



Elementary Dress Code

CHA is committed to training American Christian leaders for every sphere of society. Within the employment sector, there are standards of dress. CHA's dress code is a tool, which prepares students to be leaders in the workforce by teaching them to adhere to a standard as they practice Christian self-government. This policy is not intended to measure spirituality, but to foster a positive learning environment.

Dress Code Definitions for all Students

1. **Regular School Dress:** To be worn on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Boys may wear jeans and girls may wear pants.
2. **Chapel Dress:** To be worn on Wednesdays. Boys will wear dress slacks/khakis/uniform pants with a collared shirt. Girls will wear dresses or skirts with appropriate shirt.
3. **CHA Shirt:** May be worn on Fridays or last day of the school week. Jeans and CHA shirts may be worn. Students may wear a "regular school day" shirt OR a CHA shirt.
4. **Activity Dress:** The dress code for all extracurricular school activities—including weekend and holiday events
5. **Athletic Event Dress:** The dress code for students at after-school athletic events
6. **Cross Country Dress:** The dress code for students at Saturday races
7. **Dress Code Reminders:** Notification will be sent through the Remind app. Students and parents may sign up for notifications by entering the number 81010 and texting the message @chadc2.

Elementary Boys

General

- Clothing should have no writing or advertisement (other than a small logo), except for clothing that is purchased through CHA.
- No tattoos should be visible.
- Young men may have no pierced jewelry on any part of the body.
- Jewelry which draws undue attention should not be worn.
- No hats are to be worn in buildings.
- No actual national flags may be worn as any part of a costume including as a covering or a cape.

Hair

- Hair should be neat and clean.
- Hair should be cut above the shirt collar, the eyebrows, and the ears (not just combed off the eyebrows and ears).
- Hair should not be completely or partially shaved nor shorter than 1/8 inch (a #1 guard), but should be conservative and traditional. A short cut on the sides must be blended. No patterns can be shaved into the hair. Questions concerning this should be asked before receiving a haircut.
- Hair color should not be changed in any way.
- Faces should be cleanly shaven.

Pants

- Dress slacks/ khakis, traditional uniform-style cotton pants (inset pockets with no brads).
- Jeans colors are limited to solid shades.
- Dress slacks/traditional uniform pants may have a subtle print (not flamboyant such as tie-dyed, neon, rainbow, and camo).
- Jeans may be worn on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
- Low-cut, tight, cargo, carpenter, or baggy jeans/pants may not be worn.
- Pant length must at least touch the anklebone or longer.
- Jeans/pants should not have holes, patches, pocket design, nor be faded, well-worn, or frayed.
- Belts must be worn on all clothing with belt loops, if visible. Pre-K boys are not required to wear a belt.
- Overalls are not to be worn.
- No elastic-bottom pants may be worn.

Shirts

- Shirts must have fold-over collars.
- Shirts must be tucked in (shirt must be long enough to remain tucked in when arms are extended).
- CHA t-shirts are not required to be tucked in.
- Long-sleeved shirts must be buttoned at the cuff or rolled no higher than the elbow.
- Thermal or thermal-looking shirts may not be worn.
- The top button on a dress shirt or the top two buttons on a pullover shirt may be left unbuttoned.
- Sweaters not tucked in must hang no lower than just below the belt.
- 1/4 - zip shirts may be worn untucked and must hang no lower than just below the belt. They may not be worn on Chapel Dress Days.
- CHA Shirt - Any shirt, sweatshirt, or hoodie produced by CHA is considered a CHA shirt.
- Solid, striped, plaid, or patterned shirts may be worn. Shirts may have a simple picture. No cartoon images (Mickey Mouse, TV characters, superheroes, etc) or movie references (Star Wars, Disney, etc) may be worn. Shirts may not have large logo names across the front.
- Shirts with hoods may not be worn.
- Shirts made of sweatshirt material may not be worn.
- Shirts with buttons down the front must be buttoned.

Outer Clothing

- Pullover hoodies may not be worn at school. CHA hoodies may be worn on CHA shirt days.
- Full-zippered hoodies and jackets may be worn any day as long as the underlying shirt meets the assigned dress code for the day.

- 1/4 -or 1/2 - zip jackets may be worn but the required day's shirt must be worn underneath the jacket.
- Unbuttoned shirts may not be worn as a jacket.

Shoes and Socks

- Socks must be worn at all times.
- Dress shoes and informal loafers must be worn for Chapel Dress. No athletic shoes.
- Shoes that require laces must have laces in place and tied.
- PK - 1st graders must wear athletic shoes every day except special events.
- Boys may wear cowboy boots unless they interfere with PE and/or recess.
- Work boots, combat boots, hiking boots, sandals, flip flops, slides, house shoes or any shoe with those appearances may not be worn.
- Traditional croc-style shoes with the domed-holed toe may not be worn to school.

Shorts

- Uniform shorts may be worn before November 1 and after March 1.
- Shorts must be long uniform shorts - available from stores where they are specifically designated as "Uniform Shorts" (non-stretch material, inset pockets with no brads).
- Shorts may be worn any day, except Chapel Dress day.
- Shorts colors are limited to shades of brown, tan, black, navy, and gray.
- Shirts worn with uniform shorts must be collared shirts with the exception of Fridays. On Fridays, CHA t-shirts may be worn with the uniform shorts.
- Shirts must be tucked in except on Fridays.
- Belts must be worn on any clothing with belt loops.
- Athletic shoes must be worn with the shorts uniform.

Activity Dress/After-school Athletic Event (i.e. field trips where appropriate)

- Jeans, approved athletic pants, cargo pants, or uniform shorts may be worn.
- CHA sweatshirts and CHA t-shirts may be worn.
- CHA shirts may be worn untucked on CHA shirt days.
- On work project days overalls may be worn.

Program/Sport Banquet Dress

- Chapel dress.

Cross-Country, Baseball, and Tennis Dress

- CHA Apparel Shorts may be worn to Cross-Country events, baseball games, and tennis matches.

Elementary Girls

General

- Clothing should have no writing or advertisement (other than a small logo) except for clothing that is purchased through CHA.
- No tattoos should be visible.
- Piercings may be in the ear lobe and one small stud in the cartilage. Gauges are not to be worn.

- Jewelry which draws undue attention should not be worn.
- No hats are to be worn in buildings.
- Undergarments must not be seen through clothing or outside of clothing.
- Traditional headbands may be worn.
- No actual national flags may be worn as any part of a costume including as a covering or a cape.

Hair

- Hair must be neat, clean, conservative, and traditional. Questions about this should be asked prior to making a questionable change in hairstyle.
- Any changes in hair color should be to a *natural* color to the student.

Dresses and Skirts

- On Chapel Dress Days, girls must wear dresses or skirts unless a notification has been sent through the Remind App indicating it is a cold weather day or a special event.
- Dress and skirt lengths are to be at or below the kneecap.
- Slits in dresses and skirts should be no more than 2 ½ inches above the knee (approximately the width of a lady's hand).
- Leggings to the ankle or tights are permitted and can be worn under dresses or skirts that meet the above length. Legging/tight colors are limited to solid shades of black, white and brown.
- Girls in PK - 4th grade must wear shorts under dresses and skirts on the playground and in PE class. Shorts must be worn with tights and/or leggings as well.

Pants

- Pants may be worn for Regular School Day Dress.
- Pants must be traditional uniform-style cotton pants (inset pockets with no brads).
- Jeans colors are limited to solid shades without embroidery or colored panels.
- Dress trousers/traditional uniform pants may have a subtle print (not flamboyant such as tie-dyed, neon, rainbow, and camo).
- Pants should be loose-fitting. No undergarment lines should be showing. All pants must not give the appearance of skintight. There should be a visible ease through the leg and hip area.
- Jeans/Pants/Dress trousers must at least touch the anklebone or longer. Dress trousers are defined as having a straight leg that is wider than a traditional uniform pant and a non-tapered ankle. Dress pants will have inset pockets with no brads.
- Belts must be worn on all clothing with belt loops, when shirts are tucked in.
- Overalls are not to be worn.
- No elastic-bottom pants.
- Romper with traditional pant legs may be worn. Romper tops must adhere to the dress code requirements for shirts.
- Jeans may be worn on Fridays or the Last Day of the Week for CHA Shirt Day.
- Jeans/Pants/dress pant trousers should not have holes, patches, nor be faded, well-worn, or frayed with inset pockets. Pants/dress trousers should not have embroidery or colored panels.
- Leather pants, corduroy, sweat pant-style pants, athletic pants, stretch pant-style pants, and pajama-style pants may not be worn.

Shirts

- No sleeveless tops.
- Tops must be modest, neat, and loose-fitting, and may be worn un-tucked (except flannel and Oxford style shirts) with no midriff showing when arms are extended overhead.
- Necklines must be modest. At minimum, tops should be no lower than the width of the palm of the hand from the collarbone.
- Tops that are sheer, have low backs (below mid-shoulder blades), or have cutouts may not be worn, unless a top which meets dress code guidelines is worn underneath.
- Thermal or thermal-like shirts should not be worn.
- Solid, striped, plaid, or patterned shirts may be worn. Shirts may have a simple picture (i.e. flowers, butterflies, hearts, etc). No cartoon images (Minnie Mouse, princesses, TV characters, superheroes, etc) or movie references (Star Wars, Disney, etc) may be worn. Shirts may not have large logo names across the front.
- Shirts with hoods may not be worn.
- Shirts made of sweatshirt material may not be worn.
- Shirts with buttons down the front must be buttoned.
- No form fitting tops may be worn.

Undergarments

- Undergarments must be worn. These should include a camisole for light-weight blouses.
- Slips are needed in all circumstances where the skirt or dress is not made of heavy material.
- No undergarments may be seen including sports bra straps.

Outer Clothing

- Pullover hoodies may not be worn at school. CHA hoodies may be worn on CHA shirt days.
- Zippered hoodies and jackets may be worn any day.
- Oversized unbuttoned shirts may not be worn as a jacket.

Shoes and Socks

- Shoes must be worn properly at all times, including laces tied when applicable.
- Girls may not wear high heels (except 5th/6th grade girls on Chapel Dress Days).
- Shoes must have strapping or a body that holds the foot firmly.
- Rubber or plastic flip-flops or slides may not be worn.
- PK - 1st graders must wear athletic shoes (or rubber sole Toms/Mary Janes) every day except special events.
- Socks must be worn with athletic shoes.
- Athletic shoes, casual tennis shoes such as Keds or Vans, and Chacos or similar style sandals may be worn on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
- Boots may be worn as long as they do not interfere with PE and/or recess.
- Work boots, combat boots, hiking boots, furry shoes, and house shoes or any shoe with those appearances should not be worn.
- Traditional croc-style shoes with the domed-holed toe may not be worn to school.

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- Shorts must be long uniform shorts - available from stores where they are specifically designated as

“Uniform Shorts” (non-stretch material, inset pockets with no brads).

- Shorts may be worn any day, except Chapel Dress day.
- Shorts colors are limited to shades of brown, tan, black, navy, and gray.
- Shirts worn with uniform shorts must be collared shirts with the exception of Fridays. On Fridays, CHA t-shirts may be worn with the uniform shorts.
- Belts must be worn on any clothing with belt loops.
- Athletic shoes, Toms-style slip on shoes, and Mary Jane-style shoes must be worn with the shorts uniform. Girls in grades 3-6 may wear sandals with the shorts uniform.

Activity Dress (i.e. field trips where appropriate)

- Approved athletic pants, cargo pants, or uniform shorts may be worn.
- Jeans (pants with brads), corduroy pants cut like jeans, leather pants, sweat pant-style pants, stretch pant-style pants, and pajama-style pants may not be worn.
- Pants should be loose-fitting. No undergarment lines should be showing.
- CHA sweatshirts and CHA t-shirts may be worn.
- On work project days, jeans or overalls may be worn.

After-School Athletic Event Dress

- Activity dress guidelines apply with the following addition: Jeans may be worn.

Program/Sports Banquet Dress

- Chapel dress.

Cross-Country, Baseball, and Tennis Dress

- CHA Apparel Shorts may be worn to Cross-Country events, baseball games, and tennis matches.