medication permission forms and medication orders must be updated at the beginning of each new school year for each new or different medication and when changes are made to the student's medication regimen. One permission form per school year will suffice for medications that will be given on a long-term basis.

Medications must be provided in individual pharmacy-labeled bottles by the parent/legal guardian for each medication. The bottle label must contain the student's name, date, medication name, dosage strength and the directions for use, the name of the prescriber, and the name and address of the pharmacy.

Disciplinary action will be taken for those students who have medication in their possession without a signed consent from their health care provider and the provision of an Individualized Health Care Plan.

Parents are responsible to pick up unused medicine at the end of the school year. Any medication not picked up will be destroyed as mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Contact our school nurse for more information.

Immunizations

South Carolina law requires students maintain current required vaccinations, screening and immunizations that are annually determined and published by the Department of Health and Environmental Control. These immunizations are necessary to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It is required each student have on file a certificate of immunization showing that he/she has been adequately immunized against such diseases. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Form 1125E (Revised 92) completed by a licensed physician or the local Health Department will meet the requirements of an adequate certificate of immunization. Students will not be permitted to attend school without proper immunization.

All seventh graders are required to have the D-tap vaccination before the school year begins.

Discipline

Students are to follow all classroom/ school expectations and rules. Consequences for failing to follow these expectations include (but are not limited to): parent contact, loss of recess, in-school suspension, parent conferences and out-of-school suspension according to the districts code of conduct.

Students who are in frequent violation of rules and expectations and accumulate 10 or more demerits may be referred for an evidentiary hearing for placement at our district's alternative school.

Each student will receive a Marion School District *Code of Conduct* as well as specific rules and expectations for JMS from teachers.

Off-Limit Areas

Our school is maintained and operated for the benefit of our students. However, common sense and safety considerations dictate the designation of a few off-limit areas where students are not allowed. Some of these areas include storage rooms, teachers' mail room, kitchen area, and off-grade level halls.

Cell Phones/Electronic Devices

Cell Phones as well as other electronic devices **should be left at home**. However, if a parent allows their child to bring one to school, it must remain off, away (put in bookbags and not in pockets) and not visible during the school day. JMS is not responsible for the loss or theft of these devices. If a device is confiscated, the student will receive a discipline referral.

The device will be returned to the parent on the 1st and 2nd offenses and kept until the end of the school year on the 3rd offense per MCSD board policy. Electronic devices include cell phones, ear phones, air pods, blue tooth headsets, iPads, iPods...

The district policy allows devices to be used for educational purposes under the supervision of a teacher.

Search and Seizure Policy

Students and their belongings are subject to reasonable searches and seizures when administrators have a belief considered to be reasonable under these circumstances according to Article 11, SECTION 59-63-1110 and SECTION 59-63-1120:

- A student committed a crime or a violation of a school rule.
- Such a search will reveal contraband or evidence of a violation of a school rule or a criminal law.

Any search conducted must be reasonable in scope given the age and gender of the student and the nature of the alleged infraction. Only the principal or his/her designee may conduct such searches within the constitutional parameters outlined above unless extreme circumstances exist which require another staff member to take immediate action for safety reasons.

Teachers and principals may question students about any matter pertaining to the operation of school and/or enforcement of its rules. The staff member will conduct the questioning discreetly and under circumstances which will avoid unnecessary embarrassment to the person being questioned. Any student who answers falsely or evasively or who refuses to answer a question may be disciplined.

When law enforcement officers find it necessary to question students during the school day, the school principal or his/her designee will be present. If police intend to take a student into custody or arrest a student, they must present an official warrant. The principal will assist the law enforcement officer in assuring that all procedural safeguards as prescribed by law are observed.

School administrators will contact law enforcement authorities immediately upon notice that a person is engaging in or has engaged in certain activities on school property or at a school sanctioned or sponsored activity. Those activities are ones which may result, or do in fact result, in injury or serious threat of injury to the person or to another person or his/her property.

SRO Program

The School Resource Officer is assigned to JMS by the Marion Sheriff's Department. He or she is a great resource for our school and students and works closely with our students and staff. He or she is first and foremost an officer of the law. The SRO will determine based on the policies and procedures of the Marion Sheriff's Department, when charges will be filed, when to release students to the custody of their parents, or when to transport students to a law enforcement facility. Every effort will be made by the administration to contact parents. If you have any questions, please contact our SRO at 423-8360.

Student Handbook

All JMS students will be given a student handbook for the 2021-2022 school year. Students' handbooks are excellent

organizational and informational tools for students and parents. Students may record homework assignments, upcoming test dates, and other important information in their handbooks. Teachers may also use the handbooks as a communication tool with parents. Parents are asked to monitor students' use of this organizational and planning tool.

Each handbook has a STUDENT PASSPORT in the back. Passports will be used as hall passes by students. If students lose their agenda, a new one may be purchased for \$5.00 each.

School Counselors

Johnakin Middle School has a counselor available to assist students and parents with a variety of issues that are a part of student life. He or she is knowledgeable of the curriculum and the developmental needs of the Fox Family. Furthermore, in an effort to better serve our students, JMS has partnered with Trinity Behavioral Care, Rehabilitative Health Services and the Department of Mental Health in an effort to better serve our students and their families.

The Internet

The Internet is a network of computers that can be used by educators as a teaching resource and by students as a research tool much in the same manner as books, periodicals, videos, CD-ROMS and other information sources. The use of the Internet will follow established district guidelines for the selection and use of instructional materials.

We recognize that the Internet is a fluid environment, the information that may be available to use is constantly changing; therefore, it is impossible to predict with

certainly what information users might locate. It is the user's responsibility not to initiate access to such material. The use of the Internet for unethical or illegal purposes is just cause for taking disciplinary actions, as well as limiting or revoking access privileges. Teachers will supervise and model appropriate use of the Internet. Students will continue to have Internet access under direct supervision; however, students will also experience guided practice leading towards gaining skills to become independent, responsible users of the Internet. Teachers will make every effort to ensure that students are directed only to sites with age and topic appropriate materials and resources. Contact our Media Specialist at 423-8360 for more information.

School Dances

School dances are an earned privilege. Students may be denied the opportunity to attend according to their discipline record. Students will know in advance if they are eligible to attend.

All school dances will be chaperoned by a combination of teachers and administrators as well as the SRO. Dances are open to current Johnakin Middle School students ONLY! Dances will be scheduled to end by 9:00 pm. Students arriving late or leaving early must have a note from their parent indicating the expected time of arrival or the time of departure. Students are required to remain only in prescribed areas. **No** alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or non-prescribed drugs or medications are allowed at any school function or on the school grounds. Specific dress codes will be announced prior to the event.

Junior Beta Club

The mission of the National Beta Club is *to promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, service and leadership among elementary and secondary students.*

The requirements for induction into the JMS Junior Beta Club are:

- a cumulative yearly average of 90 or higher **OR** all grades 87 or higher **including electives**
- a successful review of behavioral history including no OSS on record
- If a member is placed on academic or behavioral probation, s/he has one semester in which to redeem his/her standing.
- Each member has to accumulate at least 16 service hours per semester to remain qualified.

For more information, please contact the school.

Honors Algebra I and English I– Grade 8

Eighth grade students who are state identified as Talented and Gifted in math or reading are placed in Algebra I and/or English 1. Other students must meet two of the following three criteria to be considered for placement in Honors:

- 7th grade SC READY score Exceeds or other state assessment
- Teacher recommendation
- 7th grade Spring MAP score Exemplary 4 or 5

Homecoming Queen Guidelines

The JMS Student Council sponsors and plans our annual homecoming celebration. The guidelines for the selection of homecoming queen are:

1. Each eligible eighth grade participant in the football program (player, manager) may sponsor a Johnakin Middle School student to participate in the homecoming program.

2. To qualify for nomination as a homecoming queen candidate, a student must have an overall passing average, have no Out of School Suspensions within the current school year, and displays Fox PRIDE consistently.

3. The candidates' names will be placed on a ballot in alphabetical order.

4. A student may cast only one vote in this election.

5. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes will be declared the homecoming queen.

6. The results of the election will be announced during the half-time ceremonies at the homecoming game.

7. In the event that the elected homecoming queen is no longer enrolled at Johnakin Middle School, the first runner-up will assume the duties of homecoming queen.

The dress code for the queen candidates and their escorts will be announced when candidates have been approved for participation.

7th Grade Marshals – Twelve Students

1. An average of first semester grades will be combined with the second semester grades for all subjects-**including electives** - to get the yearly average.

2. The final grades for each course will be added together and divided by the number of courses to determine the overall percentage.

3. The top twelve students will be the 7th grade marshals. If a student in the top twelve declines or does not return a permission slip by the required date, the student with the next highest average will be offered his/her position.

8th Grade Hall of Fame Inductee

Highest Average Student (Hall of Fame Inductee)

1. A weighted average using the Uniform Grading Policy of first semester grades will be combined with the second semester grades for all subjects - **including electives** - to obtain the yearly average.

2. The final grades for each course will be added together and divided by the total number of courses to determine the overall Grade Point Average (GPA).

3. The Hall of Fame committee will make the presentation for their selection.

8th Grade Advancement/Awards Ceremony

To be eligible to participate in the Advancement Ceremony, eighth grade students will need:

*To be in attendance for the practice during the school day.

*To have a passing yearly average in **all** subject areas (Math, ELA, SS, and Science).

*All athletic obligations cleared with coaches (uniforms, equipment, etc. . .)

*All ID fines and book fines cleared with the media center.

*All textbooks/damaged textbook fines cleared with the academic teachers.

* Individual Graduation Plan conference held with face-to-face parent or guardian participation.

*All fees, including lunch fees, cleared in the office.

*All fines, fees, and obligations must be met **on or before the advancement practice** regardless of whether the student is in attendance on that day or not.

Parents will be notified if their child does not meet the participation requirements.

Appropriate attire for Girls:

White or black skirts, white or black slacks, white or black blouses, white or black dresses, and white or black Sunday shoes (low heels or flats).

No tennis shoes or flip flops. No halter tops. No sunglasses.

**MCSD Dress Code will be in effect.

Appropriate attire for Boys:

White collared shirts and dark slacks with a dark belt, socks and dark Sunday shoes. Suit and tie are optional.

No tennis shoes or flip flops. No hats or sunglasses.

**MCSD Dress Code will be in effect.

Success) when the principal will grant students the privilege to wear regular clothes.

Pants

- Khaki pants/capris/skirts/shorts
- No cargo style pants
- Belts must be worn
- All pants must be worn appropriately at the waist without sagging and they should not be tight-fitting
- All pants/capris/skirts/shorts must be worn appropriately as the manufacturer intended
- Skirts/shorts must be at least finger tip length
- No leggings/jeggings may be worn

Shirts

- Long or short sleeve polo shirts (solid colored)
JMS logo encouraged
- All shirts must be tucked in (girls and boys)
- Undershirts/thermals must be white or the same color as the shirt
- Shirts must not reveal any areas of the waist or upper body
- Colors
 - 6th grade –black
 - 7th grade –gold
 - 8th grade – maroon

Over garments

- If coats/jackets/hoodies are worn in the hallways, they must be the same color of the uniform shirt. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Grade level shirts and hoodies with the JMS logo are encouraged. Ordering information is on our website.

Shoes/Socks

MCSD Uniform Dress Code

All Johnakin Middle School students will wear uniforms to school and to school functions, including field trips. There may be special occasions (see Dress for

- No bedroom shoes
- No heels higher than one inch
- No shoes with wheels
- Crocs worn as slides (strap off of heel and ankle strap resting on the front to wear as slides) violates the uniform dress code
- Shoes must be tied, buckled or worn as the manufacturer intended. Shoes that cause undue attention are prohibited.
- Closed toe shoes must be worn

Headwear

- Hair bows and ribbons are acceptable headwear for girls
- No hats, sweatbands, headbands, bandanas, picks, rags, scarves, princess tiaras or sunglasses can be worn as headwear
- Picks with metal prongs **are not** allowed at school

Jewelry

- Should be worn in a fashion that is not offensive to others, disruptive to the learning environment, or promote any illegal activity.

ID Cards

- ID cards must be worn between the chin and the belt. Preferably, around the neck on a lanyard.

Anything worn that does not fall within the above guidelines fails to meet the Johnakin Middle School dress code and is not permissible.

The Johnakin Middle School dress code will be amended as necessary.

The school administration will use discretion in determining whether or not dress is inappropriate/appropriate, safe/unsafe to the educational environment.

Dress for Success

Occasionally during the school year, we will have announced Dress for Success days. Please note the dress code for these days listed below.

Bottoms:

- Slacks may be worn-
 - Not jeans
 - Worn at the waist
 - Not tight fitting
 - No shorts
 - No cargo pants
- Skirts, dresses must be at least finger-tip length-including any split
 - No leggings or jeggings
 - Tights may be worn with skirts or dresses

Shirts:

- Dress shirts or blouses
 - Must be worn as intended-if it has tails then it must be tucked in
 - Ties are not required, but encouraged
 - Areas of the upper body or waist should be covered
 - No T-Shirts

Shoes:

- Closed toed shoes
- No bedroom shoes
- Crocs worn as slides (strap off of heel) violates the uniform dress code

MARION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2022 – 2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**YEAR ROUND
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Board Approved February 15, 2022

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Intersession Days	School Days	In-Service Days	Early Dismissal/Prof Dev	Half Days	Interim Reports/Conf.
	Holidays-No School	Students Return	End of Grading Period	Testing Days	
Make-up Days Due to Emergency/Inclement Weather: Dec 19 th , Feb 24 th , Apr 7 th					

Early Dismissal Times:

Primary / Elementary Schools 12:00 PM
Middle / High Schools 1:00 PM

Half Days Dismissal Times:

Primary / Elementary Schools 11:30 AM
Middle / High Schools 12:30 PM