

CHA Dress Code

The dress code establishes the guidelines for parents and students on appropriate school attire that will foster a productive learning environment. The purpose of our dress code is threefold:

- **To Promote Biblical Modesty** - Modesty is an attitude of the heart that is inclined towards God and committed to presenting oneself in a manner that does not expressly draw prideful and self-pleasing attention. We believe our dress code helps to train the hearts of our students while still allowing them the opportunity to express their individual character and preference. [1 Tim. 2:9]
- **To Teach Honor Towards Authority** - Honor is also an attitude of the heart that is inclined towards God and committed to displaying one's value and significance of Him by respecting those whom He has placed in positions of authority. We believe our dress code contributes to training the character of our students, through yielding to authority, while still allowing them a freedom from unnecessary restraints. [Rom. 13:1]
- **To Nurture Neatness & Care** - Neatness and care are outward expressions of a personal commitment to display one's best before the Lord at all times. We believe our dress code helps our students develop the ability to be purposeful in their decisions and actions and aware of the impact of their choices. [Col. 3:23]

The dress code is a vital component of our learning environment, campus community, and institutional character. We seek to glorify God in all that we do. Therefore, the threefold purpose of the dress code applies to the school day, extra-curricular events, athletic contests, and all events on or off campus in which Christian Heritage Academy is actively participating or being represented unless otherwise stipulated. Parents are urged to screen their children's attire to help them comprehend and comply with the threefold purpose of the school dress code.

CHA will occasionally offer Dress Down Days where normal dress code requirements are suspended. On these occasions, students may wear jeans or shorts without tears and holes, long or short sleeve t-shirts with no pictures or words, and dresses, shorts, and non-uniform skirts that meet dress code length requirements.

The administration reserves the right to evaluate the level of dress code compliance at any time and address students regarding any form of dress they consider inappropriate. Any student in violation of the dress code will be addressed according to the guidelines established in our discipline policy.

2023-2024 Dress Code Details

Pants:

- Khaki, gray, black or navy pants and must not be frayed, ripped or low-riding.
- Dress shorts may be worn that touch the knees and meet the same conditions as pants.
- Pants should fit casually; they should not be tight or immodest.
- Yoga pants and leggings are not allowed unless worn with a dress that touches the top of the knee.
- Sweatpants are not permitted.
Grades K3 & K4 will follow dress code; however, bottoms may be any material with a pull-on, elastic waistband, or easy on-off solution to assist with bathroom access.

Shirts:

- Shirts must have sleeves and must be solid colors or basic patterns such as plaid, stripe, floral or polka dot, etc. with no midriff or under garments showing at any time.
- Any CHA shirt may be worn on any day.
- No graphics shirts or undershirts permitted.

Shoes:

- Only closed toed and closed heeled shoes permitted, unless professional dress is worn.
- No high-heels, flip flops, light up shoes, crocs, slides or shoes that have interior rollers.
- Tennis shoes are required for all PE classes.

Socks:

- Required for boys.
- Girls may wear solid colored tights or leggings (tights without feet) and are only to be worn under skirts and dresses that touch the knee.

Sweaters/Hoodies/Jackets:

- ¼ zip Pullovers, sweaters, cardigans, and light jackets (no hoods) are permitted and must be in solid colors or basic patterns.
- Only solid black or royal blue or CHA hoodies are permitted in classrooms.
- Outer coats are not to be worn in the classroom.

General:

- Hats and sunglasses must be removed while indoors.
- No unnatural hair dyes.
- Any tattoos must be covered.
- Body piercings are not permitted at school or any school function.
- No excessive use of perfume, cologne or body sprays should be used.

Fridays/Knight Pride Days:

- Jeans should not be frayed or torn, should fit casually; should not be tight or immodest and are allowed as long as students wear Knight Pride shirts.
- Team jerseys may NOT be worn to school.

PE Uniforms:

- All students in 6th - 12th grades will be required to wear the CHA PE uniform (purchased through CHA at the beginning of school) and tennis shoes (no exceptions).

Boys:

- Facial hair must be well groomed and neat in appearance. Must be trimmed weekly. (Seniors are allowed the privilege of a full beard.)
- Hair must be neat and clean (combed). Hair should be worn off the collar and out of the eyebrow.
- No ear piercings or visible piercings.

Girls:

- Jumpers/dresses/skirts/skort must be solid colors or basic patterns. Must touch the knee when standing (even with tights/leggings).
- Two ear piercings per ear are the only visible piercings allowed.
- Excessive make-up or jewelry is not allowed.