

Philosophy: The FCS dress requires *modesty* (drawing attention to inward beauty rather than to outward appearance, characterized by adequate coverage and suitable fit), *appropriateness* (understanding the setting and wearing clothing that is suitable for the context), and *professionalism* (displaying measurable excellence within an established set of standards). By practicing these areas within an educational setting, we are preparing our students for success in the vocations to which they are called.

Support: It is imperative that we have full parental support in the compliance and enforcement of our dress code. Remember, you have chosen a Florence Christian School education for your child, and our dress code is a very big part of what we are trying to produce. Your support of administrative decisions regarding clothing in question is required.

UNIFORM DRESS CODE (Required for grades K5-12)

- All styles must fit appropriately so that undergarments on top and bottom are not visible due to the cut of the garment, or visible through the clothing either due to the sheerness of the fabric or the tightness of the fit.
- All clothing must be without frayed hems, cuts, or holes.
- No logos on clothing except for outerwear and spirit-wear as described below.
- All boys' shirttails must be tucked in while on school grounds from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
- Girls' polo shirts are not required to be tucked in; however, button down shirts are to be tucked in.

BOTTOMS:

Boys:

- Pants Khaki or Navy...No Denim....No extra pockets such as cargo style
- 5K-5th grade boys are allowed to wear knee length khaki or navy uniform shorts (no cargo pockets) during the months of August, September, and May.

Girls:

- Pants
 - o Modest fitting pants/slacks from any source that are navy or khaki in color.
 - o Must be full length with no holes or frays.
 - o No low-rise, hip-huggers, skinny pants, or cargo style
 - Skirts, jumpers, skorts: Khaki, navy, or Land's End "Hunter-Classic Navy" plaid
 - ALL SKIRTS/JUMPERS/SKORTS LENGTH MUST BE NO MORE THAN 2 INCHES ABOVE THE KNEE (Including splits).
- Uniform collared polo/tennis dress: navy only

TOPS:

- Collared, pull-over shirts must be solid navy, white, or maize.
- Collared spirit-wear shirts that include the official school logo are acceptable.
- Oxford dress shirts must be white, light blue, or maize (Solid in color no designs).
- Girls
 - A white or navy collared shirt must be worn under uniform jumpers
 - Turtleneck (solid white, navy, or maize) are to be worn <u>ONLY</u> under sweaters or jumpers.

HAIR:

All students:

- No extreme shades (blue, green, orange, etc.)
- Not related to fads
- No headwear is to be worn in the buildings (bandanas, hats, etc.)
- No character / animal headbands are to be worn.

Boys

- Hair length/style must be no longer than half-way down the ear, nor below the top of the collar. Hair must be out of the eyes and must be styled neatly.
- No facial hair (must be clean shaven at all times)

Girls

• Highlights/Lowlights are permissible, but no extreme shades

ACCESSORIES:

- Belt required if garment has belt loops
- No sandals, flip-flops, or open-toed shoes
- Boys Socks (solid colors) are required to be worn at all times
- Girls Tights or knee socks are required for all garments (jumpers, skirts, skorts) except full-length skirts (solid flesh-tone, solid white, or solid navy). Regular socks should be worn with pants.

NOTE: PE/Recess students – All shoes worn on the gym floor must have non-marking soles.

UNDERGARMENTS: All t-shirts are to be "SOLID WHITE" free of any writing and must be tucked in.

OUTERWEAR: Approved outerwear is as follows:

- Sweaters solid navy, white, yellow, gray
- FCS sweatshirts, FCS pullovers, and FCS windbreakers (FCS hoodies may be worn only on Fridays) no other sweatshirts or hoodies are allowed.
- Coats and pullovers (including quarter zip and button) for students in grades 6-12 from any source must be black, blue (royal or navy), brown, gray, or white in color, and all emblems and logos must be smaller than the palm of the hand. No hoods and no camouflage (Exception: K5-5 grade winter coats can have hoods and will not be color-restricted; K5-5 pullovers must follow the color guidelines listed above).
- Notes:
 - Teachers may ask the student to hang the jacket/coat on the coat rack or put the jacket/coat in his/her locker.
 - Sweaters, sweatshirts, pullovers, and windbreakers are to be worn over uniform shirts previously listed.

SPIRITWEAR: Spirit-wear t-shirts may be worn on FRIDAYS ONLY. (Exception: may be worn when approved by the teacher for field trips, etc.)

CHAPEL ATTIRE: Boys are to wear dress shirts and ties. Girls are to wear skirts or jumpers – NO PANTS. Normal chapel day will be Wednesdays for grades K5-12.

JEWELRY/TATTOOS: Visible body piercing and tattoos are not allowed. The administration will determine unacceptable piercings. Tattoos are not permitted other than the wash off school spirit tattoos sold by the FCS cheerleaders for special events.

Students getting permanent tattoos after they are enrolled at FCS may be asked to transfer.

MISCELLANEOUS: No blankets are allowed on campus during school hours.

UNIFORM ENFORCEMENT: The school uniform is to be worn during school hours, deemed as 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Students are not required to wear school dress while attending after school functions; however, apparel must be modest and appropriate. Administration reserves the right to make judgments on dress code issues that are not addressed specifically herein.

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