

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 and neatness are used as the key measurements for our dress code. The administration has the discretion to determine the “modesty & neatness” 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

General Guidelines:

1. Students are expected to dress according to uniform/dress code 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...).
3. All garments are to have a traditional fit. Oversize, tight or short styles are not permitted. Pants are to be worn at the waist (No sagging), no cargo pockets, big back pockets, or straight leg style, may be snap, button or elastic waist.
4. Skirt/dress length is to be knee length or longer. Slits are acceptable in a straight skirt from the bottom of the hem/skirt up to the knee for walking ease. Consideration should be given to the growth of your child. Parents may want to choose garments with at least a 2-inch hem for alterations, to comply with the knee length policy. Please check the skirt front and back to make sure it hits the knee appropriately. Plaids must coordinate with uniform colors.
5. All shirts are to be appropriately buttoned (all front buttons except the top one).
6. Tops must completely cover the midriff even when arms are raised.
7. On Jean Days, blue or black denim jeans or blue or black denim knee length jean shorts or skirt are permitted (no jeggings). These items must still comply with the general guidelines.
8. A belt must be worn with any garment that is designed with belt loops.
9. Visible tattoos and body piercing (except for girl’s earrings) are not allowed. Boys are not to wear earrings at school.
10. Logos, slogans, letters or any designs are not permitted on any item. The only exception is for school logo items ordered through SCA and worn on school selected days.
11. Hairstyles are to be neat, clean, moderate, combed and in good taste. Hairstyle extremes and non-traditional or unnatural hair colors are not permitted. Boy’s hair length must be above the shirt collar.
12. Minimal accessories are allowable and should be conservative, in good taste and not distracting.
13. Hats, bandanas, head coverings, etc. must be removed in the building unless exempted by Administration.
14. Coats, hats and other outer apparel may be worn to and from school, but hung in the classroom during the school day unless the principal permits students to wear them because of a cold building.
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.

17. *Uniform items can be purchased from any store, catalog, school supply company such as J.C. Penney, Lands' End, frenchtoast.com, educationalapparel.com, etc., as long as it meets the SCA Uniform Dress Code.*
18. Repeated Dress Code violations will be dealt with in increasing severity.

School Day Standard Dress:

BOYS

- Slacks: plain, solid color, navy, khaki or black cotton/polyester twill, flat or pleated, traditional fit, no cargo pockets, big back pockets, or straight leg styles
- Walking Shorts: plain, solid color, navy, khaki or black cotton/polyester twill, flat or pleated, no cargo pockets or big back pockets, knee length, **not permitted on chapel day**
- Oxford Shirts: plain, solid color, white or light blue, button down collar, long/short sleeved
- Knit or Dry Fit
Moisture-Wicking
Polo Shirts: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy, long/short sleeve – shirt length cannot be longer than finger tips.
- Mock/Turtle Neck: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy/long sleeved only
- Sweaters: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy button/zipper/cardigan, pullover, crew or V-neck, or vest type (waist length)
- Sweatshirts: with official SCA logo, **not permitted on chapel day**
- Belts: required for garments designed with belt loops
- Socks: required, except with sandals
- Shoes: athletic shoes, dress shoes, or sandals with both an ankle and arch strap
- Light Weight Jacket: neat fitting, plain (no design or logo), solid red, white, light blue, navy or black

GIRLS

- Skirt/Skort: navy, khaki or black, plaid, or solid, plain, flat, pleated, knee length – front and back, plaid must coordinate with uniform colors, cotton/polyester twill
- Jumpers/Dress: navy, khaki, black or plaid, plain, flat or pleated, knee length – front and back, plaid must coordinate with uniform colors, cotton/polyester twill or polo shirt fabric
- Tights/Hoses: navy, white, red, black or nude – plain (no designs or embellishments), solid color
- Leggings: navy, white, red, or black - plain (no designs or embellishments), solid color, worn to mid calf or ankle
- Slacks: plain, solid color, navy, khaki or black, cotton/polyester twill, flat or pleated, traditional fit, no cargo pockets or straight leg styles
- Walking Shorts/
Capri's: plain, solid color, navy, khaki or black, cotton/polyester twill, flat or pleated, knee length, no cargo pockets, **not permitted on chapel day**
- Oxford Shirts/
Peter Pan collar: plain, solid color, white or light blue/button down collar, long or short sleeved, or white Peter Pan collared shirt
- Knit or Dry Fit
Moisture-Wicking
Polo Shirts: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy, long/short sleeve – shirt length cannot be longer than finger tips
- Mock/Turtle Neck: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy, long sleeved only

Sweaters: plain, solid color, red, white, light blue or navy button/zipper/cardigan, pullover, crew or V-neck, or vest type (waist length)
Sweatshirts: with official SCA logo, **not permitted on chapel day**
Belts: required for garments designed with belt loops
Socks: required, except with sandals, designs permitted
Shoes: athletic shoes, dress shoes, or sandals with both an ankle and arch strap
Light Weight Jacket: neat fitting, plain (no design or logo), solid red, white, light blue, navy or black

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.