

Standard of Dress 2019-2020

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Rationale for WCA Standard of Dress

Scripture does not stipulate how we should dress. However, God's Word does call us to be imitators of God (I Cor. 11:1), to be modest in our appearance (I Tim. 2:9), to do things in an orderly fashion (I Cor. 14:40), and to bring honor to Him (I Cor. 10:31). A standard of dress is one way Wake Christian Academy meets these commands. Research indicates a dress standard creates an environment conducive to learning and fosters self-esteem in students. The purpose in our standard of dress is to establish a high benchmark of modesty, decorum, and academic excellence.

In an effort to standardize and simplify our school dress the following items are permitted. Any deviation from the standard is not acceptable. Students' whose dress does not meet the standard will be provided a change of clothing for the day. The clothing should then be laundered and returned the next school day.

Dress for Special Events

- Homecoming/Fall Festival (as directed by Principals)
- Class events (Sr. Fruit Sale, Jr. BBQ, & Middle School Work days at New Life Camp) (Jeans and Class T-shirt)
- Monthly Dress Down (Spirit Days) (Jeans and WCA T-shirt)

Female		
Kindergarten- 5 th Grade	Standard	Example
Blouse/Tops Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	Fit: Loose Neckline: to the collarbone Sleeves: capped, short, long Sleeveless: may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches Back: cover from top of shoulder to waist Between the neckline and the hemline, no skin may show at any time Shear or camouflage not permitted	
Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear)	The only acceptable writing and printing on clothing are appropriate name brand logos, college, professional sports, witness wear, or WCA wear. Shirts with slogans and verbiage are not permitted. Graphics will be acceptable as long as they do not conflict with Biblical principles.	
Dresses Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015) Skirt	 Fit: loose Length: to the knee Neckline: to the collarbone Sleeves: capped, short, or long Sleeveless: may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches Back: cover from top of shoulder to waist 	
Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	 Fit: loose Leggings: may be worn under skirt or dresses of proper length Camouflage not permitted 	
Pants/Capri pants Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	 Fit: loose Cotton/Twill blend No holes or frays Camouflage not permitted 	
Footwear	 Sandal with heel strap Enclosed shoe No flip flops 	
Hair	Natural colored hairConventional style	
Hats/Headwear	May not be worn in the school building	
Make-up	Make-up is not permitted (natural lip gloss is acceptable)	
Elementary Fitness Day	Loose fitting athletic wear (warm-up suits, sweats, knee length shorts/PE shorts) Loose fitting jeans T-shirts may be worn un-tucked for Fitness Days	

Male Kindergarten- 5 th Grade 3 rd – 5 th Grades	Standard • Collared shirt	Example
Shirts	 Appropriately buttoned Sleeveless shirts are not permitted Camouflage not permitted 	
K- 2 nd Grades Shirts	 Collarless shirts are permitted Sleeveless shirts are not permitted Camouflage not permitted 	
Sweaters Mock Turtlenecks	 Permissible without collared shirt Permissible without collared shirt Camouflage not permitted 	
Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear)	The only acceptable writing and printing on clothing are appropriate name brand logos, college, professional sports, witness wear, or WCA wear. Shirts with slogans and verbiage are not permitted. Graphics will be acceptable as long as they do not conflict with Biblical principles.	
K- 5 th Grades Pants	 Fit: loose Cotton/Twill blend Denim No holes or frays Worn at the waistline Camouflage not permitted 	
Shorts K- 2 nd Grades	 Length: to the knee Camouflage not permitted Sweat pants and wind pants are 	
Footwear	permitted	
Hair	 Combed neatly Should not touch eyebrows, ears, or collar of shirt 	
Hats/Headwear Body Piercing	 May not be worn in buildings during school hours May not wear earrings or similar adornment 	
Elementary Fitness Day K-5 th Grade	 Loose fitting athletic wear (warm-up suits, sweats, knee length shorts/PE shorts) Loose fitting jeans T-shirts may be worn un-tucked for Fitness Days 	

Female Students 6 th – 12 th Grade	Standard	Example
Blouses Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	Fit: loose Neckline: to the collarbone Sleeves: capped, short, or long Sleeveless: may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches Back: cover from top of shoulder to waist Between the neckline and the hemline, no skin may show at any time Shear or camouflage not permitted	
Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear,)	The only acceptable writing and printing on clothing are appropriate name brand logos, college, professional sports, witness wear, or WCA wear. Shirts with slogans and verbiage are not permitted. Graphics will be acceptable as long as they do not conflict with Biblical principles.	
Dresses Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	 Fit: loose Length: to the knee Neckline: to the collarbone Sleeves: capped, short, or long Sleeveless: may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches Back: cover from top of shoulders to waist Camouflage not permitted 	
Skirts Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	 Fit: loose Length: to the knee Slits: must be below the knee Leggings may only be worn under skirts or dresses of proper length Shear or camouflage not permitted 	
Slacks/Capri pants Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	Fit: loose Cotton/Twill Blend No denim jeans No holes or frays Camouflage not permitted	
Undergarments	Proper undergarments must be worn at all times and should be completely hidden	
Footwear	 Enclosed shoe (tennis shoes or deck shoes, etc.) Sandals High heels should not be higher than 2" 	
Hair Body Piercing	Natural colored hair Conventional style	
Hats/Headwear	 No body piercing other than ears May not be worn in buildings during school hours 	
Tattoos	No tattoos	

Male Students 6 th – 12 th Grade	Standard	Example
Shirts	Collared shirtAppropriately buttonedCamouflage not permitted	
Sweaters Mock Turtlenecks	 Permissible without collared shirt Permissible without collared shirt Camouflage not permitted 	
Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear)	The only acceptable writing and printing on clothing are appropriate name brand logos, college, professional sports, witness wear, or WCA wear. Shirts with slogans and verbiage are not permitted. Graphics will be acceptable as long as they do not conflict with Biblical principles.	
9 th – 12 th Grades Slacks Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)	 Fit: Loose Cotton/Twill blend No denim No holes or frays Bell Camouflage not permitted 	
6 th – 8 th Grades Slacks Definition of Term Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015) Footwear	 Fit: Loose Cotton/Twill blend Denim No holes or frays Belt Camouflage not permitted Enclosed shoe with socks No sandals 	
Hair	 Combed neatly Should not touch eyebrows, ears, or collar of shirt Face is to be clean shaven 	
Jewelry Hats/Headwear	 No earrings or body piercings worn on campus or at school related events off campus May not be worn in buildings during school hours 	
Tattoos	No tattoos	