

DRESS CODE POLICY

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Introduction

The purpose of the Chilton Area Catholic School Uniform guidelines is to establish a respectful, spiritual and quality environment that focuses on enhancing and not disrupting the educational environment. Consistent apparel minimizes competition and comparison. It also minimizes the cost of clothing for children for school. Uniforms will be worn every school day, and at school events unless notified or a uniform-free-day is awarded.

Dress Code Enforcement and Disciplinary Action

The parents are asked to support the school's environment of learning by enforcing the uniform guidelines beginning at home. The uniform guidelines will be enforced at school. Any violations of the school dress code and uniform policies will result in the following discipline;

*First offense:* A note will be sent home to the parent/guardian indicating the uniform code infraction. This will give the family time to correct the uniform infraction.

*Second offense:* Parent/guardian will be called to provide the proper and complete uniform.

*Third offense:* May result in a detention, depending on age and responsibility of the student.

Further infractions of the dress code will be determined by the principal.

Dress Code

Proper dress for boys includes a shirt and pants. Proper dress for girls includes pants and top, dress, or skirt with top. Boys and girls may wear shorts when appropriate (fingertip rule applies). See Parent/Student Handbook for date guidelines for wearing shorts.

- Khaki, Navy or Grey colored pants or shorts (appropriate length).
- Girls may wear a khaki tan, grey or navy colored skirt of appropriate length ("fingertip" length rule applies to dresses, skirts and shorts). Leggings/jeggings must be worn with a skirt or jumper over them.
- Polo shirt, sweatshirt, t-shirt and other appropriate style shirts with CACS logo.
- Shoes with closed toes must be worn daily. Crocks and other similar style shoes must be worn with socks. Forgetting shoes, during boot season, will result in the uniform disciplinary actions.

- Physical Education attire to include athletic shorts ("fingertip" length rule applies), shirt with CACS logo, and tennis shoes.

- Hairstyles must be neat, clean, groomed and of reasonable style that does not detract from the learning environment at CACS. Only natural colored hair is acceptable.

- There may be special occasions that individual students may be awarded a dress-code-free day (such as a birthday or as a reward for outstanding performance or service).

Uniform-free-days are awarded by the principal and are at the discretion of the principal. Modest dress code rules still apply (see Parent/Student handbook for rules).

Dress code and appropriateness of clothes, jewelry, etc. will be enforced by the principal and/or teacher. The Board of Education gives the principal the right to make judgment decisions when a question arises pertaining to questionable dress code attire.