

WHAT DOES COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EXPECT OF ITS ATHLETES?

- **CONDUCT/DISCIPLINE FOR ATHLETES** – A student who displays a poor attitude toward school, classes, faculty or classmates or who displays unsportsmanlike or poor conduct during practice for, or participation in, school events may be declared ineligible for the next game(s) or event(s) at the discretion of the administration.
 - If a student is involved in extracurricular activities and has accumulated three (3) anakinosis referrals or two (2) suspensions or more, he will not be allowed to participate in the next scheduled game or event. It is up to the administration to determine additional consequences for excessive referrals

WHAT IS THE SCHOOL'S POLICY ON DANCING?

- **GUIDELINES ON DANCING** Whereas dancing is presented in Scripture as a generally innocent and positive human expression, the diverse forms and use of dance in our culture push us to regulate its practice within our ministries. Dance in worship is an issue worthy of attention, but the focus of this information is on dance as a social/recreation function. At CCS events, dancing styles that involve close body contact or are sexually provocative are forbidden, as determined by chaperones.

WHAT IS THE DRESS CODE AT COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL?

STANDARDS OF DRESS The following standards of dress apply any time students are in uniform or casual dress on campus. All clothes shall be **modest, well-fitting** and in good repair to present a **neat, clean appearance**. While the school understands that parents are responsible to God for the teaching their children receive in every area of life, including the matter of dress, CCS requires students to follow the school dress code as well as parental support of school policies. Therefore, we expect our families will partner with our teachers in resolving any dress code violations. Our dress code policies provide preparation for our students to one day enter the job market when they may work in an office environment that might carry some form of dress code standards. To avoid school contact with parents at the beginning of a school day and possibly of a student returning home to comply with dress code, we ask parents to make certain that their children come to school attired in accordance the with the CCS dress code. **All administrative decisions on the appropriate student appearance are final.**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS Physical Education uniforms consist of a CCS navy wick shirt and uniform PE shorts. This uniform is required for grades 3-12. Elementary students in grades 3-6 wear the PE uniform all day on PE days. Please note that no other shirt or other color shorts meets uniform requirements. In cold weather, students are permitted to wear PE shorts or CCS uniform sweatpants.

FIELD TRIPS STANDARDS OF DRESS Unless otherwise advised, CCS students are expected to wear the CCS uniform for regular field trips. When other clothing is appropriate for a field trip, the expected dress will be announced ahead of time.

ELEMENTARY DRESS CODE Boys: Navy blue/khaki pants or shorts; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo. Girls: Plain navy blue/khaki skirts, skorts, shorts, capris, or pants; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo. Please be sure that all skirts, shorts and skorts are of a modest length that allows for age-appropriate movement in the classroom and on the playground. · If leggings are worn by elementary school students, they must be a solid color that is in line with approved shirt colors (navy, green, red, maroon, white, blue) or which matches the skirt/skort color (khaki, navy) and may not replace a skort, skirt or shorts. · VPK/PK4 students may wear the green or blue pawprint t-shirt instead of a polo shirt. · **NO SANDALS, CROCS or BOOTS** may be worn, as they are unsafe for playing. Closed-toe shoes and socks are

required. · Students wear regular school uniforms on chapel days. Opportunities to wear Christian Growth Week t-shirts instead of a uniform shirt will be announced.

- **Outerwear Permitted in the Classroom** · CCS monogrammed sweatshirts; CCS monogrammed pullover sweaters; CCS monogrammed fleece jackets; CCS hooded sweatshirts
- **Dress Down Days** - Occasionally the elementary school (or individual classes) will have a Dress Down or NUT Day (No Uniform Today). • Pants, including jeans, should be clean and in good repair. Pants with holes or frayed hems are not acceptable. Neither low riding pants nor low riding shorts are acceptable. Leggings and jeggings are also unacceptable. • T-shirts with offensive messages or pictures are not permitted. Shirts may not be sleeveless on dress down days. • Shorts are to be modest and not to be more than 6” above the ground when kneeling.

SECONDARY DRESS CODE 7th-8th Grades • Boys: Navy blue/khaki pants or shorts; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo. • Girls: Plain navy blue/khaki skirts, skorts, shorts, capris, or pants; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo. As long as available, plaid shorts and jumpers may be worn.

- **Dress for 9th-12th Grades Boys**: Navy blue/khaki pants or shorts; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo.
- **Dress for 9th-12th Girls**: Navy blue/khaki skirts, skorts, shorts, capris, or pants; white, light or dark blue, green, red, or burgundy knit polo shirt with embroidered logo. To ensure modest appearance by limiting the exposure of skin above the knees, box-pleat and A-line skirts are not to be more than 4 inches above the ground when kneeling. Tailored skirts may be worn as long as mid-calf up to 2 inches from the floor when kneeling while the slit in back should be no more than 2 inches long if the skirt is above the knee. Shorts and skorts are not to be more than 6 inches above the ground when kneeling. · All clothing must fit properly. · Shorts may not be rolled up. · Laced or Velcro athletic shoes are preferred. Students may not wear water-shoes, slippers, athletic sandals, or flip-flops (however, sandals with straps are authorized).
- **Outerwear Permitted in the Classroom** CCS monogrammed sweatshirts; CCS monogrammed pullover sweaters; CCS monogrammed fleece jackets; CCS hooded sweatshirts; CCS navy letter jackets, or other CCS athletic jackets. Casual Dress Days On occasion, CCS will declare a “casual dress” day, in addition to the monthly casual dress for chapel, 9-12 grades.
- **Casual Dress Days**: students may wear the regular CCS uniform, dress in business attire, or use the following guidelines for casual attire: • Pants, including jeans, should be clean and in good repair. Pants with holes or frayed hems are not acceptable. Neither low riding pants nor low riding shorts are acceptable. • T-shirts with offensive messages or pictures are not permitted. Shirts may not be sleeveless. • Shorts are to be modest and not to be more than 6” above the ground when kneeling. • Students violating the casual dress code will contact their parents to make arrangements to adjust their attire to conform to this very relaxed dress requirement. Repeated violation of CCS dress code will result in temporary or permanent loss of casual dress privilege.

CHAPEL DRESS CODE

- **Chapel Dress for 7th – 8th Grades**: Students should wear school uniform on chapel days. Any uniform colors are acceptable.

- **Chapel Dress for 9th-12th Grades:** School uniform is required for all chapel days except the last Friday of each month. On this day, CCS authorizes a “casual dress” for 9th thru 11th grade. Seniors enjoy chapel casual dress for every Friday chapel. Casual attire must be modest, clean, in good repair as to present a neat appearance, and not tight fitting.

OTHER DRESS CODE NOTES VPK-12TH GRADE • All clothing must fit properly. For modesty reasons, young ladies must wear shorts under skirts or jumpers when playing on playground equipment. Shorts worn under skirts must not be seen below the skirt hemline while standing. Pant hemlines should be worn at traditional lengths. • Short skirts are not acceptable. • Leggings and yoga pants are not acceptable. • Knit polo shirts must fit properly, be buttoned and clean. Solid-colored undershirts (short sleeves only) may be worn under the polo shirt at any time. Solid uniform colored long undershirts may be worn under a short sleeve polo shirt during cold weather. • Low riding is not permitted. Pants and shorts will be considered low riding if underwear or flesh of the top of the buttocks is visible or if the waistline of the pants rides below the top of the buttocks even if the shirt is tucked in. • Jackets and overcoats of any color may be worn outdoors. Only the approved outerwear may be worn inside. • Hats or sweatbands should not be worn while in the building. • Students may not have visible tattoos- permanent or temporary. • Body piercing jewelry is not allowed. Boys may not wear earrings. • Unnatural hair color and other distracting styles are not acceptable. Hair length for boys must be maintained above the eye-line in front, no longer than the bottom of the ear on the sides, and at collar line in the back. • Boys are not allowed to have facial hair.

HOW IS DISCIPLINE HANDLED AT COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL?

- **DISCIPLINE PHILOSOPHY OF DISCIPLINE** Our primary concern at CCS is the heart of our students, as God has clearly revealed in His Word that behavior is a mirror of the heart. The goal of discipline is to show students how to please and honor God in their actions and attitudes and to promote self-discipline, self-control, and self-correction. Discipline at CCS is intended to apply God’s law with love to accomplish good for the person being disciplined. Our goal in disciplining is for students to become self-controlled through the Holy Spirit's use of internalized Biblical precepts while understanding God's abundant grace. CCS strives to encourage our students’ commendable behaviors by using positive reinforcement, noting what is good and praiseworthy as well as correcting inappropriate behavior. Teachers will always attempt to communicate with parents, (whenever possible, either in person or by telephone rather than email,) when student behavior/conduct begins to disrupt learning or detracts from teacher ability to effectively teach their class/subject. Our desire is for parents to address and resolve misbehavior rather than for teachers or administration to do that. All our families must understand that proper classroom discipline and general proper student behavior enhances the learning and Christian growth environment.
 - **PARENT PARTNERSHIP IN DISCIPLINE** Teachers will contact parents when student issues that have not been corrected arise during school hours. This communication is important to us. We appreciate parent support, continued counseling at home, and suggestions to teachers. When issues arise that continue and are potentially harmful to the students, the Administration will contact the family's youth pastor at their local church for further counseling. In the event that the family does not have a home church then the Covenant Presbyterian youth director will join the school administration in providing ministry.