



**WAKE**  
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

# Standard of Dress

**Note: for the 2020-2021 school year, Covid 19 policies and procedures in the Back to School Guide, are in addition to and supersedes any policies contained in this handbook.**

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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)

<p align="center"><b>Female Kindergarten- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Standard</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Example</b></p>
<p><b>Blouse/Tops</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> Loose</li> <li>• <b>Neckline:</b> to the collarbone</li> <li>• <b>Sleeves:</b> capped, short, long</li> <li>• <b>Sleeveless:</b> may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches</li> <li>• <b>Back:</b> cover from top of shoulder to waist</li> <li>• Between the neckline and the hemline, no skin may show at any time</li> <li>• Shear or camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Dresses</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p> <p><b>Skirt</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• <b>Length:</b> to the knee</li> <li>• <b>Neckline:</b> to the collarbone</li> <li>• <b>Sleeves:</b> capped, short, or long</li> <li>• <b>Sleeveless:</b> may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches</li> <li>• <b>Back:</b> cover from top of shoulder to waist</li> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• <b>Leggings:</b> may be worn under skirt or dresses of proper length</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	  
<p><b>Pants/Capri pants</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• Cotton/Twill blend</li> <li>• No holes or frays</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Footwear</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sandal with heel strap</li> <li>• Enclosed shoe</li> <li>• No flip flops</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Hair</b></p> <p><b>Hats/Headwear</b></p> <p><b>Make-up</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natural colored hair</li> <li>• Conventional style</li> <li>• May not be worn in the school building</li> <li>• Make-up is not permitted (natural lip gloss is acceptable)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Elementary Fitness Day</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loose fitting athletic wear (warm-up suits, sweats, knee length shorts/PE shorts)</li> <li>• Loose fitting jeans T-shirts may be worn un-tucked for Fitness Days</li> </ul>	

Male Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Standard	Example
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades</p> <p><b>Shirts</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collared shirt</li> <li>• Appropriately buttoned</li> <li>• Sleeveless shirts are not permitted</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p>K- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades</p> <p><b>Shirts</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collarless shirts are permitted</li> <li>• Sleeveless shirts are not permitted</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sweaters</b></p> <p><b>Mock Turtlenecks</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permissible without collared shirt</li> <li>• Permissible without collared shirt</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Graphics (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	
<p>K- 5<sup>th</sup> Grades</p> <p><b>Pants</b></p> <p><b>Shorts</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• Cotton/Twill blend</li> <li>• Denim</li> <li>• No holes or frays</li> <li>• Worn at the waistline</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> <li>• <b>Length:</b> to the knee</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p>K- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sweat pants and wind pants are permitted</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Footwear</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enclosed shoe with socks</li> <li>• No flip flops</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Hair</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Combed neatly</li> <li>• Should not touch eyebrows, ears, or collar of shirt</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Hats/Headwear</b></p> <p><b>Body Piercing</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May not be worn in buildings during school hours</li> <li>• May not wear earrings or similar adornment</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Elementary Fitness Day K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loose fitting athletic wear (warm-up suits, sweats, knee length shorts/PE shorts)</li> <li>• Loose fitting jeans</li> <li>• T-shirts may be worn un-tucked for Fitness Days</li> </ul>	

<p align="center"><b>Female Students 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Standard</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Example</b></p>
<p><b>Blouses</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• <b>Neckline:</b> to the collarbone</li> <li>• <b>Sleeves:</b> capped, short, or long</li> <li>• <b>Sleeveless:</b> may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches</li> <li>• <b>Back:</b> cover from top of shoulder to waist</li> <li>• Between the neckline and the hemline, no skin may show at any time</li> <li>• Shear or camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Graphics</b> (applies to shirts, sweaters, hoodies with collared shirt, sweat shirts with collared shirt, hats, and head gear, )</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Dresses</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p> <p><b>Skirts</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• <b>Length:</b> to the knee</li> <li>• <b>Neckline:</b> to the collarbone</li> <li>• <b>Sleeves:</b> capped, short, or long</li> <li>• <b>Sleeveless:</b> may be worn if the garment has a shoulder width of 3 inches</li> <li>• <b>Back:</b> cover from top of shoulders to waist</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• <b>Length:</b> to the knee</li> <li>• <b>Slits:</b> must be below the knee</li> <li>• Leggings may only be worn under skirts or dresses of proper length</li> <li>• Shear or camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Slacks/Capri pants</b></p> <p><b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> loose</li> <li>• Cotton/Twill Blend</li> <li>• No denim jeans</li> <li>• No holes or frays</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Undergarments</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper undergarments must be worn at all times and should be completely hidden</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Footwear</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enclosed shoe (tennis shoes or deck shoes, etc.)</li> <li>• Sandals</li> <li>• High heels should not be higher than 2"</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Hair</b></p> <p><b>Body Piercing</b></p> <p><b>Hats/Headwear</b></p> <p><b>Tattoos</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natural colored hair</li> <li>• Conventional style</li> <li>• No body piercing other than ears</li> <li>• May not be worn in buildings during school hours</li> <li>• No tattoos</li> </ul>	

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<p><b>Shirts</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collared shirt</li> <li>• Appropriately buttoned</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sweaters</b>  <b>Mock Turtlenecks</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permissible without collared shirt</li> <li>• Permissible without collared shirt</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
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<p><b>9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades</b> <b>Slacks</b>  <b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> Loose</li> <li>• Cotton/Twill blend</li> <li>• No denim</li> <li>• No holes or frays</li> <li>• Bell</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades</b> <b>Slacks</b>  <b>Definition of Term</b> Loose—of clothing: not fitting close to your body: not tight (Merriam-Webster, 2015)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fit:</b> Loose</li> <li>• Cotton/Twill blend</li> <li>• Denim</li> <li>• No holes or frays</li> <li>• Belt</li> <li>• Camouflage not permitted</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Footwear</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enclosed shoe with socks</li> <li>• No sandals</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Hair</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Combed neatly</li> <li>• Should not touch eyebrows, ears, or collar of shirt</li> <li>• Face is to be clean shaven</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Jewelry</b>  <b>Hats/Headwear</b>  <b>Tattoos</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No earrings or body piercings worn on campus or at school related events off campus</li> <li>• May not be worn in buildings during school hours</li> <li>• No tattoos</li> </ul>	