

## **DRESS CODE POLICIES**

Kansas City Christian dress guidelines have been established to give students freedom with responsibility that is consistent with the values of our school and to aid in allowing students to pursue instruction and learning without distraction. As in every area of our lives, clothing and the way we wear it should represent our desire to please God and honor Him.

The Administration reserves the right to interpret the dress code to insure modesty and appropriateness. It is also important to realize that parents, as the primary educators of their children, play a key role in this area of dress code. It is incumbent upon parents to guide and supervise their children in the selection of appropriate clothing based on our guidelines.

### **General Guidelines for All Students**

**Clothing:** Our goal at KCC is to dress to honor Christ with a modest and neat appearance. Clothing should not be a distraction and should fit appropriately. Pictures and words on shirts that could be offensive to others should not be worn. Undergarments may not be exposed or visible through clothing (including bralettes). Shirts should not have low necklines (front or back).

### **Process for Accountability and Non-Compliance**

#### **Dress Code Violation Policy for Elementary School**

All dress code violations will be communicated to parents by an email sent by the student's teacher. Continued violation of dress code will be handled by Administration.

\*Sixth grade students will follow dress code violation policy for Upper School.

#### **Dress Code Violation Policy for Upper School (infractions per semester)**

- First Infraction: written warning and parents will be emailed the day of the dress code violation to be made aware of the infraction
- Second Infraction: student will receive a morning detention
- Third Infraction: student will receive a morning detention and they will conference with administration
- Fourth Infraction: student will be sent to the office to call their parents to bring in a change of clothes. The student will remain in the office until a change of dress code appropriate clothing is brought to the student.

Grades K – 12	Girls	Boys
Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No sleeveless</li> <li>No midriffs shown</li> <li>No halter top, tube top, off the shoulder, cold shoulder</li> <li>Hooded sweatshirts must be worn with the hood down while inside the school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No sleeveless</li> <li>Hooded sweatshirts must be worn with the hood down while inside the school</li> </ul>
Pants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No sweatpants, athletic pants or athletic leggings</li> <li>Pants should be free of holes and rips</li> <li>Leggings are appropriate as long as they are worn with dresses and skirts</li> <li>Jeggings are appropriate when worn with tops that encircle the front and the back and are at least fingertip length</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Sweatpants or athletic pants</li> <li>Pants should be free of holes and rips</li> </ul>
Skirts/Dresses/Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fingertip length or longer</li> </ul>	N/A
Shorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fingertip length or longer</li> <li>No athletic shorts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No athletic shorts</li> </ul>
Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K-5 - Dress shoes, athletic shoes, and sandals with a strap on the back are required. No slippers or footwear with wheels.</li> <li>Gr.6-12 - Shoes or sandals should be worn at all times. No slippers or footwear with wheels.</li> </ul>	
Outerwear (Coats/Jackets)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coats and jackets are not allowed in the classroom. Please dress appropriately for the weather.</li> </ul>	
Hats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No caps or hats may be worn in school.</li> </ul>	
Hair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extreme hairstyles are not allowed.</li> <li>Hair color must be natural.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extreme hairstyles are not allowed.</li> <li>Must be kept above the shoulder</li> <li>Hair color must be natural.</li> <li>Sideburns may not be lower than the bottom of the ear.</li> <li>Facial hair is not allowed</li> </ul>
Accessories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Body piercings (other than ears or a single small nose stud) are not allowed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Body piercings (other than small studs in ears) are not allowed.</li> </ul>

### **Field Trips, Athletic Trips, Fine Arts, Competition, Etc.**

Sponsors, teachers and/or coaches are responsible for communicating expected dress for each activity/trip.

### **Athletic Uniforms**

During school hours, all athletic uniforms must meet dress code guidelines if worn in the building. Uniforms may not be worn in the building without permission from the Athletic Director.

### **Formal Occasion Guidelines – High School**

Dresses for ladies and coats and ties for gentlemen are highly encouraged at formal events. Modesty is paramount when making selections for formal occasions. Ladies may not wear garments that have a low neckline, are backless, reveal midriff or are made of sheer material. Dresses must be knee length or longer. If you are concerned regarding a specific article of dress, please contact the high school office.

### **School Sponsored/Extra-Curricular Events**

All students at school events (including all athletic events) are to be mindful of discretion and modesty in their dress. Students who choose to arrive at a school sponsored event in attire that does not comply with this standard will be asked to either rectify the situation or leave the event.

Shorts must be either in dress code or athletic shorts that follow these guidelines:

- Must be longer than your shirt
- No soffe shorts or spandex
- Recommended brands: Champion, Adidas, Nike
- Must be loose fitting (not skin tight)

Shirts:

- Must be at the collarbone
- No tank tops or crop tops
- No inappropriate sayings or designs

### **PE Classes**

Students in 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade must wear school-purchased PE shorts and shirts. Students may wear their PE uniforms home if PE is their last hour