

# Dress Code

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## DRESS AND APPEARANCE STANDARDS

As a Christian School we are concerned with inward attractiveness as well as the outward adornment of hair, jewelry, and clothing. We desire for students to please and honor God with their attitude, adornment, demeanor, dress, fragrance, grooming, and appearance. Appearance for the academic day shall convey a sense of discipline, responsibility, and the seriousness of the thought and action of scholarship. The Administrator shall have the final authority in dress code decisions.

## GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Hair/hats
- Hair is to be clean, neatly trimmed, groomed, no lower than the base of the eyebrow, no radical styles, and of natural color. In addition, boys' hair is to be above the collar with no "tails".
- Hats may be worn in the building only upon entering or exiting the building. Sweatbands across the forehead are inappropriate in school.
- Exceptions may be designated days by the Administrator.
- Footwear
- Shoes must provide safety for playgrounds, labs, and emergency evacuation, and have either a back or heel strap.
- Flip-flops, athletic sandals, and Heelys are not acceptable during the school day.
- Clothing
- Students are not to wear overcoats during the school day, unless under special circumstances.
- Clothing shall be neat, clean, in excellent repair, not torn, tattered, with holes or excessively faded.
- Playwear, athletic wear (as shorts and sweat pants) T-shirts (underwear), and pajamas are not appropriate for the outer layer of clothing in the classroom.
- Skirts, skorts, gauchos, pants, or shorts shall extend to the top of the knees when standing. (EXCEPTION ON PE DAY)
- Shirts or tops shall be long enough that the midriff is not exposed when bending over or when the arms are extended over the head. Shirts and blouses shall have sleeves. Shirts and blouses made of sheer or see-through fabric shall have a tank top, cami, or shirt worn underneath the garment, and may not be revealing no cleavage. (low cut tops)
- Small emblems, trademarks, logos, writing, graphics, slogans, or sayings may be worn as long as they are not promoting or associated with causes,

products, organizations, media, or movements contrary to biblical values or deemed inappropriate by the Administrator.

#### Girls' Clothing

- Girls shall wear clothes that distinguish them as girls.
- Girls playing on the playground wearing skirts or dresses shall wear shorts underneath.
- Shirts/tops must not be revealing, showing no cleavage and must cover all underclothing.
- Boys Clothing
- Boys shall wear clothes that distinguish them as boys.
- Collared shirts, long or short sleeves, are encouraged.
- Chapel Clothing (grades 4-10 on chapel day) should be worthy of meeting the King.
- Girls shall wear dresses, skirts, or gauchos that extend to the knees when in the sitting position, even if leggings are worn.
- Girls in grades 4-5 may wear dress pants.
- Boys shall wear long dress pants or khakis with a belt, and a collared long or short sleeve dress shirt with a tie, and shirts must be tucked inside the pants.
- Physical Education Clothing (grades 6-10)
- Clothes worn for physical education must meet school standards of modesty and respect. Athletic shoes, t-shirts, sweatshirts, athletic shorts (mid-thigh), athletic capris, or athletic pants/sweatpants may be worn. The physical education teacher will instruct the students about additional dress requirements.

#### Tattoos, Piercing, Jewelry, Make-up

- Students shall not have visible tattoos.
- Boys may not wear facial jewelry, have any visible pierce jewelry and no facial hair (beards, mustaches, goatees)
- Girls may only have visible pierce jewelry on their ears.
- No new age or jewelry contrary to biblical values shall be worn.
- Make-up shall be minimal.
- The administrator and teachers may allow for differences in dressing expectations of students in the primary grades (K4 through grade 2) and for designated days and events.
- Enforcement
- 1st offense. The student will be spoken with privately.
- 2nd offense. The student will be spoken with privately and parental contact made
- 3rdoffense. The student will be removed from class until appropriate clothes are worn .add and parents/guardian will be contacted)
- Dress and appearance styles and standards are always changing and often controversial. There are as many opinions about acceptable

appearance as there are parents and students. The following biblical guidelines were used to guide the student appearance policy.

- Moderation (Philippians 4:5, I Timothy 2:9-10) Avoid extremes in behavior and appearance so as to not draw attention toward us and away from Christ.
- Jesus and Others (I Corinthians 10:31-33, Philippians 2:3-8, Romans 14:13-15:3) Honor Christ and be not a stumbling block to others who hold Christians to a high standard.
- Brotherhood and Unity of Believers. (Psalm 133) As believers we should be unified and not be in competition or divided into cliques by clothing cost and style.
- Example (I Timothy 4:12) Older students have a responsibility to be an example to the younger students.
- Safety (Proverbs 3:21-23) Shoes and garments shall insure student safety in labs and in the event of an emergency evacuation.
- Gender Difference (Genesis 1:27, Deuteronomy 22:5) Boys and girls shall be distinguished by their appearance.
- Clean (Ecclesiastes 9:8) Students and their clothing shall be clean and have no offensive odor.
- Inward Adornment (I Peter 3:3-4) Students shall be encouraged to develop an aura of purity, modesty, and sweetness, not a tempting or sensual appearance.
- Timing (Ecclesiastes 3) Appropriate appearance for appropriate times and activities. Appearance for business (academics) shall convey a sense of discipline, responsibility, and the seriousness of the thought and action of scholarship. Appearance for recreation may convey relaxation. Clothes for competitions should be appropriate and convey unity, resolve, and discipline.
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## Youth Ministry Dress Code

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At Parkway Baptist Church, we are all part of an environment where we are trying to remove distractions so that we can concentrate on what GOD has brought us here to do. We do not want any student or adult to distract others by the way they dress, or to be distracted by the way others dress. Should you



choose to draw attention to yourself by dressing inappropriately, you will be asked to change your clothes.

Dress should be representative of who we are as Christians students and adults. (Please note: This dress code applies mainly to our youth who are church members and those that attend often. We want them to set the example. However, we will be sensitive to Visitors and will address dress code violations with more grace.)

#### THE CODE:

- Sleeves, please! NO Spaghetti strap tops, halter-tops, tube tops, tank tops, etc.
- Hemlines and necklines should be modest. NO low cut tops (avoid visual cleavage)
- Let your skin breathe! NO Tight clothes
- No sagging! Make sure your pants are not hanging low. (avoid revealing your undergarments please!)
- Shorts are good- but NO "Short" shorts or skirts. (Stand with your arms by your side. If your finger-tips are touching your skin, then your shorts or skirt should be longer for worship and bible study.)
- Speak for yourself! "Message shorts" are not allowed.
- Don't advertise for the wrong guys! Clothing promoting tobacco, alcohol, cigarettes, sex, questionable sayings, slogans, etc.
- Yikes! No bare midriffs- shirts should be long enough that no skin is visible.
- Cover up! Girl Swimsuit rules! If you have a Bikini please cover with a dark t-shirt. If you have a one piece swimsuit that is low cut and is revealing cleavage, wear a dark t-shirt. Tankinis are ok, but observe the No bare midriffs rule above.
- Speedos Bottoms- Guys swimsuit rules! Seriously, who wears those?