

High School Dress Code 2019-2020

As a school, we acknowledge the importance of a dress code in order to maintain an orderly environment in which students come ready to learn. Every school and workplace has a dress code to which individuals must abide. We believe that an additional benefit of a dress code is that it prepares our students to abide by the rules and authority in their future jobs.

As Christians, we also acknowledge the fact that we are devoted to the mission of the gospel and our hope is to shepherd our students to live every day as God designed them to live. It is our deep desire that our students' hearts are ruled by worship of God while gladly living inside of the boundaries that the school sets forth to help our students live as salt and light to the surrounding world.

The following dress code is a guide in helping our students cultivate humility and modesty in their appearance while at school. The school commits to enforcing the dress code as fairly as possible. Daily parent partnership is essential in ensuring their child's school wardrobe aligns with the specifications of the dress code and the values we desire the Lord to instill in our students. Students at CCS are expected to ensure their dress reflects a biblical worldview at all times while on campus and at off-campus events. The administrative office team reserves the right to interpret and/or make changes as fashions change and issues arise.

High School Dress Code for Young Women

GENERAL APPEARANCE

At no time shall a student's dress be considered suggestive or provocative. All clothing must be clean and in good repair. Brand names that do not promote a positive biblical worldview may not be worn (i.e. Abercrombie & Fitch, Victoria Secret, PINK, etc.). Clothing with professional sports teams may not be worn, unless specified as a special sports day by the school. Blankets are not permitted at any time. Undergarments, including bralets and sports bras, must be completely covered at all times.

On game days, athletes will dress according to coaches' instructions provided that they conform to the dress code requirements and may wear either track suits or team T-shirts (for the current year's team only) provided that every member of the team is wearing the same outfit. Team captains will assist administration in the enforcement of this policy.

GENERAL APPEARANCE DON'TS

- Body piercings other than ear jewelry
- Caps, hats, or other head coverings (may be worn outside only)
- Extreme hairstyles and color
- Tattoos (must be completely covered during the school day and on all school activities, field trips, etc.)

Tops Do's:

- Knit or cotton tops, blouses, collared shirts and dress sweaters
- An appropriate undershirt must be worn under shirts that are too low in the front, too open in the back and that are of a thin or gauze (i.e. transparent) material
- CCS, plain, and college sweatshirts and hoodies may be worn at any time during the school day

Tops Don'ts:

- Halter tops, tank tops/camisole tops, or T-shirts on days other than Friday
- Clothing with writing or pictures other than CCS, plain, and college sweatshirts
- Revealing blouses or tops that expose midriffs, or excessive skin on the chest or back
- Exposed bralets

Bottoms Do's:

- Skirts, dresses, or skorts may be worn of an appropriate length that is no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. This includes the shortest level of a bi-level dress/skirt and the highest part of a slit
- Jeans and other pants must be free from holes, and appropriately modest
- Leggings (defined as tight or close-fitting knit pants) are not allowed, with the exception of wearing them underneath a skirt or dress of appropriate length (as defined above)
- Pants of any style should not be low-rise or excessively tight-fitting
- Shorts may be worn if they are no shorter than 3 inches above the knee

Bottoms Don'ts:

- Skirts, dresses, or shorts that are more than 3 inches above the knee
- Torn, faded, or patched skirts or pants, sweatpants, cut-offs, or fatigues of any kind

Shoes Do's

- Shoes must be worn at all times. For safety reasons, heels and wedges should be a reasonable height. Sandals have a back.

Shoes Don'ts:

- Flip-flops, Rainbows, athletic slides, and Crocs

Friday Dress Code

- Any Carmel Christian School T-shirt, CCS-related T-shirt, college t-shirt or plain t-shirt with a small inconspicuous logo may be worn on Friday
- CCS, plain, or College sweatshirts and hoodies may be worn on Friday, as with any day of the week

High School Dress Code for Young Men

GENERAL APPEARANCE

At no time shall a student's dress be considered suggestive or provocative. All clothing must be clean and in good repair. Brand names that do not promote a positive biblical worldview may not be worn, (i.e. Abercrombie & Fitch, etc.). Clothing with professional sports teams may not be worn, unless specified as a special sports day by the school. Blankets are not permitted at any time. Boys' hair should be neatly trimmed and tastefully groomed. Extreme color and styles are unacceptable. Facial hair must have clean lines and be well groomed.

On game days, athletes will dress according to coaches' instructions provided that they conform to the dress code requirements and may wear either track suits or team T-shirts (for the current year's team only) provided that every member of the team is wearing the same outfit. Team captains will assist administration in the enforcement of this policy.

GENERAL APPEARANCE DON'TS

- Piercings of any kind, including earrings
- Caps, hats, or other head coverings (may be worn outside only)
- Extreme hairstyles and color
- Tattoos (must be covered during the school day and during all school activities, field trips, etc.)

Tops Do's:

- Boys must wear collared shirts, either polo style or button down
- Dress sweaters, CCS hoodies, plain, and college hoodies may be worn
- A collared shirt is not required under a sweatshirt or hoodie, as long as the student does not take the hoodie off during the school day

Tops Don'ts:

- T-shirts on any day other than Friday
- Shirts displaying professional sports team logos
- Fatigues
- Tops with writing (other than CCS and college sweatshirts/ hoodies, or a small inconspicuous logo)

Bottoms Do's:

- Full length pants or trousers
- Jeans and other pants must free from holes, and appropriately modest
- Shorts that are shorter than 3 inches above the knee.

Bottoms Don'ts:

- Torn, faded, or patched pants
- Oversized pants; sweatpants, track pants, cut-offs, joggers, rolled-up shorts or oversized shorts that fall below the knee
- Fatigues
- Overalls of any kind.

Shoes Do's

- Closed-toed shoes must be worn at all times. Shoes must be in good repair

Shoes Don'ts:

- Concerts Sandals, flip-flops, and croc-style shoes, and Rainbows

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Unique Dress Code Situations

All students enrolled in physical education participate daily. Students are required to follow the expectations of the PE teacher for proper dress. Showers are permitted. Students must furnish their own towel.

The Dress and Grooming Code applies before and after regular school hours, outside as well as inside the buildings. Students who attend school or school functions are expected to dress appropriately for those events. These events would include, but not be limited to:

- Concerts
- Fine Arts programs
- Windy Gap retreat
- Field trips

Appropriate attire for school and field trips and retreats will be determined by the nature of the trip. Special instructions will be given to the students prior to the trip.

Dress Code Enforcement

If, in the judgment of any staff member, a student is inappropriately dressed or is out of dress code at any time during the day, he or she will be assigned a consequence and required to correct their attire. If the student does not have an appropriate garment available, he or she will be directed to contact their parent in order to have clothing brought to school. If this cannot be done in a reasonable amount of time, the student will put on school-provided clothing (if available) so that he or she may return to class.

1st Offense: Warning and correction of clothing

2nd Offense: Detention and correction of clothing

3rd Offense: Detention and correction of clothing

4th Offense and any subsequent offenses: Saturday School with the required \$30 tuition and correction of clothing