

Secondary Dress Code

Students are expected to maintain a style of dress, appearance and hairstyle that:

- Is safe
- Is neat and clean
- Is modest
- Does not attract undue attention from others
- Is not disruptive or embarrassing to the student or others
- Is a positive, Christian role model that is both appropriate and respectful

These standards apply while on campus, at school sponsored events, activities, field trips, or when representing CCS in the community. Exceptions may be granted by the Administration in the case of special, school sponsored "dress up" days which will be advertised in advance.

The Administration reserves the right to make final decisions regarding all dress code standards in individual circumstances and to modify these guidelines as situations arise that are of concern.

If a family has a question regarding whether or not an item of clothing or hair style is appropriate, the family should contact the school office and inquire in advance.

Regular School Day Guidelines

Pants

- Neat and clean slacks or jeans
- Must fit properly and be worn at the waist
- No stains, holes, patches, tears, ravel, frayed ends
- Must not be tight fitting
- No leggings or stretch pants unless worn under a skirt or dress
- No sport pants, sweat pants, jogging suits or rolled up pants
- "Capri" pants must go beyond the knee

Dresses & Skirts

- Safe, clean & modest dresses & skirts are permitted
- No shorter than 4 inches above the bended knee (i.e. 4 inches from the floor when kneeling)
- Leggings or stretch pants may be worn under dresses or skirts (no regular pants or jeans)

Shirts & Blouses

- Shirt tails must be tucked in unless designed to be worn outside of pants
- No tank tops with straps narrower than 2 inches, tube tops, strapless, bare midriff, backless or off shoulder tops

- Must cover the belt line
- No questionable or offensive designs, wording or advertisements allowed (i.e. skulls, questionable symbols, art work, inappropriate or negative slogans, etc.)
- CCS reserves the right to make final judgment on what constitutes "questionable or offensive" clothing.
- CCS t-shirts & sweatshirts are encouraged

Undergarments

- Proper undergarments must be worn and may not be visible at any time.

Shorts

- Allowed on "Shorts Day" (Wednesdays)
- Must be neat, clean and modest
- Must be no shorter than 4 inches above the bended knee (i.e. 4 inches from the floor when kneeling)
- Must be hemmed (not cut off, frayed or have holes of any kind)

Hats

- May only be worn during PE or on day trips when students may have long exposure to the sun for the purposes of sun protection only
- Must be appropriate
- Must be worn facing front (not sideways or backwards)
- May never be worn indoors
- No questionable emblems, logos, pictures or advertisements
- May be permitted on special dress up days if appropriate for the theme and activities planned

Feet Covering

- Must be worn at all times
- Must be safe and appropriate
- Flip flops, sandals, and high heels are permitted as long as they are safe and appropriate for school activities.
- Students must wear appropriate athletic shoes when participating in PE or athletics.

Backpacks/Lunch Boxes/Book Bags

- Must be clean and in good repair
- May not be drawn on, written on or used to display logos, slogans, band names, advertisements, etc.

Hair for Boys

- Must be clean and neatly styled
- No longer than eyebrows in the front (eyebrows must be clearly visible)
- No longer than the top of the collar in the back
- No longer than the bottom of the ear on the sides

- Sideburns may not go beyond the bottom of the ear
- No dyed or bleached hair

Hair for Girls

- Clean and neatly styled
- Naturally colored hair is acceptable.

Jewelry, Make Up & Accessories

- Jewelry must be safe, appropriate and not excessive or distracting
- Girls may not have multiple pierced ears
- No earrings of any kind for boys
- No body piercing jewelry (other than appropriate earrings for girls)
- Girls may wear natural looking make up but it may not be excessive or distracting.
- Make up is not permitted for boys
- No spiked or studded attire/accessories
- No chains (including wallet chains)
- No body markings or tattoos (including temporary tattoos)
- No buttons or stickers containing slogans, pictures, emblems or advertisements that are questionable, distracting or that identify with groups or movements that are contrary to the Word of God
- No bandanas
- Girls may wear natural looking nail polish.

Miscellaneous Restrictions

- No clothing with band names or band artwork
- No baggy or oversized clothing
- No spandex-type or tight fitting clothing
- No plain white t-shirts
- No gang related clothing
- No camouflaged or military clothing
- No gothic clothing or accessories
- No pajamas
- No low necked, sheer or immodest clothing
- No shirt straps on girls tops or dresses that are narrower than 2 inches
- No distracting, fad dress or extreme hairstyles
- **CCS Administration reserves the right to add to this list as it deems necessary throughout the school year.**

Chapel Day Guidelines

Chapel Attire for Boys

- Properly fitting dress pants and solid-colored, button-down shirts with a collar and neck tie are required. Shirts must be tucked in and ties must be worn throughout the school day.
- Dress shoes are encouraged but are not required.

- No jeans, sport pants, polo shirts, sweat shirts, t-shirts or flip flops are permitted on Chapel Day.
- Chapel attire is required on Chapel Days (Tuesdays), special days and some field trips.
- Chapel attire is required for all athletes on game/sports event days.

Chapel Attire for Girls

- Girls must wear a dress or a skirt that meets the above listed guidelines (no shorter than 4 inches above the bended knee – i.e. 4 inches from the floor when kneeling)
- Dress shoes are encouraged but are not required (high heels are permitted so long as they are safe and appropriate)
- Leggings are acceptable when worn under dresses or skirts (jeans or pants may not be worn as leggings)
- Tops worn with skirts should be considered “Sunday best”
- Chapel attire is required on Chapel Days (Tuesdays), special days and some field trips.
- Chapel attire is required for all athletes on game/sports event days.

Enforcement

- Students whose appearance does not meet the standards listed above will be warned and directed to correct the problem within a specified amount of time or will be asked to call home for assistance from a parent. Detention will be assigned for subsequent offenses or if the problem is not corrected within the allotted time frame assigned by staff. Repeated offenses will be dealt with as a serious disciplinary matter and may result in suspension or expulsion from school. Students are expected to respond to staff members with a respectful attitude and a prompt, courteous change of behavior, dress or hair when directed to make such a change.
- Parents will be contacted to bring appropriate clothing if the violation is clothing related.
- For hair violations, boys will be given one week to correct the problem once notified by staff to do so. Parents are strongly encouraged to monitor the length of their male student’s hair to ensure that it meets the above guidelines.

In all cases, CCS’s Administration reserves the right to determine appropriate dress and hair style for its students.

