

## DRESS CODE POLICY

The purpose of our dress code policy is to provide a modest appearance that reflects Christ. The Bible does not specifically tell us how we should dress or how our hair should be cut; it does give us some principles to follow. In light of these principles, we must set guidelines for our school. Our goal is to encourage the wearing of modest clothes (Rom. 12:1-2).

This goal is built around the following principles:

- Clothing not too tight or too baggy
- No undergarments showing at any time
- No back or midriff showing in any position
- Clothes must have no rips or tears

**All students are required to be clean, neat, modest, and reflect Christ in their dress.**

Students are permitted casual dress within the limitations provided below:

**Pants** – Dress slacks, cords, or jeans must be clean, neat and not tight-fitting (NO holes or stains).

Pants must be modest-fitting and appropriate in length (no dragging) and not too tight. No sweatpants, pajama pants, ECT are permitted.

**Shirts** – Sloppy sweatshirts, white T-shirts (designed to be worn as an undergarment), and tank tops may not be worn. T-shirts designed to be worn as an outer garment are allowed. Shirts may not be imprinted with questionable or offensive messages or pictures. Shirts with buttons must be buttoned except for the top shirt button and the sleeve buttons, unless the shirt is worn as an over shirt. Shirts should be neat-fitting (i.e. not sloppy or excessive in length).

**Other**- Shirts, skirts/dresses - Halter, tube and crop tops and spaghetti-strap dresses/tops are not to be worn. Tight-fitting, clinging shirts and blouses may not be worn. Appropriate shirts will prevent the exposure of the midriff and the small of the back in any position. Any sheer top or one you can see through needs to have a modest shirt underneath it (i.e. no spaghetti straps.) Shirts should have finished edges at neckline, sleeve holes and bottom edge. The outer shirt needs to cover the top edge of the student's pants. Skirts and dresses must be to the knee (3 inches above the knee accompanied with leggings) and not tight-fitting. Dress or skirt slits may not exceed 3" above the knee. Hats/Visors – Caps and visors are to be worn outside only. Girls coordinating hats may be worn. No coats or hoodies may be worn past check-in. Hairstyles must be clean cut with only natural colors. No extreme style (i.e. Mohawks) and no unnatural color extremes are allowed (a style that has the only purpose of drawing attention to one's self). Hair should be kept out of eyes. Boy's hair should not be covering the earlobes and should be above the collar. No facial hair, except sideburns (cannot go below the earlobe), are allowed. Shoes must reflect the style of dress. No moccasins, winter boots, sweater slippers or slippers may be worn. No heels higher than two inches. Students may not be barefooted or sock footed in school, shoes must be worn. Be sure to have safe and protective shoes for recess. No excessive or extreme jewelry/accessories are allowed. Body piercing is not allowed. Tattoos are not allowed. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings to school or school functions. Girls may have pierced ears but may wear only one earring per ear. Neck and wrist chains are allowed to be worn to school and school functions as long as they are not extreme or offensive in nature. No other chains are allowed.

**Students in noncompliance will not be permitted to stay, and will be sent home.**