



CALVARY CHAPEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

HS Girls' 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 our Christian faith to others 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 all 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.
- Girls 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.**
- 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

- **Absolutely no revealed cleavage or an exposed stomach will be acceptable.** Camisoles or undershirts should be worn to enhance the modesty of a low top/dress or to lengthen a shorter top.
- Form fitting tops, tank/racer tops, spaghetti straps, strapless, halter, sheer tops, and see-through lace/crochet tops are not permissible.
- Undergarments (bra, bra strap, underwear) must not be visible at any time (including thru arm holes).
- It is **unacceptable** to wear or cover any of the above under an open vest, an open shirt, overalls, an open jacket/cardigan, or sheer blouse.
- **Semi-sheer** tops are acceptable...as long as...you wear a tank top underneath that covers your bra strap and is in a similar color to the semi-sheer top.
- Sleeveless blouses may be worn if they are at least **three inches** wide at the shoulder.



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Pants / Jeans / Capris

- Must be of appropriate size, not too baggy or too tight, and 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”.
- Nice quality athletic/track pants are acceptable. The idea is to avoid a casual or sloppy appearance.
- **Yoga pants, sweats, joggers, pajamas, tights, leggings, and jeggings (any skin-tight pants) cannot be worn as pants, even if it is from a CCCS spirit pack.**

Dresses / Skirts / Shorts / Skorts

- Must be of appropriate size, not too baggy or too tight, and undergarments may not be visible.
- The hemline must not be shorter than **five inches** from the floor when kneeling.
- The bodice of a dress must meet the same guidelines as that of a blouse.
- *Front slits are not acceptable at all.* Side or back slits may not be more than 2.5 inches from the floor when kneeling.
- Use common sense and modesty as a guide because styles look different on different body types.

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 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. The width of any heel must be at least the diameter of a dime.
- **Tattoos** are discouraged. However, if the student received parent permission, tattoos must be discreetly covered while on campus. Writing on hands, arms or other areas of the body is not permitted.
- 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.

1 Timothy 2:9-10 it says, “Women are to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly...and by means of good works as it is proper for women making a claim to godliness.”

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