# ADVENTURE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

# DRESS CODE



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:**

Students may wear clothing of their choice following the requirements described below. ACS reserves the right to amend these requirements as needed to ensure that clothing worn on campus reflects good taste, a sense of modesty, and common sense to promote a safe atmosphere that is conducive to learning. Clothing that is immodest, distracting, dangerous, or offensive to individuals or a group is considered inappropriate for a school setting. This standard of appearance also applies to accessories, hair, jewelry, etc. The requirements listed here are not intended to serve as an all-inclusive list, and administrators have both the responsibility and authority to apply these general requirements when confronted with dress-code concerns not specifically listed here.

• Clothing selections must be made with the environment in mind – students are attending an academic institution and should dress for the occasion.

# General Policy:

- Footwear must be worn at all times; all shoes must have a back strap, some classes may require a closed-toe shoe be worn during that period (P.E., lab sciences, etc.).
- Clothing 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.
- Dark glasses and hats may not be worn indoors, nor any items that limit the school's ability to visually identify a student.

### • Tops:

- 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.)
- Shoulder straps must be a minimum of 3 inches wide and on both shoulders (no strapless tops or dresses).
- Necklines must be modest and fully cover the chest.

### Bottoms

- Must sit at the student's natural hips or higher and must cover undergarments completely (i.e. no sagging, low rise, etc.)
- May be no shorter than four inches from the bended knee
- Rips or tears may not expose skin higher than four inches from the bended knee
- Athletic wear or pajamas (sweatpants, yoga pants, leggings, athletic shorts, etc.) are not considered appropriate for the classroom setting.

# • 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 (jumper type) 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 layers of ACS gear, navy and grey/silver.
- School logo hats may be worn in class on Warrior Days only.
- Face paint and hair color are reserved for Spirit Week only.