



# NEW COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## DRESS CODE

**NCCS believes that how we look and dress should not only say who we are but also who we follow: Jesus.**

**The purpose of a dress code is to set a standard for our community of faith that also allows for individual expression of style.**

### GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ALL STUDENTS

- Clothing should be neat, clean, and in good repair: no rips, holes, tears, cut-off collars, etc.
- Pictures, designs, and slogans on clothing must be positive, non-offensive and non-violent
- Shorts should be mid-thigh length and loose-fitting (not skin-tight)
- Undergarments, such as underwear, bras, etc., must be “undercover” and not visible
- Haircuts and hairstyles are to be neat, conventional, and keep hair out of the eyes. Hair coloring, in natural tones only, is permissible.
- Jewelry should be worn in moderation. Not permissible: earrings for boys or visible body piercings
- Visible tattoos are prohibited, both permanent and “pseudo-tattoos” (example – created with pen or marker)
- Hats/hoods are not to be worn inside the building
- Sandals/flip flops/slides are permissible. Parents are encouraged to send sneakers or other protective footwear for recess (K4 – 5th grade). Heels must be 2 inches or less. Sneakers are required for gym class at all grade levels.
- Sweatpants/athletic style pants/athletic shorts are not permissible at any grade level, except for gym classes (grades 5 – 12) or special days which must be approved by administration in advance
- Restrictions regarding any new fads or distracting fashions may be addressed at any time
- Theme/special days may have exceptions

### GIRLS – *Modesty is key*

- Steer clear of tops that are skin-tight, low-cut in front/back, exposing cleavage or undergarments, etc.
- Sleeveless tops are permissible, but not tank tops
- See-through/sheer/lacey tops/may be worn IF a modest shirt is worn underneath (at least 1” or wider strap tank top)
- Shirts must cover the entire back and midriff, including when sitting and standing
- Dresses and skirts must be “knee-ish” in length and modest when standing and sitting
- Jeggings/leggings are appropriate IF worn with dress code appropriate shorts, skirts, or dresses
- Make-up, if worn, should be applied lightly

### BOYS

- Tank tops and muscle shirts are not allowed

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION – GRADES 6-12

- Any school appropriate t-shirt
- Shorts no shorter than mid-thigh or school appropriate sweatpants/athletic style pants
- Sneakers and athletic socks

### DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

- Dress code policies are in effect for the entire school year, including the last week of school
- Dress code violators may be required to change into school-appropriate clothing of their own, school-provided attire, or have parents bring appropriate attire to school before being permitted to return to class
- Dress code violations are a Level I disciplinary offense; repeated violations are a Level II offense