

## DRESS CODE

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Although dress styles and other personal standards in and of themselves do not denote spirituality, no aspect of Christian testimony is as readily obvious as that which relates to appearance. While we realize that the Bible does not specifically tell us how we should dress or how our hair should be cut, it does give us some principles upon which we set the standards for our school. It is not our intention to say that a Christian who does not meet our standards is sinning, but only that our students must meet this standard in order for us to be consistent in our enforcement.

### Scriptural guidelines

- Modesty (1 Timothy 2:9; 2 Timothy 2:22)
- Distinction (Deuteronomy 22:5; 2 Corinthians 11:14-15)
- Identification with the Lord and not with the world.  
(1 Timothy 4:12; Romans 12:12; 1 John 2:15-16)
- Appropriate dress for the occasion.

## ALL STUDENTS

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Any outer articles of clothing (jackets, coats, hooded sweatshirts, etc.) containing inappropriate writings, logos, or insignias are not allowed to be worn. Outer garments are not to be worn to class, nor throughout the building, unless permission is granted by the office. **No hats or caps** are to be worn in the building by UGCS students, and the school would appreciate it if parents set the example. Students are not to wear tattoos of any kind at school or at any school-sponsored event. Please remember that UGCS is committed to maintaining a difference in appearance between boys and girls, recognizing that masculinity and femininity are beautiful God-given gifts. Therefore, there will not always be equality in terms of rules for boys and girls. The administration will have the final say in all matters of appropriate dress.

## ELEMENTARY

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### Boys

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#### Tops

- Collared shirts or sweaters
- Shirts tucked into the pants
- Top buttons may be unbuttoned
- No graphics, such as TV shows, movies, superheroes, etc.

#### Bottoms

- Casual dress slacks or jeans, neat and modest, up to the hips (no skinny jeans)
- Belts (must be worn, if the pants are designed to be worn with a belt)

#### Hair

- Off of the collar, off the ear, above the eyebrows, tapered in the back and sides, and neatly combed
- No faddish or extreme hairstyles. Boys are not allowed to color or discolor their hair. (Boys coming as new students will be given time to let their natural hair grow out, if slightly colored).

#### Shoes

- Dress or athletic shoes
- No open-toed or open-backed shoes, sandals, or clogs

#### Jewelry

- No necklaces, earrings, or other jewelry denoting femininity (Medical bracelets or necklaces allowed)

#### Special Events

- Dress-collared shirts and nice dress pants for special occasions, such as programs, graduations, banquets, and Awards Day.

#### After-school Attire

- For after-school functions, such as games, students must be in school attire and/or spirit wear.

### Girls

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#### Tops

- Sleeved shirts or sweaters
- Modest necklines
- Front buttons on dresses/blouses buttoned within one button of the top, unless worn with another acceptable shirt underneath
- No midriff types
- All tails tucked in
- Blouses/shirts to cover the waistband of the skirt when standing or sitting
- No graphics, such as TV shows, movies, superheroes, etc.

#### Bottoms

- Dresses or skirts
  - Bottom of dress/skirt should be at the bottom of the knee when sitting and standing.
  - Slits and button skirts must be attached so that the opening is not above the knee (side, front, or back).
  - No tattered or worn-looking skirts/dresses are acceptable.
- Casual dress slacks or jeans
  - Loose fitting and a plain pattern; no holes or decorations
  - No leggings
  - No skinny jeans
  - **Note:** Girls must wear shorts/slacks under dresses on the playground. On designated occasions, shorts may be worn, but they must be a maximum of two (2) inches above the knee. (If in doubt, please bring pants.) Black or blue wind pants are also acceptable.

#### Shoes

- Dress shoes, athletic shoes, sandals (no clogs)

#### Hair

- Conservative, neatly combed
- No faddish or extreme hairstyles (new students will be given time to let their hair grow out)
- Color - no extreme changes (Girls are encouraged to keep their natural God-given color of hair.)

#### Special Events

- Girls are to wear dresses (or skirts and blouses/shirts) for special occasions, such as programs, graduations, banquets, and Awards day.

#### After-school Attire

- All students attending after-school functions, such as games, must be in school attire and/or spirit wear.

## Jewelry

- Earrings should not be more than 1-1/2 inches long or wide.
- Only two earrings per ear are allowed; they must be worn in the lobe only.
- No other earrings or piercings are allowed.

## Dress Code Violations

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### Warnings:

- need for haircut, improper dress/skirt length, etc.  
\*\*\*Repeated warnings in any area will become a major violation.

### Major Violations:

- deliberate violations to the dress code guidelines
  - boys** - wrong haircuts, wearing necklaces or earrings
  - girls/boys** - wrong clothing, extreme hairstyles

Parents will be called. Student may be dismissed from school the remainder of the day and any school activity that night. A detention may be given. If dismissed, the student may NOT return to school until he/she has complied with the dress code.

## JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH

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### UNIFORMS

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**Uniforms** are required for junior and senior high students. The purpose is to maintain a uniform image to represent our school. A Lands' End website has been set up specifically for UGCS families.

#### Boys

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Junior and senior high boys are required to wear a Lands' End polo shirt with the appropriate pants.

- The choice of polo shirts is limited to the Land's End Site and the colors of royal blue, light blue, or black.
- Pants are to be in the khaki style (as opposed to color). The allowed colors are black, blue, tan, or gray. Parents have the choice of which brand of pants to purchase. **Jeans and denim are not allowed.**

#### Girls

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Junior and senior high girls are required to wear a Lands' End polo shirt with the appropriate skirts or slacks.

- Girls' **shirt** choices are limited to the Land's End site and the colors of royal blue, light blue, or black. Two types of "generic" polos are available; and, to encourage femininity in our girls, there is also a feminine-cut polo and a Peter Pan-style polo, which offers a round-cut collar and a more feminine sleeve.
- **Skirts and pants** must conform to the following guidelines:
  - Skirt length to the bottom of the knee or below when sitting and standing
  - Slit in the skirt no higher than the top of the knee when sitting
  - Non-stretchy** material
    - Should not hug the curves of the body
    - Should be able to "pinch an inch" of material at thighs, without stretching away from the body

- No **skinny leg cut** pants
- No jean/denim pants

## HAIR

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### Boys

- Off of the collar, off the ear, above the eyebrows, tapered in the back and sides, and neatly combed. Sideburns may not extend below the ear.
- No faddish or extreme hairstyles. Boys are not allowed to color or discolor their hair. (Boys coming as new students will be given time to let their natural hair grow out, if slightly colored).
- No facial hair. (Boys must be clean-shaven.)

### Girls

- Conservative, neatly combed
- No faddish or extreme hairstyles (new students will be given time to let their hair grow out
- Color - no extreme changes (Girls are encouraged to keep their natural God-given hair color.)

## SHOES

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### Boys

- dress or athletic (no sandals, flip-flops, or clogs)

### Girls

- low-heeled street-type, sandals, clogs (all footwear must have a 2"-heel or lower)
- nice-looking athletic (no bright colors)
- no flip-flops

## JEWELRY/COSMETICS

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**Boys** – No earrings, necklaces, or any other jewelry denoting femininity. (Medical bracelets or necklaces allowed)

**Girls** – Earrings should not be more than 1-1/2 inches long or wide.

Only two earrings per ear are allowed; they must be worn in the lobe only.

No other earrings or piercings are allowed.

Cosmetics should be applied modestly and appropriately.

## AFTER-SCHOOL ATTIRE

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Any student attending after-school functions, such as games, must be in school attire and/or spirit wear.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

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Programs, graduations, banquets, Awards Day, etc.

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**Girls** -- Dresses (or skirts and blouses/shirts)