# DRESS CODE GENERAL GUIDELINES 22-23

Students wear the standardized school dress to school as well as to any daytime school functions (field trips, etc.), unless advance administration approval is given. Standardized dress means there is no actual required purchased uniform, but there are standardized styles and colors that may be purchased from a variety of stores.

### Hair

Hairstyles are often a way of expressing a personality, and as long as it is neat, well groomed and non offensive, there is room for self expression. Hair must be off the face and neatly groomed. Braids must be off the face during school. Hair should not be a source of distraction in color or style. Administration reserves the right to ask any student to modify their hair if deemed necessary.

- Hair should be clean and well groomed.
- Facial hair must be groomed and neat.
- No extremes in color or style
- Neat 4C braids and twists with color are fine as long as they are out of the face.

## Clothing

#### PreK - Grade 5

Uniform style pants, skirts, polo dresses, shorts, and capris in black, navy, gray, and khaki are allowed. Skirts and shorts may be no more than 3 inches above the knee. Shoes, sandals and crocs with a back strap are permitted. Leggings/tights permitted only under skirts and dresses.

#### MS/HS

#### Boys

- Uniform style pants and shorts in black, navy, gray, and khaki are allowed.
- Shirts are limited to solid or striped collared shirts and polos. Shirts may be long or short sleeved.
- Solid color sweater, sweatshirt, or hoodie. A collared shirt <u>must be worn</u> under any sweater, sweatshirt, or hoodie. A branding logo that is less than three 3 inches in diameter for all shirts, sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, and hoodies. The three inch logo rule does not apply to CCS shirts, sweaters, sweatshirts, and hoodies, and jackets.
- Shoes should be closed toe and worn with socks. Closed toe crocs may be worn. Soccer slides and flip flops are not permitted.
- Hoodies may be worn ONLY with the hood down at all times, except in transit during inclement weather.
- Earrings and piercings must remain empty on school property with no visible tattoos.
- Hats, sweatbands, bandanas, caps, and sunglasses may not be worn in the buildings.

#### Girls

- Uniform style pants, skirts, jumpers, shorts, and capris in black, navy, gray, and khaki are allowed. Skirts and shorts may be no more than 3 inches above the knee. Uniform style means what you would find in the uniform section of a catalog. It should be of a looser fitting style, and does not include leggings, jeggings, tights, or any close or skinny fitting clothing. Polo dresses, if of appropriate fit and length. Slits in skirts and dresses must not go more than three inches above the knee.
- Shirts are limited to solid or striped collared shirts and polos. Shirts may be long or short sleeved.
- Leggings may be worn only under a skirt or dress of appropriate length (less than 3 in above the knee)
- Solid color sweater, sweatshirt, or hoodie. A collared shirt <u>must be worn</u> under any sweater, sweatshirt, or hoodie. A branding logo that is less than three 3 inches in diameter for all shirts,

sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, and hoodies. The three inch logo rule does not apply to CCS shirts, sweaters, sweatshirts, and hoodies, and jackets. Hoods may not be worn up on campus, except or travel in inclement weather.

- No visible tattoos or piercings other than the ears.
- Sweatbands, caps, and sunglasses may not be worn in the buildings.
- No sheer fabrics or visible undergarments including straps.

#### If you question it, DON'T WEAR IT!

#### C. <u>Casual Friday</u>

**Essentially, school dress is not required for Casual Friday**. However all clothing must adhere to the general guidelines for length and fit. Shoes must adhere to regular school policy.

- Pre K Grade 5 casual clothing, cargo pants and shorts, jeans, dresses, shorts, tees and tops that cover the midriff. No flip flops or slides/socks. Jeans may be ripped, but rips should be confined to areas from the knee down.
- <u>MS/HS</u> make sure the fit and length adhere to regular dress code- no leggings, yoga, or jeggings. Shoes must adhere to regular school policy, no flip flops or slides/socks. Jeans, joggers, casual pants, cargo pants and shorts, dresses, skirts, shorts, capris, tees, tops, and sweaters that cover the midriff are all acceptable. No running shorts. Jeans may be "ripped" but rips should be confined to areas from the knee down. No sheer clothing.

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#### D. <u>Physical Education and Athletic Practices</u>

Athletes should maintain the ideal of being neat, clean, and modest, whether practice is during or after school hours, inside or outside. These guidelines should be followed year round by students every time they use the school facilities.

- For Physical Education: athletic shorts 4" above the knee or longer.
- All athletic practice shorts should be equal in length to regular uniform shorts for the sport in which the student participates.
- Sneakers or cleats (for outside activities).
- Any CCS T-shirt.
- Shirts are to be worn at all times.
- Tank tops are permitted, but girl's undergarments should not be visible.
- Altered t-shirts are not allowed, including modifications to the sides, sleeves, or neckline.
- Sweat/Warm-up suits are optional.
- Yoga (spandex/tight fitting) pants may only be worn with proper length shorts over them.

#### E. <u>SPECIAL ACTIVITIES</u>

Students in upper grades are expected to follow school dress standards when attending special school activities or functions unless instructed otherwise. If standardized dress is not required, clothes worn must be as modest as standardized dress; and it must also be neat.

1. **Student Leaders** or students representing the school as student leaders, athletes, choir members, or ministry teams are expected to follow both the letter and spirit of school dress standards. Students who do not conscientiously follow a high level in the above areas will not be allowed to represent CCS.

- 2. **Swimming Suits** If there is an activity that involves swimming, boys are required to wear "boxer style" suits. Girls are required to wear modest, one-piece suits or a two-piece that covers the midriff (tankini style). They must not have revealing or low necklines. High revealing leg holes would be unsatisfactory. (If a girl does not have a suit meeting these criteria, she must wear a top that covers at all times.)
- 3. **Formal Dresses** worn on formal occasions must still conform to the same modesty requirements as normal school dress. Such formal dresses must cover the shoulders with a minimum of a half inch strap and may not in any other way have a "revealing" tenor. The administration will give specific directions regarding appropriate formal wear.

## F. Flynn & O'Hara Uniforms:

Parents who wish to purchase uniforms for their child (ren) may purchase them through Flynn & O'Hara. The following guidelines apply to the purchased uniforms:

- Only wear items listed in CCS School Specific ordering.
- Go to <u>www.flynnohara.com</u>.
- Click on School Specific ordering and choose Cumberland Christian School (PK-12 Boys, PK-5 Girls, and 6-12 Girls).

Sample of what is ok for pants of all types, chino, stretch, ponte, slim leg.

