

Student Dress and Appearance

Seventh through Twelfth Grades

Schaumburg Christian School, as a Christian school, has a testimony to maintain in the community. We ask that all of our students dress in a modest, conservative manner that will always exemplify the highest of Christ-like values. With the desire of being above reproach in the area of outward appearance and in a spirit of conformity to the general direction and intent of our dress standards, we remind all students that school is a center for learning and spiritual growth and as such should not be used as a place for fashion statements.

The administration reserves the right to determine what is acceptable or unacceptable in matters of appearance. Clothing and hairstyles that are outlandish or disruptive to the classroom in design or color coordination will not be permitted.

For Both Boys and Girls:

- Students are asked to follow the school dress code at all school activities on or off campus and when they attend the services of Bethel Baptist Church.
- Students are asked to dress in a conservative manner and not to dress in a way that imitates the rock music culture.
- Dress sweatshirts with no writing and no hood are allowed over a collared shirt.
- Tattoos or synthetic body markings of any kind are not permitted.
- Outerwear may not be faded, stonewashed, or excessively worn. No outerwear is to be worn in the classroom.

For Girls Only:

Special attention will be given to ensure that girls' clothing is loose fitting and that tops are a proper length with a modest neckline. The world's clothing styles are promoting tight tops with wider neck openings and lower necklines, and we will not permit that at Schaumburg Christian School

- Clothing must be conservative in design and color coordination.
- Girls must wear dresses or skirts to school that are at least as long as the bottom of the knee
 - All slits and openings must be sewn to at least the middle of the knee.
 - Jean skirts and dresses must be a solid color – no stonewashed or multi-colored.
 - Slips are required.
- Culottes or shorts may be worn in gym class and to certain designated activities. They should be loose fitting and have the same length requirement as dresses and skirts.
- Tops must have a neckline no lower than three fingers below the collarbone in front with a comparable standard in back.
 - All tops must be loose fitting, buttoned properly, and long enough to keep the midriff covered at all times.
 - Sleeveless tops are not allowed and shoulders must be covered.
 - No writing, pictures, or graphics are allowed on tops.
- No athletic shoes, boots (other than dress boots), shower shoes, beach shoes, flip flops, or shoes that look like these types of shoes will be permitted as acceptable school wear. Shoes or boots may not have a sole more than 1" thick or a heel more than 2" high. Dress shoes, dress sandals, and dress boots are appropriate.
- Girls' hair must be a natural color, clean and neat, with no outlandish or extreme styles. Highlighting or tinting is permitted as long as the hair still has a natural look. Girls' bangs must be cut above the eyebrows or combed to the side.
- Make-up may be used to produce a natural look, but is to be used in moderation. Jewelry may also be worn in moderation.
- Earrings may be worn only in the lobe of the ear (maximum of two matched sets).

For Boys Only:

- Special attention will be given to ensure that boys' pants and shirts are not oversized and that shirts are properly tucked in at all times.
- Baggy or excessively loose-fitting pants or shirts will not be permitted.
- Boys are to wear long pants to school. No blue jeans of any kind are allowed. Any styles of pants that are faded, excessively worn, stonewashed, or multi-colored will not be allowed. Cargo pants, carpenter pants, pants with extra pockets, and sweat pants will not be permitted. Pants with belt loops must be worn with a belt.
- Hair must be its natural color, combed neatly, and tapered smoothly with no shelves, visible lines, grooves, etc. Boys' hair must be cut above the ears and combed so that it is no longer than the middle of the forehead in front. The bottom of the ears may be used as a general guideline for length in back. Shaggy, bushy, or thick hair, even if in accordance with the above requirements, is not acceptable. Sideburns may be no longer than the lower opening of the ear. Students must be clean-shaven.
- Shirts must have a fold-over collar and be tucked in. No writing, pictures, or graphics are allowed on shirts.
- Jewelry, other than watches or rings, is not permitted.
- Dress or casual shoes are required; no athletic shoes or boots of any kind will be allowed. Socks at least high enough to come to the top of the ankle must be worn at all times. (Exception: Solid black athletic shoes are permitted.)