

## Suwannee Opportunity School Rules

Updated 7/7/22 – DC

- \_\_\_ Students agree to follow the Suwannee School District Student Code of Conduct.
- \_\_\_ In order to receive **All** of their points, students must attend for the full day of instruction and earn the required points for each day. Absences will be excused with a doctor's note or judicial documentation only, **however**, points will not be earned for those days of absence.
- \_\_\_ Students are not allowed to drive or walk to the Opportunity School. Students must arrive after 7:30 am by **bus or custodial parent/guardian** transportation. Students **arriving after 8:10 am must be signed in** at the SOS main office by their **custodial parent/guardian**.
- \_\_\_ Students may be picked up by their **custodial parent/guardian** no sooner than 2:30 pm to be considered a Full day. Leaving before 2:30 pm will Not count as a Full day.
- \_\_\_ **Walking out of class without permission** will result in a referral from the teacher and an immediate **level drop**, one to four weeks. Students will stay in their assigned areas throughout the entire day.
- \_\_\_ Students will not touch other students in any way, including public display of affection, PDA, and/or horse playing. **Keep your hands to yourself.**
- \_\_\_ Students will work on assigned materials/activities or in assigned groups at all times. **NO SLEEPING IS ALLOWED.** Sleeping = Loss of Points and unsuccessful days.
- \_\_\_ Drawings/sketches of any kind pertaining to drugs, gangs, sex, or violence will not be permitted.
- \_\_\_ Students will use appropriate language and voice tone at all times when addressing or referring to all adults and peers. Use of any type of **profanity will result in an immediate loss of one week** on the level system **and/or** a level drop. (1 word = 1 week, 2 words = 2 weeks, etc.) Profanity is a socially offensive use of language, which may also be called cursing, cussing, or swearing.
- \_\_\_ Students will be searched each day and are **not allowed to bring any item** upon campus. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!** This includes any and all electronic equipment. Any item brought upon campus will be confiscated and **must be picked up by a custodial parent/guardian**, the item(s) will not be returned to the student. Items such as nail files, metal picks, lighters, compact/makeup mirrors, etc. are subject to possible criminal charges.
- \_\_\_ No jewelry of any kind is allowed. This includes any/all piercings. No spacers or plugs are allowed. Do not get a new piercing while in the program, you will be required to remove it regardless of cost.

- \_\_\_ Students who break dress code will be issued white painter coveralls to correct the problem. Refusal to wear the coveralls will require the **custodial parent/guardian** to bring clothing which meets the dress code and/or the student receiving a discipline referral.
- \_\_\_ Students will dress appropriately and in accordance with the **Suwannee School District Student Code of Conduct**. The following items have potential to cause disruption or threat to a safe and positive school environment and are **not allowed**: **a.** Decorations, symbols, mottos, or designs imprinted or attached to the body or clothing which is offensive to good taste or the maintenance of good decorum. Examples include, but are not limited to, wearing advertisements of commodities, such as alcoholic beverages, drugs, tobacco, and symbols or writings that have sexual or racial connotation, gang references, or profane language. **b.** Revealing clothing or clothing that exposes the torso. Examples include, but are not limited to, see-through garments; bare midriff clothing that allows any area of the midriff (front and/or back) to be exposed when sitting, standing, or raising the arm; backless attire; sleepwear or having the appearance of sleepwear; skin-tight clothing; shirts/blouses that do not extend to or over the cap of the shoulder from the base of the neck. **c.** Clothing that is not worn appropriately, is not properly fastened, or has holes. Clothes shall be worn as they are designed; for example, suspenders over the shoulders, pants secured at the waist, belt-buckled, no underwear as outerwear, no underwear exposed, no oversized or baggy pants. **d.** Skirts, dresses, shorts including bike shorts, and skorts that are shorter than four inches above the top of the knee cap is **not acceptable**. These items worn with jeggings, leggings or tights are not acceptable. **e.** Caps, hats, headgear, visors, bandanas, or sunglasses. No hoodies with hoods worn over the head are allowed at any time. **f.** Chains, other than necklaces considered to be jewelry. Examples include, but are not limited to, heavy chains generally used for utility purposes, animal choke collars, and so-called hip-hop chains. **g.** Jewelry that contains any type of sharp object and mood bracelets. **Note: The principal or designee has the final authority for determining whether or not a student's apparel conforms to the dress code.** The principal or designee may prohibit the use of clothing or items that cause disruption during school, on school transportation, or during school sponsored events.
- \_\_\_ **Shirts are to be tucked in and pants/shorts are to be worn at the waist with a belt.**
- \_\_\_ Footwear must be worn at all times. Students must wear closed toe shoes. Flip flops, sandals, slides or footwear having the appearance of sleepwear (bedroom shoes) are not allowed due to student injuries.
- \_\_\_ Students must stay on **assigned** internet sites. If a student is on an unassigned site:  
1<sup>st</sup> offense – Loss of computer use for **one day**  
2<sup>nd</sup> offense – Loss of computer use for **one week**  
3<sup>rd</sup> offense – Loss of computer use for **one month** with consideration for the remainder of your Program placement.
- \_\_\_ Students must meet their **academic, attendance, discipline, and social/emotional** goals in order to complete this program, as documented by point sheets.

\_\_\_ Students can **not** have ANY **unexcused absences** once they reach Level 2, 3, or 4; each UA will result in **the loss of 1 week**. As an example: moving from a 2.1 back to a 1, from 3.3 back to 3.2 or 4.1 back to 3.2 with two UA's.

\_\_\_ Students are **not permitted** on any Suwannee County School Board property other than the Opportunity School classrooms/property without prior written authorization from Administration. This includes sporting events, club activities, and social functions at any other school or on any School Board property. These privileges can be (Not Will Be) reinstated once a Level 4 Status is obtained **and** maintained! Students are not permitted to be on any school property outside of the regular school day. **Students violating this rule may be charged with criminal trespass per FS 810.097.**

\_\_\_ Classroom Rule interpretation is at each teacher's discretion and is not open for debate. The above rules are enforceable by any and all staff and are also not open for debate.

\_\_\_ Consequences will vary in severity but are not limited to: a verbal warning, loss of privileges, extended time in the program, referral for legal consequences, to a recommendation for an alternate placement as well as others.

I will do my best to abide by the rules set forth by the Opportunity School Program. I will accept personal responsibility for my actions and I am aware of the consequences for breaking the rules.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I will ensure that the above-named student follows the rules set forth by the Opportunity School Program. I will call the school at 647-4276 if my child is unable to attend and send a parent note upon their return understanding that a parent note does not excuse absences. I agree to have my child submit to a physical search of their person and property. I will provide the school with current addresses, contact information, and working phone numbers. **I understand and accept my responsibilities as the custodial parent/guardian.**

Custodial Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I will enforce and support the recommendations of the Suwannee Opportunity School.

School Official Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_