HS Boys' Dress Standard 23/24

It is our desire at Calvary Chapel Christian School of Downey to train our students to become ambassadors in their future work places and educational institutions (ESLR #5). Ambassadors are individuals who represent someone else through their words and actions. One action we have to communicate to others our Christian faith is through the way we dress.

Through these dress code guidelines, we desire to help train our students to "think" about their wardrobe as an opportunity to honor and glorify The Lord. The important concept behind our dress code guidelines is to train a mindset. The main goal is **NOT** to create a list of rules.

The basis for these guidelines is not the school's viewpoint or opinion about current fashion/trends but the basis comes from a branding, safety, or modesty issue. Please look through these guidelines with that goal in mind.

Policy for Dress Code Violations:

Please refer to the CCCS Discipline Policy for dress code violation consequences.

General Dress Standards Reminders:

- The dress standard applies to <u>all</u> student activities (i.e. sporting events, school plays, graduation, etc.) both on and off campus. Students in violation may be denied entrance into the event.
- Boys must be neatly dressed at school, wearing clothing that portrays Christ-like character to the world as well as fellow believers.
- Slogans/monograms/bands/characters that display the philosophy of the world are not permitted on any article of clothing or accessory.
- Wearing of female clothing or accessories will not be tolerated.
- Clothing, jewelry or accessories related to a gang will not be permitted.
- Administration reserves the right to determine, that which attracts undue or excessive attention to the wearer and that, which is questionable, inappropriate and is considered unacceptable.

Shirts

- **Button-up shirts** must be fastened to the top two buttons if no undershirt is worn.
- **Sleeveless t-shirts (not tank tops)** are permitted as long as the sleeves do not have a ragged edge. These must fit appropriately, not exposing the chest as you move.
- NO TANK TOPS/FORM FITTING TOPS unless at athletic practice.
- It is unacceptable to wear or cover any of the above under an open vest, an open shirt, overalls, an open jacket.

Pants / Jeans / Shorts

- Must be of appropriate size, not too baggy or too tight. Baggy is defined as not more than five inches of excess material when gathered at the knee.
- Undergarments may not be visible.
- Must not have holes, excessively worn, faded, or dirty.
- Jeans that are faded or have reasonable dye lines are acceptable. No paint/bleach "splashes".
- The hemline of shorts must not be shorter than five inches from the floor when kneeling and no longer than mid-calf.
- Nice quality athletic/track pants are acceptable. The idea is to avoid a casual/sloppy appearance.
- Sweats, joggers, or pajamas cannot be worn as pants, even if it is from a CCCS spirit pack.

Hair

- Hair must be clean, neat and styled in an attractive manner, and not in the eyes.
- Main hair color needs to be natural. Colored accents (up to 25%) are ok but anything extreme that causes everyone to stop and look at your hair is not ok.
- Please seek administrative approval before booking a hair coloring appointment so as to avoid
 the cost of rectifying a hair style that is not within the dress code. Students will be asked to
 change their hair color or cover their head if their hair does not meet the standard of the school.

Hats / Shoes / Accessories

- Hats may be worn throughout campus except during prayer/pledges or at the teacher's discretion in the classroom.
- **Beanies and hooded apparel** (with hood on the head) may be worn outside only.
- Shoes, sandals or sturdy flip flops must be worn at all times. Rubber flip-flops (shower shoes) and slippers are not appropriate footwear. All shoes must have a hard sole for safety purposes.
- Tattoos are discouraged. However, if the student has received parent permission, tattoos must be discreetly covered while on campus. <u>Writing on hands, arms or other areas of the body is not permitted.</u>
- Earrings for boys are <u>not</u> permitted on campus or during any school activities.
- Tongue rings, nose rings, plugs, stretchers, and jewelry for facial piercing are not acceptable.
 Your child will be asked to remove these items while at school. Please consider this before allowing them to pierce their faces, tongues, nose, etc.

2 Corinthians 1:12 it says, "For our boasting is this: the testimony of our conscience, that we conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and Godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, and more abundantly toward you."

So, EXAMINE the attitudes and intents of the heart. Those whose hearts are inclined toward *God* will make every effort to dress modestly, decently, and appropriately. Those whose hearts are inclined toward *self* will dress in a manner designed to draw attention to themselves with little or no regard for the consequences to themselves or others." Got Questions Ministries 2012