

DRESS CODE:

Christian Heritage Academy believes that a student's appearance should reflect the impression that formal learning is important enough to call for precision and neatness in dress. Style of clothing should indicate a serious academic purpose on the part of the student and not in any way distract from instruction. Our standards for dress and grooming are in keeping with the high Christian ideals which we seek to establish in those who attend the school. Therefore, we have established the following specialized dress code:

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

BOYS AND GIRLS

- Shirts: Long-sleeved or short-sleeved, knit "polo" style or turtlenecks, in solid white, navy or primary red (not maroon/burgundy or pink); no emblems, logos, initials/letters, words, or pictures. Middle school students are permitted to wear light blue "polo" style shirts. Shirts should not have pockets. CHA t-shirts may be worn on Fridays and CHA sweatshirts may be worn as needed.
- Slacks or shorts: Solid, dark navy or khaki, uniform style, with no labels. Shorts must be finger-tip length or below. Capri pants and Bermuda shorts (uniform style) that are purchased from a Uniform Shop, Gap or French Toast may also be worn. Clothing must be properly fitted (an appropriate size) and hemmed to an appropriate length. **No cargo pants permitted.**
- Socks or tights: White, red or navy crew or ankle socks or tights must be worn at all times.
- Shoes: Must be enclosed (no sandals, flip-flops, "jelly" shoes, heelies with wheels, etc.) No boots, "crocs", or platform shoes should be worn. Solid color shoes are preferred. Students must follow these guidelines on non-uniform days.
- Belts: Solid navy, brown, or black belts must be worn with apparel that has belt loops. A belt is optional for K5 students.
- Sweaters: Pullover or button, solid white, solid primary red or solid dark navy. Sweaters must be properly fitted, not oversized.
- Outer wear: Jackets and coats of your choice. (Navy blue preferred but not mandatory) Jackets and coats may not be worn in classrooms. CHA sweatshirts may be purchased each fall in navy or red. We can have cold days in Florida during the winter. On these days please send your child to school with appropriate, warm outer wear. Students may be outside

during recess or extended care when the temperature is 40 degrees or above.

In addition to the above, girls may supplement their wardrobes with the following:

- Skirt or jumper: Solid, dark navy, khaki or plaid. (Plaid items can only be purchased at the Student Apparel Shop on Powers Avenue. Ask to see the CHA approved plaid.) Finger-tip length or below.
- Skorts: Solid, dark navy or khaki, fingertip length or below.
- Blouses: White, "uniform" style, button up blouse.

NOTE: The solid, dark navy articles of clothing can be purchased at major department stores. Only uniform-style clothes are acceptable. The Student Apparel Shop and Sunshine School Uniforms also carry these items, in addition to the plaid items. You can also visit the website for French Toast brand uniforms at www.frenchtoast.com. *(Please be aware though that, as with any other store, not all items in the uniform stores meet the dress code. Please call the school office if you have a question.)*

1. Hair must be clean and neatly combed. For boys, length should be above collar, mid-ear, and above eyebrows. Hairstyles should be appropriate and consistent with good grooming and in no way a distraction to instruction. Fad hairstyles featuring different colors, unusual figures or designs cut in the hair, or ponytails on boys are not acceptable. Caps and hats are not to be worn inside the buildings.
2. All clothing should be clean, properly fitted and in good repair (properly hemmed, no holes, etc.).
3. Shirts must be tucked in neatly at all times.
4. Jewelry should be in keeping with the testimony of a Christian woman. Elementary students are not to wear make up. The dress of the Christian should not call undue attention to self. In all we do may God be glorified. Jewelry that reflects feminine appearance must not be worn by boys. Boys may not wear earrings.
5. Students may not write on themselves, others, or on school uniforms.

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From time to time there will be "free" days or field trip days, when students may not be required to wear their uniforms. "Free" days are ONLY on the first "IN SCHOOL" Friday of each month. Modesty, good taste and sensitivity to school policies and our Christian principles should be an overriding guideline to selecting clothing for such "free" days. The following guidelines do not attempt to embrace every conceivable situation in the realm of dress. In the event of a question, the administration will make the final determination on acceptability.

1. All shorts, skirts, and dresses are to be modest in length. Females' sleeveless shirts, sweaters or dresses should not be revealing. No sun dresses or backless styles will be permitted.
2. Halters, spaghetti straps, midriffs and tube-tops are not allowed.
3. No bleached out, faded, sheer, see-through, clingy, or tight-fitting garments will be permitted.
4. All slacks should be properly fitted and in good repair. The "bicycle" elastic pants or any close fitting pants will not be permitted, nor any oversized or baggy pants. No sweat pants.
5. Clothing advertising tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs or drug-related paraphernalia is not to be worn. In addition, shirts with inappropriate slogans, pictures, or designs are not permitted. Tank tops and fishnet shirts are not acceptable.
6. Shoes must be worn at all times. Tennis shoes must be in good repair and laces tied at all times. No thongs or flip-flops (per fire code). Boots without a heel may be worn. Boot must be solid black, brown, or gray in color.
7. If denim jeans/skirts are worn, they must be neat, clean, and not torn.
8. Belts must be worn if clothing has belt loops (K5 students are not required to wear belts).

PLEASE NOTE: Parents should dress modestly and appropriately when volunteering on campus and when chaperoning a school event (e.g. a field trip).

All items of dress and other articles that fall into this category are subject to the approval of the administration. Dress code violations will be handled in the following manner:

1. On the first occasion, a letter from the school office will be sent home with the student to make the parents aware of the problem.
2. On the second occasion, the parents will be called about the infraction.
3. On the third occasion, parents will be called to bring the appropriate clothing. The student will wait in the office until someone is able to bring appropriate clothing.

Thank you for your support in this area, as together we help your child learn to take responsibility for this area of his/her life.