



Middle School Dress Code

General Information

Heritage Christian School is committed to maintaining a neat, orderly and modest learning environment with as few distractions as possible. How our students dress is a major factor in that environment. ***Your help is greatly appreciated!***

Please understand that items not on our dress code are not necessarily immoral or immodest (many are!). They may simply not be appropriate for the classroom environment. For ease of enforcement, consistency and appropriateness, we have eliminated some things that in other contexts may be acceptable. Fridays will be dress down days when more casual attire (blue jeans, t-shirts, shorts) is acceptable. Slogans or pictures on any article of clothing for dress-down days must be in keeping with the high moral standards of HCS. Brand name logos are allowed.

- **T-Shirts with HCS logos (not PE shirts) are acceptable any day. They must be tucked in.**
- **At all times, the faculty and administration reserve the right to determine what is or is not within the dress code guidelines.**
- **At no time will any apparel with tobacco, alcohol or drug messages be acceptable.**
- **Please remember that we cannot list every item of clothing or style that you cannot wear. Please wear only what is on the list.**

Checklist

- **No oversized clothing**

- **ALL shirts must be long enough to stay tucked when you raise your hand or sit down.**
- **Shorts Days:** Shorts may be worn any day prior to fall break or any day after spring break. Between those two dates, shorts may only be worn on dress down days.

Violations

First violation will be a break DT or lunch DT, depending on severity
Repeated violations will require a conference with the student's parents.

Slacks, Shorts & Skirts

Slacks

- May be worn by both boys and girls and may be any color
- Must be twill, khaki or corduroy fabric
- No camouflage
- Cargo pants are acceptable
- No baggy/oversized slacks, no sagging
- Must be hemmed, not frayed
- No tight fitting pants for girls
- Capris are acceptable
- Overalls are acceptable (denim only on Fridays; corduroy, khaki, twill any day)

Shorts

- Walking shorts may be worn by boys or girls (no athletic shorts)
- Same fabric as above.
- Must touch the top of the knee
- Must be hemmed, not frayed
- No sagging!

Skirts

- May be worn by girls
- Must touch the top of the knee

- Leggings may be worn underneath

Shirts, Blouses, Sweatshirts & Sweaters

Shirts/Blouses

- Must have collars and buttons (snaps)
- Must not be sleeveless
- Boys' shirts must be tucked in
- Must be buttoned down the front, except for the top collar button
- Undershirts are not required, but if worn must be solid color

Polo Type Shirts

- May be worn by boys and girls
- Must have **buttons (snaps) and collar**
- Must be buttoned except for collar
- May not be sleeveless
- Must be tucked in (and long enough to stay tucked in!) [*see below]

Sweatshirts

- May be worn by boys and girls
- Zip and pullover hoodies are acceptable

Girls' Skirts & Shirts

- Girls' shirts/blouses may be worn over a skirt or slacks without being tucked in. In this case, belts are not required.
- Girls' shirts must not be tight fitting or low cut.
- Girls' nicer knit tops do not have to have a collar.
- Camis and tank tops may only be worn under a closed shirt, jacket or sweater.

Sweaters

- May be worn by boys and girls

- May include v-neck, crew neck, cardigans, **loose-fitting** turtlenecks, zippered front or pull-over vests (fleece type vests are ok)
- May not be tight-fitting

Turtlenecks

- Mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed.
- May not be tight fitting

Accessories

Belts

- Must be worn with any garment with belt loops
- Elastic top slacks are acceptable

Socks

- Must be worn by boys and girls
- Girls may wear stockings/tights instead of socks
- Not necessary for sandals

Shoes

- Sandals are acceptable.