



## DRESS CODE

### Dress Code Philosophy

The purpose of the dress code is to teach lasting principles of appropriate dress and behavior, not simply to regulate appearance. Recognizing the diversity in individual students and variety in classroom settings, this dress code provides guidelines for dressing modestly and appropriately under all circumstances.

Appearance can impact our witness in the world as Christ-followers, express attitude and personality, and influence behavior. The dress code places particular emphasis on:

- A positive attitude
- Seriousness
- Neatness
- Appropriateness
- Modesty
- Safety

### General Guidelines

- All clothing must be in good repair (including but not limited to: no frays, fading, rips, or tears)
- Appropriate undergarments must be worn and out of sight at all times (i.e. Clothes should not be worn tight enough to see undergarment lines.)
- Clothing must not:
  - Be see-through/sheer
  - Be inappropriately tight
  - Contain words or images other than credit card sized labels or logos
  - Promote non-Christian values or lifestyles, including, but not limited to:
    - Profanity or obscenity
    - The use of drugs, alcohol, or other illegal products
  - Cause or be likely to cause a substantial or material disruption to the orderly operation of the school
- CCS retains the right, in its sole discretion, to prohibit personal appearance choices that it deems immodest, inappropriate, or distracting to the educational process.

### Elementary Campus

The CCS dress code must be adhered to or disciplinary steps will be taken.

- **Long Pants**
  - Docker style/cargo pants in good repair
  - Navy blue, black, brown, or khaki tan
  - Cotton/cotton blend/corduroy; no denim
  - Proper length



- Cannot be knit or any other stretch material
- No form-fitting pants (no skinny pants)
- No frayed bottoms or intentional bunching
- Must fit properly at the waist (no "low riding" pants)
- Must be loose-fitting as opposed to form-fitting (no material such as spandex, lycra, or polyester style stretch pants). Modesty is the guiding principle.
- **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 requirement as pants, except length
- **Skirts**
  - Same colors and materials as pants
  - Modest fit
  - No slits above knees
  - Length—no higher than 2 inches above the knee
  - Elementary students may wear tights or leggings under skirts
- **Jumpers**
  - 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
  - Elementary students may wear tights or leggings under jumpers
- **Shirts**
  - Any solid colored polo, no writing, long or short sleeved
  - A credit card sized logo is acceptable
  - A long-sleeved solid t-shirt may be worn under a polo
  - Oxford style shirts must have a collar
- **Sweaters & Sweatshirts**
  - Any solid color sweatshirt or sweater—any style
  - Students must wear a collared shirt or turtleneck underneath sweatshirt or sweater
- **Shoes**
  - Athletic shoes allowed
  - No flip-flops, Crocs, or athletic sandals
  - No wheeled shoes
  - No sandals (shoes must have enclosed toe and heel)
- **Spirit Wear Policy**
  - Official CCS approved spirit wear and/or chapel shirts
- **Friday Dress Code/Spirit Days**
  - Jeans may be worn on Friday



- Jeans must have a neat appearance (no holes, not frayed on the bottom, no writing) and follow modesty guidelines (see long pants section)
- No form-fitting jeans (such as jeggings or skinny jeans)
- **Elementary Campus Only**
  - Kindergarten through 3rd grade is permitted to wear jeans or navy/gray sweat pants on the day of physical education
  - Students in 4th through 6th grades will change into CCS provided PE clothes
  - Shorts cannot be form-fitting and must be to mid-thigh

### Grooming

- **Girls**
  - No make-up or body glitter
  - No mohawk hair styles
  - Jewelry must be moderate. Earrings are permitted for girls only. For safety reasons the administration reserves the right to determine the appropriate length of earrings.
  - No writing on body parts (arms, legs, face, hands, etc.) with markers, ink pens, paint, or any other items is permitted.
  - No hats
- **Boys**
  - No make-up (including body glitter, nail polish, etc.)
  - Hair—Conventional style, normal solid colors, no pronounced 2-tones (highlights permitted). Hair must be neatly trimmed so as not to fall across the student's eyes, fall below the bottom of the ear, or bottom of the collar. Mohawk styles are not permitted.
  - No earrings
  - No writing on body parts (arms, legs, face, hands, etc.) with markers, ink pens, paint, or any other item is permitted.
  - No hats

### 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, club, etc., that represents CCS. Appropriate attire for outings is as follows:

- Must wear dress code attire unless directed otherwise by the teacher
- Can wear approved spirit wear apparel if outing is to a park, service work, picnic, 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



## JH/SH Campus

All dress must follow the general guidelines stated in the dress code philosophy. In addition, the following conditions apply.

- **Pants & Shorts**
  - Must be:
    - In compliance with the dress code philosophy and general guidelines
    - Slacks, cargo, or Docker-style
    - Worn at the waist
  - Must not be:
    - Light enough to see undergarments
    - Denim
    - Jersey knit or any other stretchy material
  - Shorts must not be:
    - More than 2 inches above knee
- **Shirts**
  - Must be:
    - In compliance with the dress code philosophy and general guidelines
    - Collared (includes turtlenecks and mock turtlenecks)
    - Fastened to the point of modesty
  - Must not be:
    - Sleeveless
- **Shoes**
  - Must be:
    - In compliance with the dress code philosophy and general guidelines
    - Worn at all times
    - Have a back
  - Must not:
    - Have heels or wedges higher than two inches
    - Have wheels
    - Be athletic sandals or flip-flops
- **Outerwear**
  - Must be:
    - In compliance with the dress code philosophy and general guidelines
    - Worn over a dress code shirt
  - Must not:
    - Be a coat
- **Skirts/Dresses (ladies only)**
  - Must be in compliance with the dress code philosophy and general guidelines
  - Skirts and dresses must be two inches above the top of the knee or longer at the shortest point (even if worn with leggings or tights underneath)
  - Dresses must have a collar



- Dresses must not be sleeveless
- No knit or stretchy material
- **Grooming and Accessories**
  - Appearance must reflect a conservative, traditional style
  - Hair must be clean, neatly groomed, and not pose a distraction to learning
  - Only naturally occurring hair colors are permitted
  - No visible tattoos
  - No gauges
  - No hats/head coverings/hoods
- **Ladies**
  - Only ear piercings are permitted
  - Makeup must be conservative in color and application
- **Gentlemen**
  - No piercings
  - No makeup
  - Must be clean-shaven or facial hair must be neatly trimmed and appropriately shaped
- **Friday Dress Code/Spirit Days**

Jeans may be worn on Friday if accompanied by official spirit wear.

  - Jeans must have a neat appearance (no holes, frays, or writing) and follow modesty guidelines (see long pants section).
  - Sports team uniform tops are not permitted as spirit wear without special permission from the principal.
  - Students may not wear jeans on Fridays unless they also wear approved CCS spirit wear.

Note: The administration reserves the right to disallow any spirit wear should it be determined to be inappropriate for school wear.
- **Field Trips**
  - Monday--Thursday dress code is the default expectation unless otherwise determined and communicated by the teacher in collaboration with the principal.