

Dress Code Policy | 2026–2027

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

— **1 Corinthians 10:31**

Our dress code is designed to promote modesty, respect, and academic focus, aligning student attire with our Christian values. While we recognize that clothing choice involves personal taste and comfort, our priority is to cultivate an environment of mutual respect, safety, and distraction-free learning that honors Christ in all we do.

Core Principles

- **Modesty & Propriety:** Attire must appropriately cover shoulders, midsections, and lower bodies, reflecting an inner heart of humility and self-respect.

"I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety..." — **1 Timothy 2:9**

- **Simplicity & Purity:** Clothing should avoid excessive graphics or messaging that distracts from learning, promotes worldly influences, or conflicts with scripture.

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind." — **Romans 12:2**

- **Character Over Appearance:** Clothing must be clean, neat, and in good repair, reminding us that while outward attire matters for order, our true focus remains on godly character.

"People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." — **1 Samuel 16:7b**

Specific Guidelines

Tops & Shirts

- **Coverage:** Tops must fully cover the midsection at all times (including when sitting or reaching). Crop tops are not permitted. Tops must also completely conceal all undergarments.
- **Necklines:** Necklines must be high enough to prevent any visible cleavage.
- **Shoulders & Straps:**
 - Spaghetti straps and off-the-shoulder shirts are prohibited.
 - Tank tops worn by female students must have straps at least **three fingers wide**.
 - Male students are not permitted to wear tank tops.

Bottoms, Skirts, & Leggings

- **Length Rule:** Shorts and skirts must reach at least the tip of the student's thumb when arms are hanging relaxed at their sides.
- **Skirts:** Any skirt that ends above the knee must have modesty shorts worn underneath.
- **Leggings:** Shirts worn over leggings **must fully cover the buttocks**.
- **Prohibited Items:** Bike shorts are **not permitted** as outerwear. Low-rise pants or shorts are prohibited.
- **Rips & Distress:** Pre-purchased distressed or frayed jeans are acceptable only if tears are minimal. Extensive holes or tears between the thigh and knee are considered overly distracting and are not allowed.

Footwear & Accessories

- **Footwear:** For student safety during daily activities, shoes with a closed back are strongly recommended. Open-toed shoes, sandals, and flip-flops are discouraged.
- **Headwear:** Hats, caps, and other head coverings must be removed inside the school building (exceptions are made for religious reasons).
- **Accessories:** Jewelry and accessories should remain minimal and non-distracting.

Piercings & Tattoos

- **Piercings:** Piercings must be kept to a minimum. Facial and nose piercings must be restricted to small, subtle studs. Hoop piercings, nose rings, and septum rings are not allowed.
- **Tattoos & Concealment:** Students may be asked to conceal tattoos or excessive piercings while at school or school events.

Prohibited Graphics & Imagery

Clothing may **not** feature logos, graphics, or text related to:

- Secular bands or music groups
- Skulls, weapons, or violent imagery
- Alcohol, drugs, or illegal substances
- Political or partisan messaging

A Note on Boundaries: If you are unsure whether an item meets the dress code, please choose a different outfit. Additional dress requirements may be assigned to any student who consistently pushes the boundaries of this policy.

"Set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." — **1 Timothy 4:12**