



SCHOOL DRESS AND APPEARANCE POLICY OVERVIEW

At Christian Heritage, we believe that a person's appearance has a measurable impact on the quality of the overall learning environment of the school. More importantly, we believe that a person's appearance should honor God and reflect His character and attributes to others. Thus, anyone who comes onto our campus regularly (including faculty, staff, and parent volunteers) must dress in a way that is neat, modest, and appropriate for a school environment.

For students, this translates specifically into a standardized style of dress and appearance. Acknowledging that appearance affects the attitudes of students and the overall educational atmosphere of the campus, Christian Heritage Classical School maintains a dress code policy which promotes a neat, modest, ready-to-learn appearance and helps make students aware of their responsibility to honor God both in the way they present themselves and in their submission to the authorities He has placed over them at home and at school.

We believe the standardized dress code will benefit students and families for the following reasons:

- instills school spirit and belonging while allowing enough choice to allow individual expression.
- saves parents time and money because the allowed clothing can be easily located. In addition, time is saved each morning, and the day starts much more smoothly when the child does not agonize over the "what to wear" issue.
- de-emphasizes the social impact of dress and helps focus the students on character and academic issues.
- ensures that the students' appearance will be appropriate at all times.

Students must be in dress code when they arrive on campus and remain in such until they leave campus for the day. **The primary responsibility for ensuring that a student's attire meets the dress code policy resides with the student and his/her parents.** If there is ever any question as to whether an article of clothing meets the stated guidelines, it is best not to wear that article of clothing.

Administration reserves the right to determine if a particular item of clothing meets the intent of the policy.

Please visit the Christian Heritage website Parent's Tab under Resources for a quick link to Backstage Graphics and Lands' End websites. Our member number for Lands' End is 900048828

CHRISTIAN HERITAGE MODESTY GUIDELINES

By *modest*, we mean that students, while at school, dress in such a way that is appropriate for the situation. In this case, the situation is an educational environment with mixed ages and genders. With this in mind, we ask that the following guidelines be followed on regular school days, fun dress-up days, PE classes, service days, debates and presentations, etc.

- Clothing should be clean, neat, and in good repair—no holes, tears, or distress marks.
- Shirts should be of a fit that does not reveal undergarments; tight-fitting tops are not permitted.
- Necklines should not be lower than four fingers below the collarbone.
- No sleeveless shirts or tank tops are permitted.
- Jeans, pants, shorts, and skirts should not be tight and should be of modest fit and rise.
- On WWYWW and other fun dress-up days, leggings & jeggings may only be worn underneath shorts or skirts. Leggings and jeggings may not be substituted for pants or jeans, so they may not be worn only with a top.
- Hemlines of shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers, and dresses should be no more than 3" (a little more than the width of a dollar bill) above the top of the kneecap. It is a good idea for girls to wear compression shorts. If the skirt length is questionable, wear leggings underneath.
- Hair must be of a style and color that is not distracting.
- Male students must wear their hair above the top of the collar, above the eyebrows, and above the bottom of the ear.
- Male students must be clean-shaven.
- Earrings allowed by females only; no other visible piercings allowed.
- Visible tattoos are prohibited.
- Students may not wear any type of head covering during school hours (unless they are participating in a fun dress day).

TOPS SELECTIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

- **Monogrammed polos in navy, gray, or white** from Backstage Graphics (see the CHCS store on their website) or Lands' End (use our school code 900048828 on their website); all students **must have at least one navy monogrammed polo**
- **Various dress shirts** from Lands' End (see Lands' End website)
 - Polos and dress shirts are to be tucked in (grades 2 and above)
- On Fridays: any **Christian Heritage sponsored t-shirt** (does not need to be tucked in)

BOTTOMS FOR BOYS

- **Pants or shorts** in khaki, navy, or gray; **all boys must have one pair of khaki pants (or shorts in the grammar school)**
 - For examples of styles, see the Lands' End website but may be purchased at location of your choice
 - Material: cotton, cotton-blend, cotton twill
 - No cargo shorts or elastic ankles
 - Must have belt loops and belts must be worn (grades 2 through 12 only)
- **Blue jeans—pants or shorts** (may only be worn on Friday for grades K4 through 7; everyday option for grades 8 through 12)
 - No holes or tears
 - Solid-colored blue, black, or gray denim
 - Must have belt loops and belts must be worn (grades 2 through 12 only)

SHOES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

- **Shoes** must have closed-toes and closed-heels (no slippers, sandals, or clogs)
- **Boots** must be brown or black
- No light-up shoes or shoes with wheels
- Tennis shoes must be worn for PE classes

OUTERWEAR FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

- Any school-sponsored sweater, hoody, vest, sweatshirt, jacket, or blazer from our store at Backstage Graphics, Lands' End, or Christian Heritage

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- Belts must be solid brown, black, navy, or *white plaid*.
- Visible socks must be solid brown, black, navy, gray, or white; with long pants, any socks are allowed.
- Stockings and tights for girls must be solid navy, gray, or white.

BOTTOMS FOR GIRLS

- **Pants or shorts** in khaki, navy, or gray; **all girls must have one pair of khaki pants (or shorts/skirts in the grammar school)**
 - For examples of styles, see the Lands' End website but may be purchased at location of your choice
 - Material: cotton, cotton-blend, cotton twill
 - Legging and jeggings are not a pants option
 - Shorts must be within 3" of the top of the kneecap
 - Must have belt loops and belts must be worn (grades 2 through 12 only)
- **Blue jeans—pants or capris** (may only be worn on Friday for grades K4 through 7; everyday option for grades 8 through 12)
 - No holes or tears
 - Solid-colored blue, black, or gray denim
 - Jeggings are not a jeans option
 - Must have belt loops and belts must be worn (grades 2 through 12 only)
- **Skorts, skirts, jumpers, or dresses**
 - See Lands' End CHCS store for approved styles, but may be purchased anywhere; tennis skirts are not allowed
 - Solid-colored khaki, gray, navy, or *white plaid* from Lands' End
 - Must be within 3" of the top of the kneecap; when in doubt wear navy, gray, or white leggings under the skirt
 - Belts must be worn if the item has belt loops (grades 2 through 12 only)

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