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Dear Students and Parents,

It is an honor to serve as your principal this year. We will work as a team to ensure that we have a wonderful, successful school year. A school year that is filled with hands-on learning activities to ensure students are excited about attending school. I look forward to working with each student and parent to provide a positive learning environment for everyone. Students are expected to be respectful at all times and students should expect to be respected at all times. If you should ever need me, then please contact me at 334-644-5953 or via email at dbell@lanettcityschools.org.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna Bell, Principal
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Vision

Preparing **LANETT** Students to

**Live** **Learn** **Lead**

Mission

Lanett City Schools will provide a supportive and rigorous educational environment that produces responsible, self-motivated students who are prepared for the future.

Beliefs

- All students can learn when provided a safe and supportive environment, strategies to address learning barriers, and high-quality instruction.
- Student success requires teamwork among staff, students, families, and the community.
- Progress in education requires a willingness to change.
- All students will graduate college or career ready.
Team LJH
Together Everyone Achieves More

Team LJH is a student reward system with a set of guidelines called ESSENTIALS that are designed to motivate students, to make learning engaging, and to improve student achievement and behavior.

The ESSENTIALS:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Supportive

Rewards for demonstrating the Essentials:

Students are invited to monthly HOUSE celebrations for demonstrating the Essentials.

Consequences for not demonstrating the Essentials:

- Strikes 1-3 which results in verbal warnings, student and parent conferences.
- Strikes 4-5 which results in Early Morning Detention
- Strikes 6 or higher - Referral to the principal’s office resulting in Saturday School, I.S.S., or O.S.S.

Early Morning Detention Procedures:

- Parents will receive notice of the early morning detention assignment at least one day before the detention is to be served.
- Detention is 7:00-7:25.
- Parents must sign their child in for detention.
- Failure to attend detention will result in additional consequences.

Early Morning Detention Rules:

- Arrive on time
- Bring learning materials
- Sit in assigned seat
- Complete assignment neatly and to the best of your ability

NOTE: Failure to follow the Early Morning Detention rules will result in the student being dismissed from the detention and additional consequences being issued.
The **ESSENTIALS** detailed:

- **Be Respectful**
  - Speak to adults and peers respectfully.
  - Listen to adults and peers when they are speaking.
  - Wait your turn.
  - Body language should demonstrate a business-like manner.

- **Be Responsible**
  - Arrive to class on time.
  - Bring all learning materials to class.
  - Do your best in all classes.
  - Follow school and classroom procedures.
  - Walk on the right side of the hallway.

- **Be Supportive**
  - Support your peers with positive comments and encouragement.
  - Help adults and peers.
  - Work cooperatively with peers.
TEAM LJH Houses
Together Everyone Achieves More

In addition to TEAM LJH Essentials, students will be randomly selected to become members of a TEAM LJH House. The Houses are groups with teacher leaders who work together to encourage positive behavior and success. House members are challenged to support and uplift each other, in an effort to promote a supportive learning environment.

House meetings are 25-minute sessions scheduled monthly. Brief social, academic, and career exploration lessons are developed by the assistant principal and presented by house leaders during house meetings. Students also discuss and prepare for school activities to promote motivation, teamwork, and school spirit.

4 Houses:

- Lunanga (Loo-nahn-gah) - House of Wisdom
- Ubuntu (oo-buun-too) – House of Kindness and Peace
- Folami – House of Respect and Honor
- Sebenza – House of Work and Effort
Title I School

Lanett Junior High is a Title I school. A school qualifies for Title I funding from the federal government if 40 percent of students enrolled are from low-income homes. This percent is measured by the number of students receiving free and reduced-priced lunch. Our Title I Parent Meeting is held at the beginning of each school year and is announced through our automated calling system.

Opening of School

The school will be open beginning at 7:00 am. Students who ride the bus will enter the school as their bus arrives. All students will enter the school through the Lanett Jr. High entrance. Seventh grade students will enter the gym through the door on the left and eighth grade students will enter the gym through the door on the right. Seventh grade students will sit on the left side of the gym and eighth grade students will sit on the right side of the gym.

Transportation

Please view the District Handbook for general guidelines about transportation.

Class Schedule

7:45–7:53 Homeroom/Announcements
7:55–8:45 1st Period
8:48–9:38 2nd Period
9:41–10:06 Club/Successful Skills
10:09–10:59 3rd Period
11:00–11:15 1st Lunch Wave
11:15-11:35 2nd Lunch Wave
11:25-12:18 4th Period
12:21–1:11 5th Period
1:14–2:04 6th Period
2:07–2:57 7th Period
2:57–3:00 Dismissal
**General Studies Classes**

LJHS students will have an English, math, science, social studies, PE, enrichment, and an elective class.

**Elective Classes**

LJHS offers band, technology, team building/health, performing arts/career prep, and yearbook as electives. Students will select their top two elective choices. Every effort will be made to get the student enrolled in one of their elective choices.

**Advanced Classes**

LJHS offers advanced classes in English language arts and math. For the 2020-2021 school year we will not offer eighth grade advanced math due to the change in the math course of study. Students are enrolled in these classes based on their state assessment scores, benchmark scores, and teacher recommendation. Parents or legal guardians may request their child’s information be reviewed for placement in an advanced class by contacting the school counselor.

**Academic Grading System**

Grading Scale:

A = 90-100  
B = 80-89  
C = 70-79  
D = 60-69  
F = 59 and below

The following percentages are used to calculate student averages:

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**Semester Test Exemption Policy**

Students may be exempt from semester tests in any class provided he/she has not been assigned to ISS, OSS, or Saturday School during the semester plus one of the following conditions:

1. has a numerical average of 90-100 in that class for the semester and has no more than 5 absences and no more than 2 tardies in that class for the school year.

OR
2. has a numerical average of 80-89 in that class for the semester and no more than 2 absences and no more than 2 tardies in that class for the school year.

OR

3. has a numerical average of 70-79 in that class for the semester and no absences and no tardies in that class for the school year.

*Absences and tardies include excused and unexcused absences and tardies.

Student Promotion and Retention

Students in 7th and 8th grade must pass math, English Language Arts, science, social studies, physical education, enrichment, and one elective class in order to be promoted to the next grade. Any student who does not meet the promotion requirements will go before the Promotion and Retention Committee.

Students shall be candidates for retention if they have accumulated 20 or more unexcused absences per year. After a student has been absent for a total of 10 days, a professional excuse is required in order for the absence to be excused.

Promotion of any student in a special education program, with the exception of gifted students, must be based on: his/her accomplishments of goals stated in the IEP, an IEP team decision, or meeting regular program requirements.

Attendance

After an absence from school, the student must submit a note/excuse to the office within five (5) days of the student’s return to school. Notes from the parent or guardian should state the specific reason for the absence and be signed by the parent or guardian. If the absence was due to a doctor’s visit, court appearance, or other verifiable means deemed acceptable by administration, a professional excuse should be submitted to the office. Failure to bring a note/excuse results in an unexcused absence. If a student is present at school for half of the day or more, they will be counted as present for the day. If a student is to be absent from school for more than two consecutive days, we ask that the parents notify the school secretary. Following an absence, parents are encouraged to call the school to verify that their child has turned in an excuse for their absence.

Please refer to the District Handbook for information about tardies to school and checking out of school.

Chronic Absenteeism

Chronic absenteeism is defined by the state as missing 18 or more days of school for any reason – including excused or unexcused absences. Chronic absenteeism is factored into the school’s overall report card that is issued by the state.
**Make-Up Work**

The day a student returns to school after an absence, he/she should consult with is/her teachers and determine what work was missed. The make-up work should be completed within five (5) school days upon the student's return to school. For more information, please view the District handbook.

**Textbooks**

Students are issued math textbooks at the beginning of the school year and will be held liable for the loss or for any damage. Math textbooks must be returned at the end of the school year. If textbooks are not returned, then the lost textbook fee must be paid prior to the student receiving their final report card.

**Progress Reports and Report Cards**

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NOTE: Students' final report card will be ready on June 3 beginning at 9:00 AM for parents or legal guardians to pick up.

**Parent Portal/Parental Involvement**

Chalkable-Inow Parent Portal is an online website that allows parents/guardians to view their child’s grades. All parents/guardians are encouraged to stop by the office to sign-up for Parent Portal. This is a wonderful tool for parents/guardians to be informed on your child’s education.

Parents are invited to attend our Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) meetings. These meetings will be announced through our automated calling system. We have a Parent Information page located at [https://www.lanettschools.org/parentresources](https://www.lanettschools.org/parentresources). Click on the Parent Portal Button to access your child’s grades.

**Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO)**

The PTSO supports the school’s vision in order for all students to reach their maximum potential. The PTSO focuses on fostering communication between parents, teachers, and students by supporting our students’ needs. The positions of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer will be voted upon at the first PTSO meeting at the beginning of each school year. The guidelines below will be followed:

- Principal approval is needed before planning student functions and when using the school facilities.
• All funding requests must be submitted to the officers using the PTSO Request for Funding Form. The bookkeeper in the office has this form.
• The president or vice-president must start the meetings on time, follow the agenda, and manage all meeting discussions. Members are encouraged to speak, but the discussion should not be allowed to get repetitive or argumentative. If there is a controversial discussion, then both sides should be heard. Any dissatisfaction should follow the chain of command: Principal, Superintendent, etc.
• Minutes must be taken at all meetings and a copy of the minutes should be submitted to the principal.
• Meetings will be announced through our automated calling system and on the school’s website.

Visitors

The Lanett City Schools operates under the premise of a closed campus policy. All visitors are required to report first to the school office to obtain a pass before going to any other part of the school. For more information, please see the District Handbook.

Interruptions/Telephone Calls/Messages

Interruptions to classes will be held to a minimum. Please do not call the school with messages for students unless it is a true emergency. Likewise, children will not be allowed to use the school telephone except for a valid reason. Arrangements for a child to go home in the afternoon should be made before the child leaves for school in the morning. Children should not expect to use the telephone in the afternoon after school to make transportation arrangements. Calling home to ask for forgotten supplies is not a valid reason and will not be allowed.

Monetary Payments

Lanett City Schools accepts cash, money orders, or cashier checks made payable to the school.

Lockers

Lockers will be issued to students based on their PE schedule this year. The locker rental fee will be waived, and students will only go to their locker before and after PE. Students are responsible for any damage to his/her locker. Lockers are school property and are subject to being searched.

Bookbags and Purses

Students will be allowed to carry a bookbag from class to class this year. Purses no larger than a half a sheet of notebook paper will be allowed. Students should limit the amount of items they are bringing to school.
Cafeteria

Breakfast and lunch will be provided to all students at no charge. Children may either eat the school lunch provided or bring a lunch from home. No soda or fast food are allowed. Students may purchase a second meal or a la carte items when they are available.

Students are expected to follow the school rules in all areas of the school including the cafeteria.

General guidelines:

- Walk through the lunch line
- Gather all trash before getting up
- Dispose of your trash properly

PIN numbers are issued to students by eligibility and are not to be used by anyone other than to whom it has been issued. The Child Nutrition Program is not allowed to charge meals or a la carte items.

Prices

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Gum, Food, and Drinks

There will be no gum in the building. No food or drinks (other than a bottle of water) are allowed in the classrooms unless it has been approved by Mrs. Bell. Water may be brought to school in a clear bottle.

Medication

Please view the District Handbook for information about medication.

No Fighting Policy

The Lanett City Schools has a no fighting policy. Any student actively engaged in a fight will be suspended.

In-School Suspension and Alternative School

**Electronic Devices**

Student use of cellular phones, other communication devices/electronic devices including smart watches, beepers, radios, CD players, ipods, etc., on Lanett City School grounds during school hours is strictly prohibited. **These electronic devices should remain off and out of sight during the school day.** This includes lunch breaks, class changes, study halls, and any other instructional activity that occurs during a normal school day.

Consequences for offenses will include the following:

- **1st Offense** – Phone/device will be confiscated and parent must pick it up 24 hours later. In case of weekends or holidays, it may be picked up on the next school day following the weekend or holiday.
- **2nd Offense** – Phone/device will be confiscated and held until the end of the semester. Parent must pick up the device no earlier than the last day of the semester.
- **3rd Offense** – Phone/device will be confiscated and held until the end of semester and the student will receive three (3) days of ISS. Parent must pick up the device no earlier than the last day of the semester.
- **4th Offense** – Phone/device will be confiscated and held until the last day of school and the student will receive three (3) days of OSS. Parent must pick up the device no earlier than the last day of the school year.

*Please note that phones not picked up by June 1, 2021 may no longer be kept on hand.* **Neither the local administration nor the school board assumes the responsibility for loss, theft, or destruction of cellular phones.**

**Internet Acceptable Use Policy**

Computers in the computer labs, classrooms, and library have internet access. In order for students to use the internet they must have a signed Internet Acceptable Use Permission Form on file at school. This form is in the District Handbook.

**School Library**

Students may check out books as long as the school has a permission slip on file signed by the student’s parent or legal guardian. If a book is lost or damaged the student is responsible for paying for the book before the student’s final report card is given to them.

**Clubs**

All students will be in a club every Monday during the school day. Students will select their top two club choices. Every effort will be made to get the student enrolled in one of their club choices.
**Student Council**

Student Council members will be selected from 7th and 8th grades. Students must have a C or higher average in all classes from the previous school year, and must not have been placed in I.S.S., O.S.S., or Saturday School. These requirements must be maintained throughout the school year. Any student council member who does not uphold these requirements will be placed on probation until the next progress report is given. Only one probation period is allowed. If a student does not uphold these requirements a second time, then he/she will be removed from the council.

**Honor Society**

Honor Society members will be selected form 7th and 8th grades. Students must have a 90 or higher average in math, English language arts, science, social studies, and enrichment for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarters, and students must not have received Saturday School, I.S.S., or O.S.S. for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarters.

**Homecoming**

Students will make nominations from his/her grade for homecoming. From this list, a ballot of the most nominated students from each grade will be made. Students for each grade will vote for the class court. Representatives and their escorts must not have been sent to I.S.S., O.S.S., or Saturday School. The queen will be the eighth grader having the highest number of votes. The princess will be the seventh grader having the highest number of votes.

**Spelling Bee**

All students may participate in the spelling bee competition. Practice sessions are held before the competition usually in December or January. Parents are encouraged to attend the spelling bee competition.

**Vision and Hearing Screenings**

Any student may have their vision or hearing screened at any time upon referral and written permission from their parent or guardian. A letter will be sent home informing parents if the student fails either screening.

**Special Education and Services**

Special education students, who are receiving all instruction in a regular classroom for a particular subject, will be evaluated in the subject according to the same standards as regular students and will be required to meet promotion standards in that subject unless otherwise specified in the student’s Individualized Education Program (IEP).
If a student is receiving all academic instruction in the special education classroom or is receiving instruction in a subject in both the regular and special education classrooms, the IEP developed by the IEP committee, will govern promotion.

Students with disabilities who engage in violation of the school’s code of conduct, and the behavior is not a result of or related to the disability, are subject to the school's disciplinary rules and procedures.

**Guidance Counseling Services**

A certified guidance counselor provides counseling services to all students. Services include individual and group counseling in such areas as developing a positive self-concept, decision making, and peer relations. Counseling is available upon request of student, teacher, or parent. Counseling is available for academic, personal, social, and emotional concerns of students.

**Hallways**

All students should walk to the right in the hallway. When students are walking through the gym, they should follow the arrows ensuring to stay on the right. This year students should exercise social distancing in the hallways to best of their ability.

**Drills**

Drill maps are located inside every classroom door and inside every door on our campus. Your teacher will discuss the procedures with you. For more information, please view the District Handbook.

**Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA)**

Students entering the 7th grade for the first time are eligible. Students entering the 8th grade must have passed during the last two semesters in attendance and summer school, if applicable, at least five new subjects with a minimum composite numerical average of 70 in those five subjects and must have been promoted to the next grade.
Uniform and Appearance  

DRESS CODE  

LANETT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Adopted: May 11, 2009  Amended:  
Sept. 14, 2009  
School Uniform and Appearance Policy  

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY  

I. Purpose  
The Lanett City Board of Education believes a safe and disciplined learning environment is the first requirement of a high performing school. The implementation of school uniforms will help minimize disruptive behavior, promote respect for oneself and others, build school/community spirit, and, more significantly, help to maintain high academic standards. The board also feels that the wearing of uniforms by students will help lessen the impact of socioeconomic differences. In addition, it allows for immediate identification of intruders on campus and encourages students to concentrate on learning rather than on what they are wearing.  

II. Implementation Process  
Students will be required to start wearing uniforms at the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.  

III. Information Dissemination  
School officials will communicate with parents/guardians concerning the uniform policy, including general guidelines for implementation, by using one or more of the following: newsletters, parent forums, PTO meetings, TV and radio announcements, flyers and website.  

IV. Appearance  
In addition to being required to wear school uniforms, all students are to be well-groomed and dressed appropriately for school and school activities. A student’s dress and/or appearance shall:  

1. Support, not disrupt, the learning environment  
2. Constitute no threat to health or safety  
3. Be tasteful and unable to be construed as provocative or obscene  
4. Reflect practices of good hygiene and cleanliness
Reasonable consideration shall be made for those students who, because of a sincerely held religious belief or medical reason, request a waiver of a particular guideline for dress or appearance. The waiver request shall be in writing from the parent or guardian and approved by the principal, principal’s designee or a committee selected by the principal, on an annual basis. In considering a waiver request, the principal, principal’s designee or committee members have the right to request additional documentation from medical officials and/or religious leaders.

Reasonable accommodation shall be made by the principal for students involved in special duties, activities, or projects approved by the school. This would include but not be limited to athletics, P.E. classes, special events, and other activities that require non-conforming dress on a school campus during a school-sponsored event.

V. School Uniform

The principal and/or principal’s designee will implement the school uniform and appearance policy in a manner that is age and developmentally appropriate. Good judgment in considering issues such as age, developmental stages, and body type are expected of all students, parents, and guardians in the selection of school attire and appearance. School uniforms must be kept neat, clean and properly fitted.

A. Shirts

1. Solid white, black, navy or ecru (light tan) button front oxford, polo, turtleneck, blouse-type shirts with collar and sleeves (long or short).
2. A small, unobtrusive logo that can be covered with a quarter is acceptable
3. All tops must be long enough to remain tucked in as part of the uniform.
4. Undershirts must be solid black or white with no wording or pictures (t-shirts are considered undershirts)
5. No see-through or mesh clothing that will reveal the body or will reveal undergarments shall be allowed.
6. Clothing shall be worn as it was designed to be worn (not inside-out or backwards, etc.).
7. A solid white, black, navy or ecru crew-neck or v-neck sweater or sweater vest is permissible in cold weather (with appropriate shirt underneath).
8. No sleeveless, spaghetti straps, or tank top shirts are permitted; all shirts must have a collar.

B. Pants, Skirts, Skorts, Jumpers, Capri Length Pants, Shorts

1. Colors: solid khaki, black, or navy
2. No blue jeans (denim material) or stretchy pants are allowed (see exception in Other Uniform Requirements).
3. Must be free of graphics and embroidery. With the exception of small labels, they may not have insignias, logos, words, or pictures. No rivets/studs on pants or pocket area.
4. Shorts, skirts, skirts and jumpers shall be modest and of sufficient length (The length of these articles of clothing shall preferably be knee-length, but absolutely no shorter than the width of a $1.00 bill from the knee when standing).
5. No pants or shorts with pockets halfway down the legs will be allowed.
6. Clothing must be appropriately sized. No baggy or sagging pants or shorts are allowed. No “low rise” clothing is allowed. Pants may not be worn with the waistband below the hipbone.
7. Clothing shall be worn appropriately (not inside-out or backwards; no rolled up pants legs, etc.)
8. Appropriate uniform shirts must be worn under all jumpers and sweaters.
9. No see-through or mesh clothing that will reveal the body or will reveal undergarments shall be allowed.
10. Pants, etc. with belt loops will require a belt. Belts must be a plain black, brown, navy or clear belt with a plain belt buckle that is not oversized. All belts must be buckled.

C. Coats

Individual schools may make requirements for coats and coat storage.

D. Shoes/Footwear/Socks

1. All students shall wear shoes/footwear at all times.
2. Shoes/socks can be black, white, navy, brown, gray (not shiny silver) or a combination in color. All visible parts of the shoe, including the logo, must be a board approved color. 
   At the secondary level (Jr. High and High School), a combination in color is defined as a solid colored shoe with a small amount of other board approved colors. Patterns; such as, polka-dots, camouflage, checks, stripes, other prints, etc. are not permitted at the secondary level.
3. Students may wear sandals, provided they do not interfere with the safety and welfare of the student and meet the color requirement for shoes.
4. Shoes shall be worn at all times, and, as needed, shoes shall conform to special requirements (such as P.E. classes, JROTC, science labs, etc.).
5. Shoes that have laces shall be laced and tied as designed.
6. No bedroom shoes shall be allowed.
7. No flip flops (or flip flop-type sandals) shall be allowed (see exception in Other Uniform Requirements)
E. Other Clothing Items or Accessories

1. No gang-related clothing, accessories, symbols or intimidating manner of dress, as identified by local law enforcement agencies, are allowed.
2. No headwear and no sunglasses shall be worn inside school buildings.
3. No bandanas or du-rags shall be allowed.

F. Other Uniform Requirements

1. Students are expected to be dressed according to the uniform standards at all times when school is in session.
2. Students who are taking classes that require a special dress code (such as JROTC) may wear that uniform to other classes.
3. Students with a documented physical disability may request a waiver.
4. Students will be allowed to “dress up” for the following activities; however if they do not participate in the “dress up” activity, the approved school uniform dress will be required: Homecoming week, spirit week, other special occasions deemed appropriate by the principal.
5. Principals may allow exceptions to the uniform rule (not the dress code) one Friday each month for a specific grade level, class, or the entire student body, as a reward for good behavior, good grades, or other positive promotions (example: Flip Flop Friday, school-sponsored T-shirt Friday, blue-jean Friday etc.). Students must wear the school-assigned badge to indicate permission has been granted from school officials to wear non-uniform clothing.

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED TO BE WORN BY STUDENTS

- Wind pants/Sweatpants (allowed as part of PE uniform)
- Hooded sweatshirts
- Velour pants and tops
- Over-sized or ripped clothing
- Excessively tight clothing
- Overalls
- Bellbottoms
- Sleeveless tops/overcoats
- Un-hemmed clothing
- Trench coats
- Bicycle shorts
- Leggings/stretch knit/jeggings
- Carpenter’s pants
- Denim or jean fabric
- Clothing with slashes
- Flip Flops/Flip Flop type sandal
- Other clothing deemed inappropriate by the principal
Note:

*Any student’s dress or personal appearance that the administration believes is disruptive or interferes with a safe and secure learning environment will be dealt with on an individual basis. School administrators will use their discretion to determine the appropriateness of students’ dress.

ENFORCEMENT

Revocation of Shorts/Skirts/Skorts Privilege for Excessive Violations

If the principal determines that too many students have abused the shorts/skirt/skorts requirement the principal may revoke the shorts privilege at that particular school so that the entire student body will no longer be allowed to wear shorts/skirts, etc. to school for a specified period of time. The principal shall have sufficient documentation regarding uniform non-compliance. In such cases, the principal may elect to prohibit the wearing of shorts at that particular school during subsequent semesters or school years or reinstate the privilege of wearing shorts to school as the principal, in consultation with the faculty, may deem appropriate. Additionally, the principal may revoke the shorts privilege of any student who violates, twice in one semester, the provisions of the shorts requirements.

Students new to Lanett City Schools will be given a two-week (14 calendar days) grace period from their enrollment date, to obtain and wear the proper school uniforms. Students that have previously attended LCS do not qualify for this grace period unless a period of at least 1 year has passed.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE VIOLATIONS

Appropriate disciplinary actions for uniform and appearance violations shall include the following:

- First Violation - Warning
- Second Violation - Detention
- Third Offense - Saturday School
- Fourth and additional offenses - Saturday School, ISS, or OSS

Any student found to be in violation of the uniform policy must change to meet uniform requirements in a timely manner. If necessary, the parent will be contacted to pick up the student or to bring a change of clothes. Any absence from class is unexcused. If the student does not change to meet uniform requirements within a period of time deemed appropriate by the principal, an additional violation will be issued. Excessive absences due to dress code infractions will result in truancy hearings and juvenile court referrals.
LJHS Coat Policy

Students may wear a coat to school, but it must be put in the student's bookbag prior to homeroom. Students may wear a solid white, black, navy, or ecru sweater/cardigan that buttons up in the front. The sweater/cardigan must not have a hood on it.

Dress Code for Casual Dress Days

On days designated by the principal as “Casual Dress Days” or in the event a student earns a “Casual Dress Day” pass, then the following applies:

- All shirts, dresses, pant suits, or jumpers must have sleeves.
- All dresses, shorts, or jumpers must be no shorter than a dollar-bill's width from the top of the knee.
- All jeans/pants must be hemmed and free of holes or strings.
- Torn, ripped, frayed, unraveled, or cut-off clothing is not allowed. No clothing with rips or holes of any kind. Pants with patches are not appropriate.
- All pants and jeans must be worn properly above the waist.
- Jeggings, leggings, or tights are not allowed.
- Sweatpants, windsuits, PE shorts, athletic shorts, or fitted athletic shirts are not allowed.
- No cold-shoulder type blouses.
- No see-through blouses or pants are allowed. This includes see-through material with other clothes underneath.
- No clothing should be excessively low in the front or back.
- No excessively tight clothing is allowed.
Lanett Jr. High Notice of Receipt of Handbook

Please detach this page, complete it, and return it to school immediately.

This is to certify that I have received and reviewed Lanett Jr. High School’s student handbook with my child. My child and I understand the information provided in the school’s handbook. I understand that if I have any questions, I can contact my child’s school.

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Print Name of Student

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Signature of Student

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Print Name of Parent

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Signature of Parent

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Date