

WCS DRESS CODE

The dress code of Webster Christian School is designed to ensure and promote neatness and modesty and to encourage a proper environment for learning. The dress code items listed below are intended to be the standard for our school, which helps to maintain a Christ-like testimony in the school and communities served. Modesty and neatness continue to be our controlling elements of evaluation.

Students are expected to follow the dress code with an attitude of compliance. Administration and teachers alike will enforce all dress code rules. **However, most dress code violations will be eliminated if parents assume the responsibility of daily enforcing our policy before their child leaves for school.**

If a student is found to be inappropriately dressed, in addition to detention, one or more of the consequences listed below may result.

1. The school will provide alternative outfits, if available. Parents will be notified if this has occurred.
2. If no alternative outfit is available, parents will be called from the school office to bring in a change of clothes.
3. Loss of Dress Down Day privilege. Parents will be notified if this has occurred.
4. Persistent violators may serve in-school suspension or be removed from school.

General Guidelines

Clothing/Appearance

1. All apparel is to be neat, clean and in good condition. No holes, frayed or worn looking clothing will be permitted.
2. Clothing is to be appropriately sized; not baggy, tight fitting or revealing. All underclothes are to be completely covered!
3. No hats, gloves or sunglasses are permitted while inside the building. Zip up or pull over jackets/hoodies along with the WCS fleece jackets or school athletic jackets will be acceptable for jackets worn inside the building. Neatness and modesty still apply to hoodies and jackets. Of course, dress sweaters are always acceptable.
4. Shorts/Culottes are not permitted (except for special conditions in the elementary school).
5. No warm-up pants, nylon wind pants, sweatpants, or camouflage (any color) clothes are permitted.
6. No denim attire permitted except on dress down days. No holes in denim are permitted.
7. No sleeveless tops are permitted. Shoulders are to be covered at all times.
8. Students shall make every attempt to avoid dress styles associated with gang, gothic or any other type of activity contrary to the Christian standards of WCS.

Jewelry

1. Other than girl's ears (one or two earrings per ear maximum), no other body-piercing is permitted.
2. No earrings may be worn by boys. No other body piercing is permitted for boys.
3. No body art is permitted.

Hair

1. Hair is to be neatly groomed and combed.
2. Extreme hairstyles including, but not limited to, shaved or excessively spiked hair styles are not permitted.
3. Hair may not be highlighted in any extreme multi-tone or color fashion.
4. Boys' hair must be neat, clean, out of the eyes and with length not below the normal shirt collar top.
5. If boys are requested to have a haircut, parents, please do so in a timely manner.

Regular School Day Dress – Boys and Girls (K – 5th Grade)

1. Boys may wear: pants (including jeans), shirts with or without collars.
2. Girls may wear: knee-length skirts and dresses (denim allowed); pants (including jeans) or capri pants; sleeveless or spaghetti strap tops only with a shirt, jacket or sweater; leggings with a long top.
3. Boys and Girls may wear: neat sweatshirts and hoodies; T-shirts with sleeves (no inappropriate words); finger-tip length shorts September-October and May-June.
4. Footwear: For safety reasons, flip-flops, clog or platform shoes are not permitted. Sandals with a strap are permitted in warmer months.
5. No piercing (for boys) or body art is permitted.
6. Dress Down Days (the last day of each week): Jeans in good repair may be worn.
7. Gym Clothes: 5th grade students may change into gym clothes in our school lockers.
 - o Finger-tip length shorts(shorts whose length is equal to or longer than, the end of your fingertips when hand is held to your side), sweatpants and wind pants with a loose fitting T-shirt.
 - o Depending on the time that your child has gym, he/she may be asked to wear gym clothes to school. If this is the case, please remember to send your child with a change of school clothes to put on after gym class.
 - o Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade girls may wear shorts under skirts or dresses.
8. Hair: Hair should be clean, neat and kept out of the eyes. Shaved, excessively spiked or highlighted hair styles are not permitted. Boy's hair should not be below the shirt collar.

Regular School Day Dress – Boys (6th Grade – 12th Grade)

1. Pants – Normal dress slacks/khakis worn at the waist and not dragging on the ground, worn or fraying. The color of the khaki-style pants is your choice.
2. Shirts – Polo shirts (with a collar) are the only shirts that are permitted to be worn. The color of the polo will be your choice. Long or short-sleeved polos are permissible. On days that are cool, students can wear long sleeves under the polo, or a sweater/appropriate sweatshirt over the polo. Sports Team jackets are also permitted to be worn. Polo shirts with inappropriate wording are not permitted.
3. Shoes – Dress shoes or well-maintained sneakers are required.

Regular School Day Dress – Girls (6th Grade – 12th Grade)

1. Pants – Loose-fitting dress slacks/khakis worn at the waist and not dragging on the ground, worn or fraying. No other type of pant is permitted. This means, no jeggings, no leggings, no yoga pants, no sweat pants, no knit pants.
A good Rule-of Thumb: If the slacks do not hang away from the leg when worn they are simply not acceptable. The color of the khaki-style pants is your choice. Capris that are below the knee are permitted during the warmer months. The capris also must be loose-fitting and not a knit material.
2. Shirts – Polo shirts (with a collar) are the only shirts that are permitted to be worn. The color of the polo will be your choice. Long or short-sleeved polos are permissible. On days that are cool, students can wear long sleeves under the polo, or a sweater/appropriate sweatshirt over the polo. Sports Team jackets are also permitted to be worn. Polo shirts with inappropriate wording are not permitted.
3. Shoes – Dress shoes or well-maintained sneakers are required.
4. Shoes – Clean and neat. Sandals are permitted.

Dress Down Days – Loose-fitting jeans worn at the waist are permitted. Jeans should be in good repair with no holes. Loose-fitting T-shirts are permitted. No winter hats may be worn while indoors. Hoods must never be worn while indoors. All other standards of dress still apply – including hair and jewelry.

Dress for Gym Classes: The basic required gym outfit is as follows: **Grades K-2:** sneakers and pants (or girls may wear shorts under their dresses); **Grades 3-12:** loose-fitting sweatshirts, loose-fitting T-shirts, sweatpants, knee-length - loose-fitting shorts, and sneakers. No form-fitting clothes.