

# ADVENTURE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## ELEMENTARY DRESS CODE (GRADES TK - 5TH)



The purpose of our dress code is to encourage modest, neat, clean, and appropriate dress to promote a positive learning environment. Our desire is to teach our students to “Dress for Success.” Scripture teaches in John 15:19, “If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world.” To prepare students for life after ACS, our dress code policy gradually releases responsibility to students for their appearance, moving from a casual uniform in elementary to a modified uniform in middle school, and finally an age-appropriate dress code for high school.

School Colors: Navy and Silver

### Guidelines for Dress and Appearance:

- **General**
  - All clothing must fit well, look neat and cannot be baggy or excessively tight.
  - All clothing and/or accessories may not depict violence, drugs, disrespectful language, political stances, anything not Biblically aligned, etc. – any images depicting behaviors that would not be acceptable by a student while at school may not be worn to school.
  - No see-through and/or stretch material (i.e. lycra, spandex, etc.).
- **Tops:**
  - Tops must be navy, light blue, red, white, or grey in color and be a collared, polo shirt
  - Must cover the entirety of the torso at all times and must cover undergarments completely (i.e. no spaghetti straps, muscle shirts, see-through material, revealing tank tops, etc.)
  - No sleeveless shirts or tank tops.
  - Necklines must be modest and fully cover the chest.
  - Long sleeve shirts may be worn under collared shirts if they are navy blue, white, or grey.
- **Bottoms:**
  - Must be navy, khaki, or grey in color.
  - Must be docker-type skirts, skorts, pants, or longer walking shorts.
  - Girls may collared navy blue or grey dresses or may wear khaki, navy blue, or grey jumpers with a collared shirt underneath.
  - All bottoms must be neatly hemmed without frayed/raw edges and without holes.
  - Must sit at the student’s natural hips or higher and must cover undergarments completely (i.e. no sagging, low rise, etc.)
  - All bottoms may not be shorter than four inches from the bended knee.
  - Shorts must be hemmed (not cut and rolled).
  - Athletic wear or pajamas (sweatpants, yoga pants, leggings, athletic shorts, etc.) are not considered appropriate for the classroom setting.

- Girls: Shorts, leggings or tights must be worn under skirts or dresses.
- **Footwear:**
  - Footwear must be worn at all times.
  - All shoes must have a back strap.
  - Some classes may require a closed-toe shoe be worn (ex: physical education class)
  - Footwear not permitted: shoes with skates, heeled shoes, slides, flip-flops.
- **Outerwear:**
  - Outerwear includes sweaters, cardigans, sweatshirts, jackets, coats, etc.
  - All outerwear must be 1) ACS Spirit Apparel or 2) plain in either navy blue, grey, black or white.
- **Accessories and appearance:**
  - Jewelry must be conservative and not detrimental to the student's or others' safety.
  - Hats and gloves may be worn outside only.
  - Hair color must be a natural color and should be neatly groomed.
  - Boys: May not wear earrings or nail polish at school.

### ACS Friday Dress

- Students may wear jeans with an ACS Shirt.
- Jeans must be clean, without tears, frays, or decoration, and fit modestly. "Jeggings" are not considered a modest fit.
- Students not in ACS Friday Dress are expected to be in uniform dress.

### Chapel Dress:

- Tops: White or navy-blue collared shirt with an ACS logo.
- Bottoms: Navy, grey or khaki bottoms. No jeans.
- Girls: Navy dresses may be worn as long as they have a collar and an ACS logo. Dresses without a collar and/or sleeves must have a white or navy blue collared shirt underneath.

### Warrior Days:

- Students are encouraged to show their school spirit the first Friday of the month by wearing navy and grey/silver.
- School logoed hats may be worn in class on Warrior Days only.
- Face paint and hair color are reserved for Spirit Week only.

### Free Dress Guidelines:

- May be worn on minimum days or when a student has a free dress pass.
- Cannot be worn on chapel days.
- All general guidelines listed above must be adhered to.
- No pajama pants, leggings, yoga pants.
- Athletic pants and shorts may be worn if they fit length, modesty, and material requirements listed above.
- Pants may not have rips, tears or holes.
- Tops must fit modesty requirements listed above: no sleeveless or tank tops, must cover entire torso, and neckline must be modest and cover whole chest.

