

## SECONDARY DRESS CODE POLICY

#### THE FOLLOWING APPLIES TO ALL STUDENTS

- Hair must be neat, clean, well groomed and natural in color.
- All clothing must be <u>properly fitting</u>, <u>clean</u>, <u>without holes</u>, <u>bleached spots or frayed hems</u>. Clothing must not be excessively form fitting or baggy, revealing, or allow the midriff to show at any time. No short skirts or low-ride pants will be allowed.
- Extreme hair and/or clothing fashions are not permitted.
- Footwear must be clean.
- Tennis shoes in good condition are recommended.
- Shorts are permitted; however, the hem must be closer to the knee than to the pocket.
- Inner garments must meet dress code standards as well as outer garments such as sweaters, jackets, etc.
- No body piercing
- Hats that are appropriate may be worn.
- No Shaved heads
- No graffiti on bodies and/or clothing, including tattoos.

#### OUR DRESS CODE MAY BE SUMMARIZED IN FOUR BASIC PRINCIPLES:

1) Clean

2) Neat

3) Modest

4) Appropriate

Clothing should be appropriately functional for activities in which students will engage. The school desires not to over-emphasize the externals in setting the tone of student life on campus "...for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart". I Sam. 16:7. However, a neat and properly attired student will help create a positive atmosphere that is conducive to study and good work in a Christian school. God's Word speaks concerning the importance of the beauty of the inner person rather than an individual's eye-catching or distracting outward appearance. I Peter 3:3-4

The Administration will be the final judge of what is excessive and/or inappropriate.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE:

- Uniforms are to be purchased from *Red Dot Uniforms* and are the required dress for all Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>) students.
- Students may wear their own jackets if weather appropriate. Jackets must have no writing on them.
- Shoes must have an enclosed toe and be securely fastened around the heel. Tennis shoes are recommended.
- Accessories, such as sashes or pins, may not be worn on the uniform.
- Socks must match uniform in color.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL DRESS CODE:**

- ▶ ONLY pictures, writing and slogans, which are clearly honoring to God, are allowed on clothing and other personal items such as backpacks, notebooks, etc.
- ▶ Recommended types include those with Christian slogans or emblems representing the school's athletic teams.
- ▶ Unacceptable types include those depicting rock groups, obscenities, double messages, and alcohol advertisements.
- Plain or imprinted sweatshirts are permitted so long as the message on the sweatshirt is appropriate.
- Sweats must fit correctly and not be faded.
- P.E. shirts for students are required with navy shorts. SCS P.E. shirts may be purchased at the office.
- Hats that are appropriate must be worn in the way they are designed to be worn. Boys are to take hats off when entering the classroom, office or auditorium.

## Types of Clothing / Attire NOT Permitted:

- Plain white undershirt type T-shirts
- Extreme hair or clothing fashions or fads
- Any clothing that resembles gang attire
- Clothing that allows the midriff to show, is excessively form fitting, low cut or revealing
- No all-black attire.
- No spike and/or studded jewelry or belts or leather boots.

## **HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' DRESS CODE:**

- 1. Dresses or skirts are to be worn no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- 2. Jewelry should not be a distraction and should be appropriate to the age group and activity. The school is not responsible for lost jewelry.
- 3. More than two earrings in each ear are allowed as long as it looks appropriate.
- 4. For safety reasons, hoop earrings may not be larger than one inch.
- 5. Make-up and fingernail polish, if worn, should be natural and wholesome in appearance.
- 6. Bras must be worn at all times.
- 7. High school girls may wear sandals or flip-flops.

# **HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' DRESS CODE:**

- 1. Hair must be neatly shaped. It must not cover eyes, or extend below a normal dress shirt collar in the back. Crew cuts are allowed but shaved heads or sides are not. If hair is cut close on the sides it must not be longer than two inches on the top. Dreadlocks are not allowed and sideburns may not extend below the earlobes.
- 2. Shirts must be worn on campus at all times. Plain polo shirts, T-shirts with pockets on them or colored T-shirts are recommended.
- 3. Sleeveless shirts are not allowed.
- 4. One stud earring in each ear is allowed; it must not dangle.
- 5. High school boys may wear sandals or flip-flops.
- 6. Fingernail polish and/or make-up are not allowed.

A student dressed in ways prohibited by our policy will not be allowed in class until the student is appropriately dressed. We will notify a parent immediately in such cases. However, classes missed as a result of dress code violations will be considered unexcused absences and make up work will be graded accordingly. In addition, repeat violations of the dress code will result in disciplinary consequences including lowering of the school citizenship grade. We welcome your