

## Cincinnati Christian Schools Dress Code

### LONG PANTS

- Docker Style/Cargo Pants (must be in good repair) are acceptable school dress.
- Acceptable colors are Navy Blue, Black, Brown or Khaki Tan
- Cotton/Cotton Blend/Corduroy is acceptable.
- Long pants must be the proper length . Oversized pants are unacceptable.
- Excessively frayed bottoms or intentional bunching is not acceptable.
- Elastic cuffs are not permissible for school dress.
- Pants must fit properly at the waist (no “low ridding” pants)
- Pants must be loose fitting as opposed to form fitting (no lycra or polyester style stretch pants). Modesty is the guiding principle.
- A front zipper is required for all pants (or button fly for cargo pants)
- **The zipper requirement is not applicable for Elementary students.**

### SHORTS AND SKORTS

- Same requirements as pants except length
- Must be no more than 2 inches above the knee. For boys shorts may not exceed 2 inches below the knee.

### CAPRI PANTS

- Same requirements as pants except length

### SKIRTS

- Same colors and materials as pants
- Modest fit only.
- No slits above knees
- Length – no higher than 2 inches above the knee
- No pants showing below skirt

### JUMPER (DRESS)

- Same colors and materials as pants
- Length – no higher than 2 inches above the knee
- Definition of Jumper – one piece, sleeveless with top straps being about 1-2 inches wide
- Must be worn with a collared or turtleneck shirt

### BELTS

- All pants/shorts/skorts/skirts must be worn with a belt if there are belt loops
- Must have buckle or be properly sized
- Belt not required in elementary (Preschool - 6)

### SHIRTS

- Shirts must be long enough to remain tucked in (any outer shirt)
- Polo style shirt...shirts must be buttoned to point of modesty (no loops or gaps around buttons). Should there be question regarding where the point of modesty may fall, the administration will direct the student. Once that point is determined it should be adhered to from that point forward.
- Oxford style shirts (shirts with collars which button down the front) are permitted.
- Any solid any color is acceptable.
- Short or long sleeved are acceptable.

- Tank tops or non-collared shirts may not be worn as an outer garment. They may be worn under the Polo or Oxford shirt. All layers must be tucked in.
- Writing on undershirt may not be visible through outer shirt.
- Can wear a solid t-shirt or turtleneck underneath. No writing on t-shirts. No camisoles that can be seen, scooped necks, etc.
- Cannot have colored stripe or colored piping on the outside of collar
- May have small (credit card size) designer or CCS logo
- Must fit properly and modestly – no cleavage showing for young ladies
- Buttons are to be appropriately buttoned

### **SWEATSHIRTS/COATS**

- **ONLY** official/approved CCS Hooded, Crewneck or ¼ zip Sweatshirts are acceptable in class (collared shirts must be worn underneath).
- CCS track jackets are acceptable school apparel. .
- No athletic uniform tops may be worn to class.
- CCS class shirts bearing CCS name or logo are acceptable only on **Friday**.
- ***Elementary students may wear plain sweatshirts of any style in the following colors: gray, white, red or blue.***

### **SWEATERS**

- Only solid, long sleeved cardigan style is permitted. Cardigans may have buttons, zippers, hoods, or no hoods.
- Must wear dress code shirt or turtleneck beneath
- ***ELEMENTARY ONLY:*** plain gray, white, red or blue sweatshirts and any style sweaters

### **SHOES**

- Athletic shoes allowed
- No higher than 2 inch heels
- Tied/laces/Velcro/buckles/slip-on/loafers are acceptable.
- No Flip-Flops or Athletic Sandals
- Crocs are not permitted for school wear
- Feet must be in the shoe
- No rolled shoes
- No sandals are allowed (shoes must have enclosed toe and heel).

### **FRIDAY DRESS CODE/SPIRIT DAYS**

- Jeans may be worn on Friday if accompanied by **official spirit wear**. This may include any attire purchased through the booster club, Trade Town shirts (elementary only) or professionally made class shirts which clearly bear our school's name. Class shirts created by individuals are **not** permitted.
- Sports team uniform tops are not permitted as spirit wear. Students may not wear jeans on Fridays unless they wear approved CCS spirit wear.
- Jeans must be have a neat appearance (no holes, frayed on the bottom or writing.)

**Note: The Administration reserves the right to disallow any spiritwear should it be determined to be inappropriate for school wear.**

### **Elementary Only**

- K-3 are permitted to wear jeans or navy/gray sweat pants on the day of physical education
- Students in grades 4-6 will change into modest and appropriate shorts prior to their physical education class.

### **GROOMING**

#### **GIRLS:**

- Make-up: Grades Preschool-6 - No makeup or body glitter, Grades 7-12 – moderate
- Hair: Conventional style, normal solid colors, no pronounced two-tones (highlights okay)
- Jewelry: Moderate jewelry including earrings are permitted but other body piercing decorations or tattoos which are visible in school dress are not permitted during school or at any school activity. Chokers or dog collars, and studded bands are not permitted.
- No writing on body parts (arms, legs, face, hands, etc) with markers, ink pens, paint or any other item.

#### **BOYS:**

- No makeup (including body glitter, nail polish, etc.)
- Hair: Conventional style, normal solid colors, no pronounced two-tones (highlights OK). Hair must be neatly trimmed so as not to fall across the student's eyes, fall below the bottom of the ear or the bottom of the collar.
- Clean shaven every day.
- Jewelry: Earrings or other body piercing decorations or tattoos which are visible in school dress are not permitted during school or at any school activity. Chokers, dog collars, studded arm bands and chains are not permitted.
- No writing on body parts (arms, legs, face, hands, etc) with markers, ink pens, paint or any other item.

**SCHOOL EVENTS OR FIELD TRIPS:** On all school outings, we must remember that we represent the school and Christ to the world; therefore, participants are expected to be in dress code. This applies to any CCS organization, athletic team, clubs, etc. that represents CCS. The teacher/coach decides appropriate wear for the outing as follows:

- Must wear approved Monday – Thursday attire if outing is to a place such as a play or museum.
- Can wear approved spirit-wear apparel if outing is to a park, service work, picnics or other outdoor activity.
- Athletic teams are expected to be in dress code to and from sporting events unless in uniform.
- On special event days the classes or groups may wear their t-shirts made especially for that day.

**VOLUNTARY EVENTS:** Modest apparel is the standard for games, school sponsored parties, etc. Modest apparel does NOT include tube tops, short shorts (less than 2" inseam) camisoles, halter tops etc. This list is not exhaustive but simply examples of what is considered immodest apparel by CCS. It is never appropriate to reveal undergarment straps or cleavage at any CCS activity whether it be a field trip or athletic event.

#### **DRESS CODE for Prom and Homecoming:**

Remember that this is a formal event.

**Ladies** must be sure that their dresses:

- Are not backless below the middle of the back
- Do not have slits above the knee
- Show no cleavage

- Are not tight and form fitted.
- Undergarments must be worn.

**Gentlemen** must wear

- Either a suit and tie or a tux to Prom.
- Either a suit and tie or a dress shirt, pants and tie to Homecoming.

If your date is not a student at CCS, you are expected to communicate these rules with them and you are responsible for what they wear.

Please understand that we want this to be a wonderful evening for everyone; however, if you chose to come to the Prom outside the dress code outlined above, you will be sent home.

Any other dress code problems during the evening will be considered a school disciplinary problem and will be addressed as such.

**DRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**

If possible students will be required to immediately correct the dress code violation and will be either assigned a detention or demerits or both. Students who are in violation of the dress code and cannot address the violation without a change of clothing will not be permitted to attend class until appropriate clothing acquired. Students will be permitted to call parents to bring a change of clothing or gain permission to leave school to go home and change their clothing.

***ELEMENTARY:***

***FIRST OFFENSE:*** A grace note will be sent to the parent from the classroom teacher indicating that a dress code violation has occurred. The teacher will record the offense. No referral to the Principal made at this time.

***SECOND OFFENSE:*** In the event of a second occurrence of the same dress code violation, the student is referred to the Principal who will call the parent and request the parent to bring a change of clothing to the child. A 7:45 AM detention for the following school day will be set. The classroom teacher and the Principal will record the offense.

***THIRD OFFENSE:*** In the event of a third occurrence of the same infraction, the student will be referred to the Principal who will call the parent and request that the student be picked up from school. A 1-day suspension will be assigned (zeroes for all missed school work will be assessed).

***FOURTH OFFENSE:*** In the event of a fourth occurrence of the same infraction, the student will be recommended for expulsion from the school.

It is important to note that offenses are tallied based upon violation of the same repeat dress code violation. If a student dresses inappropriately twice but in different categories, this does not constitute a second offense. This would be two first offense violations.