

# Elementary Uniform Dress Code

As a Christian school, we desire our families and overall ministry to reflect “Christ-likeness.” SCA seeks to encourage its students to think and act like Christian ladies and gentlemen. The dress code serves as a tool in fostering the academic and character development of the student. In general, students wear plain, solid color, nondescript (no logos) traditional school uniforms in the colors designated. These guidelines are **minimum** standards and are to be used to help parents and students select clothing for school. **Modesty, neatness, and safety are used as the key measurements for our dress code. The administration has the discretion to determine the “modesty, neatness, & safety” of clothing and if it fits within the standards set.**

## Dress will:

- **Honor and glorify the Lord**
- **Reflect modesty**
- **Reflect neatness and cleanliness**
- **Not be a distraction to the learning environment**
- **Not be a stumbling block for others**
- **Non offensive or divisive**

## General Guidelines:

### **I. Students Kindergarten - 5th grade:**

1. Students are expected to dress according to uniform (K-5) or dress code (6-8) from the time they arrive on campus for school until they leave the campus for the day.
2. All garments must be modest, neat and clean (no frays, holes, stains, etc.).
3. All garments are to have a traditional fit. Oversize, form fitting, or short styles are not permitted. Items not permitted include, but are not limited to, yoga pants, leggings, and tights except when worn under skirts or dresses. Pants are to be worn at the waist (No sagging, wear a belt if needed), and may have a snap, button or elastic waist.
4. Skirt/dress length is to be preferably knee length but no shorter than mid-thigh. Use consideration to the growth of your child when purchasing these items. Please check the outfit front and back to make sure it fits appropriately.
5. All shirts are to be appropriately buttoned (all front buttons except the top one) and have sleeves (no sleeveless shirts or tank tops).
6. Tops must completely cover the midriff even when arms are raised.
7. Rompers or body suits are not permitted.
8. Shoes must have closed toes and backs (a strap does not count as a back). No shoes or boots with narrow heels are permitted. Athletic shoes are required for P.E.
9. Tattoos and body piercings (except for girl’s earrings) are not allowed. Boys are not to wear earrings at school.
10. Hairstyles are to be neat, clean, moderate, combed and in good taste. Shaved heads, mohawks, or shaved designs, letters, or numbers are not permitted. Unnatural hair colors are also not permitted.
11. Minimal accessories are allowable and should be conservative, in good taste and not distracting.
12. Hats, head coverings, etc. must be removed in the building unless exempted by Administration.
13. Coats, hats and other outer apparel may be worn to and from school, but hung in the classroom during the school day. Students are permitted to wear hoodies and jackets purchased through SCA in the classroom (not chapel) but not in place of a uniform top when required.
14. Logos, characters, slogans, letters or any designs are not permitted on any clothing item. The only exception is for Jeans Days (see below) and school logo items ordered through SCA and worn on school selected days.
15. Alterations made to uniform items for purposes other than ensuring a traditional fit may disqualify that item from compliance with the uniform dress code.
16. The principal/administration will have the final decision concerning any questionable clothing worn by a student. The principal/administration reserves the right to require any student dressed unacceptably to change clothing before attending classes.

## Dress Code Violations (within a grading quarter):

**First** - issuance of a dress code concern form and verbal warning.

**Second** - issuance of dress code concern form and Discipline Report.

**Third** - issuance of dress code concern form, assigned Detention and a fee assessed.

**Dress code issues exceeding this are dealt with in increasing severity.**

### **Spirit and Special Day Dress Code:**

Special alternate dress days will be scheduled. Dress standards will be established by the building principal. These should be in writing and communicated in advance so parents can be informed and students can be appropriately dressed. The expectation of traditional fit, modesty and neatness will be expected. General Guidelines do apply.

### **Jeans Days Dress Code:**

On Jeans Days, solid color denim jeans or solid color denim jean shorts, skirts, or skorts are permitted (no jeggings). They should preferably be knee length (or longer) but no shorter than mid-thigh. SCA sweatpants and SCA athletic shorts may be worn in place of jeans. Shirts with logos, characters, slogans, letters or designs may be worn, but cannot contain offensive, divisive, political, societal, or gender exclusive messages (direct or indirect). Nothing that is contrary to God's standard as found in the Bible. These items must still comply with all other general guidelines.

### **Elementary (K-5) Uniform Dress Code:**

#### **BOYS K-5th**

- Slacks: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated, pants should be dockers or cargo style, traditional fit (not form fitting), and non-stretch material.
- Walking Shorts: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated, dockers or cargo style, traditional fit (not form fitting), and non-stretch material. Preferably knee length but no shorter than mid-thigh.
- Oxford/Polo Shirts: Any solid (red, white, light blue, or navy are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), long or short sleeved. Shirt length cannot be longer than finger tips.
- Sweaters: Any solid color (red, white, light blue, or navy are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), button zipper/cardigan, pullover, crew or V-neck, or vest type. All sweaters should be waist length.
- Sweatshirts: Includes hoodies. SCA branded only. **Sweatshirts are not permitted on chapel days.**
- Socks: Socks are required (any length or color).
- Shoes: Athletic shoes, boots, or dress shoes with covered toes and a full back (a strap does not count as a back). No narrow or high heels. Gym shoes are required for P.E.
- Light Weight Jacket: Any solid color (red, white, light blue, navy, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), and neat fitting.

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### **GIRLS K-5th**

- Skirt/Skort: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plaid, plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated. Preferably knee length (or longer) but no shorter than mid-thigh. Modest shorts should be worn under skirts.
- Jumpers/Dress: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plaid, plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated. Jumpers and dresses should be preferably knee length (or longer) but no shorter than mid-thigh. Modest shorts with dresses should be considered for playground activities.
- Tights/Hoses/  
Leggings: Any solid color (navy, white, red, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), worn to mid calf or ankle. Can only be worn under shorts, skirts, skorts, dresses, or jumpers that meet uniform qualifications.
- Slacks: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated, pants should be dockers or cargo style, traditional fit (not form fitting), and non-stretch material.
- Walking Shorts/  
Capri's: Any solid color (navy, khaki, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), flat or pleated, dockers or cargo style, traditional fit (not form fitting), and non-stretch material. Preferably knee length but no shorter than mid-thigh.
- Polo/Peter Pan Collar/  
Oxford Shirts: Any solid color (red, white, light blue, or navy are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), long or short sleeved, or white Peter Pan collared shirt. Shirt length cannot be longer than finger tips and must cover midriff.
- Sweaters: Any solid color (red, white, light blue, or navy are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), button zipper/cardigan, pullover, crew or V-neck, or vest type. All sweaters should be waist length.
- Sweatshirts: Includes hoodies. SCA branded only. **Sweatshirts are not permitted on chapel days.**
- Socks: Socks are required (any length or color).
- Shoes: Athletic shoes, boots, or dress shoes with covered toes and a full back (a strap does not count as a back). No narrow or high heels. Gym shoes are required for P.E.
- Light Weight Jacket: Any solid color (red, white, light blue, navy, or black are preferred), plain (no designs or embellishments), and neat fitting.