

High School Dress Code (Grades 9-12 Only)

We believe that student appearance affects the learning environment and the overall atmosphere of the school. We want to maintain the casual dress to which CFS staff and students have become accustomed. The intent of the dress code is to minimize distractions and problems, which result from dress that is immodest, that promotes an ungodly message or attitude, that is extremely unkempt looking or that brings unnecessary attention to an individual. CFS administration reserves the right to judge any dress or appearance which may not be specifically addressed within this dress code, but which falls within its intent. The dress code is not meant to be divisive or to dictate a false righteousness. CFS administration, parents, and students will review the code as needed.

The CFS dress code applies to all CFS students during school and school sponsored events, i.e. sporting events, field trips, etc. Club, class, or team sponsors may require specific attire for participants in special events and at certain times i.e. performances, contests, etc.

Students found to be in violation of the dress code will be made to remedy the violation before returning to class. This may necessitate calling parents for a change of clothes. Students who are unsure of the suitability of their attire should come to the office before school so that it may be evaluated without penalty. Students who violate the dress code will be fined \$3.00. If payment is not made to the school office within the week, parents will be billed \$5.00 through the school billing office. To facilitate students returning to class in a timely manner, the school office may provide alternative clothing for them such as a large t-shirt, suitable skirt, etc.

Shirts - T-shirts, (no plain white undershirts) "polo" type shirts, collared shirts, turtlenecks are all acceptable. Shirts with any type of design, writing, or picture on them must be acceptable within a conservative church setting. Shirts representing worldly music groups or singers, or which communicate any message, which may be interpreted to undermine Christian values, are not allowed. In addition:

- Shirts must be right side out
- Shirts must have sleeves and must cover midriff area when hands are extended in the air and cover the back when leaning over
- No form fitting blouses/shirts, which could be considered immodest
- No scoop or low cut shirts/blouses

Sweaters and Sweatshirts - Any style and color is acceptable. They are to be worn over shirts meeting the dress code.

Slacks and Jeans - Any color is acceptable. They must be in good condition with no tears, frays, or patches of dissimilar color or material.

Shorts - must have at least a six- inch inseam. No cut-offs, men's boxers, biking, or gym style shorts. Any color is acceptable.

Dresses and Skirts - must be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee as measured from the floor in a kneeling position. Stirrup pants or leggings may be worn, but only with modest tunic style tops.

Hair - Must be combed, neat in appearance, and out of the face. No cuts or braiding which may appear extreme or attention getting. No "unnatural" dyes or streaking, i.e., purple, green, orange, etc.

Shoes - Any shoe is acceptable

What Not To Wear

- No sweatpants, athletic pants , fleece or velour
- Chains hanging from pants or “Goth” style
- Hats, head scarves
- Extremely saggy jeans or jeans dragging the ground (unkempt appearance).
- Body piercing, other than ears
- Anything, which may be considered immodest or "borderline" in regard to the intent of the dress code.
- Addendum: Some classes may have specific restrictions concerning clothing in the interests of safety. Students will be expected to comply with these restrictions. For example: Open toe shoes will not be allowed in Chemistry labs.

Physical Education (Grades 5-12)

1. Christian Fellowship School t-shirts are required and can be purchased in the CFS office for \$12.00
2. **Navy or black** gym shorts with at least a four-inch inseam or sweat pants must be worn. No short shorts, boxer style men’s briefs or biking shorts. Biking shorts may be worn under gym shorts.
3. Socks are required.
4. Athletic shoes with non-marking soles are required. (Casual sneakers are not suitable for running and other athletic sports).

Not having the appropriate gym clothes will affect the student’s eligibility to participate in PE and affect their PE grade. If a student is provided appropriate clothing by the PE teacher in order for him/her to be eligible to participate in class, a \$2.00 charge per occurrence will be billed to the student’s parents.