

CHA DRESS CODE

The Purpose of Our 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 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.

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BOYS AND GIRLS:

PANTS:

- Khaki (tan; not green), gray, black, or navy pants with a maximum of four pockets (not cargo type), 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. Pants worn to school should not be tan colored jeans.

SHIRTS:

- Polo style or button-down shirts (short or long sleeve) must have collars. Must be solid colors or basic patterns: plaids, stripes, polka dots.
- CHA t-shirts may be worn on any day – These include CHA Knight wear, CHA sports teams & conference championship shirts, CHA chapel shirts, etc.
- Boys' (Grades 5-12) shirts must be tucked in at all times except for recess and PE.

SHOES: No high-heels, military-style footwear, flip flops, light up shoes, or shoes that have interior rollers. Tennis shoes are required for all PE classes.

SOCKS: Required for boys. Girls' solid colored tights and leggings (tights w/out feet) may be worn under skirts and dresses.

GIRLS:

- **JUMPERS:** Khaki, gray, black, navy, or basic patterns. Must touch the knee when standing.
- **SKIRTS/SKORTS—** May be worn that touch the knee when standing. Skirts are still required to touch the knee when wearing leggings/tights.

Basic Patterns Include: Stripes, Plaid, and Polka dots.

SWEATERS/HOODIES/JACKETS:

- ¼ zip Pullovers and Sweaters are permitted without a collared shirt and must be in solid colors or basic patterns.
- Cardigans and Light Jackets (no hoods) are permitted with a collared shirt. Must be solid colors or basic patterns. No sweatshirts.
- CHA hoodies without a collared shirt are permitted in classrooms.
- Outer coats and non-CHA hoodies are not to be worn in the classroom.

MISCELLANEOUS:

BOYS AND GIRLS:

- Hats must be removed while indoors
- No unnatural hair dyes
- Any visible tatoos must be covered.
- Body piercings are not permitted at school or any school functions.

GIRLS:

- Two ear piercings per ear are the only visible piercings allowed
- Excessive make-up or jewelry is not allowed.

BOYS:

- Hair must be worn moderate, neat and clean. Length must be above eyebrows, off shirt collar, shorter than middle of ears.
- Must be clean-shaven on a daily basis
- No ear piercings or visible piercings

ATHLETIC TEAMS: On occasion, school teams may incorporate "Game Day" dress to be approved by the coach and Head of School.

SPIRIT DAYS: On Fridays, students may choose to pay \$1 to wear jeans (not frayed or torn, should fit casually; they should not be tight or immodest). Students not in jeans should be in regular dress code attire. Crocs will be allowed on Spirit Days as well.