



COVENANT
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

SCHOOL OF LOGIC

Uniform and Dress Code for Students in Grades 7 & 8

At Covenant Christian Academy, we strive to set standards that promote excellence in academics, conduct and appearance. Our dress code is based on the principles of modesty, neatness, and appropriateness. We believe that physical appearance and self-image are closely related, and a dress code encourages good behavior. Student's appearance influences the students' attitude toward themselves, others, their school, and their responsibilities.

Introduction and General Information

Studies have shown that uniform school clothing improves student performance. It also engenders an atmosphere of respect, reduces the distraction of peer fashion pressure, and promotes school spirit. Students are required to be in proper attire during school hours, unless other attire has been approved. Students are required to arrive at school and to leave school in proper attire unless prior permission was obtained from the principal.

Standard Uniform is required on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Chapel Uniform is to be worn on Wednesday.

Spirit Attire is optional, and may be worn on Fridays.

Professional Attire will be required from time to time for various special school events.

*The guideline for all types of dress, during all school events, is that it must be **modest** and not draw undue attention to any one part of the body. Students will be expected to be in proper attire as outlined in the standards of dress. Students not in proper attire will be removed from classes or the school event until such time as they are able to comply with the standards of dress as outlined.*

Standard Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

Lands' End is our official uniform dress code provider. Purchasing all uniform items from Lands' End is strongly recommended to ensure compliance with CCA's dress code policy. Pants, shorts, or skirts purchased from the uniform lines at Gap, Old Navy, and Target must be non-distinguishable from the Lands' End products, in color, cut, length and style. Please note that trendy styles, including but not limited to, skinny-legged, jogger-style or cargo-style pants or shorts, are not allowed.

Approved uniform items can be seen and ordered at www.landsend.com. **Our preferred school number is 900029372 and our logo ID is 0581497K.** Once you find CCA on the Lands End website, only approved uniform items and colors will be displayed. Students are only allowed to wear the styles and colors listed online. While other colors and styles are offered by Lands' End, they should not be purchased for use as a school uniform. Lands' End will embroider the school logo on required items for an additional fee.

Chapel Attire: Wednesday

On Wednesday's students in Grades 7 – 8 will be required to wear:

Boys: Khaki (tan) Pants, White Oxford Shirt with CCA logo, Blue and Gold CCA tie*, black or brown dress shoes with matching black or brown belt.

Girls: Khaki (tan) Pants or skirt, White Oxford Shirt with CCA logo, brown or black dress shoes.

**CCA Blue and Gold Ties can be purchased through the Front Office at CCA.*

For both Boys and Girls

Jean style pants (defined as denim, stretch denim, back pockets sewn on the exterior of the pant, or rivets visible), joggers, cargo pants and shorts do not meet the expectation of chapel attire.

Spirit Wear may NOT be worn over chapel attire on chapel days.

Spirit Attire (Optional): Friday

Students in grades 7 and 8 may participate in Spirit Day Fridays by wearing any official CCA Spirit wear. Students may wear pants, jeans or shorts that are clean and neat, without tears or holes. Pants may not be unnaturally tight-fitting. Students may wear T-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, etc. from a CCA sports team, club, musical group, theatre production, etc. No leisure, lounge, or exercise clothing (warm-ups, wind suits, etc.) are to be worn. No house slippers or rubber beach sandals are to be worn. Any CCA jacket or sweatshirt may be worn as outerwear, but the shirt underneath must meet the shirt requirements of Spirit Fridays. Students that do not wish to participate in Spirit Fridays should default to the Standard Uniform code.

Professional Attire: As Requested

There are times in the life of a school when more professional attire will be expected. Events such as school presentations, serving as a representative of CCA at an admissions or outside event, where a higher level of dress is appropriate. In such cases, a student may be asked to meet the Professional Attire guidelines listed below.

Girls may wear a dress, or a skirt or dress slacks, with a blouse and/or sweater.

- Skirts and dresses should be modest. The length must be no more than three inches above the knee.
- Dresses or blouses with shoulder straps less than 3" wide cannot be worn without a jacket or over blouse.
- Camisoles, shirts, or tanks, if worn under a blouse, must not be lower than 5" below the neck.

Boys should wear dress pants or slacks, shirts with collars, and ties.

- Dress Jackets/Blazers for boys are optional, but at times may be required.
- Shirts must remain tucked in all day.
- An appropriate dress belt should be worn.

For both Boys and Girls: Jean style pants (defined as denim, stretch denim, back pockets sewn on the exterior of the pant, or rivets visible), joggers, cargo pants and shorts do not meet the expectation of professional attire.

Boys and Girls should wear appropriate leather dress shoes, not flip flops, sneakers, or other casual footwear.

OUTERWEAR

Uniform outerwear items listed on landsend.com may be worn over approved school uniforms. A student may also wear official CCA Spirit Wear over the Standard Uniform during the academic day. No Spirit Wear may be worn on Chapel Attire days. Non-uniform outerwear will not be allowed during the academic day. Please note, if students are wearing any of these items, they must be dressed in an approved uniform shirt underneath.

Additional Uniform Guidelines

Under the Uniform: Long sleeve t-shirts or turtlenecks of any color may not be worn under short sleeve uniform polos. If students are cold, they should wear a long sleeve shirt, an approved sweater or an approved fleece over short sleeve polos. Girls are encouraged to wear bike shorts under dresses and skirts. Girls must wear white or flesh colored undergarments under white, or light colored, tops. Leggings may only be worn under a dress, shorts or skirt. Students may not wear T-shirts with logos that are visible underneath uniform shirts.

Over the Uniform: Official CCA Spirit wear (sweatshirts, outerwear, jackets, etc.) may be worn over a Uniform shirt during the academic day. *Spirit Wear may not be worn over Chapel Attire on Wednesdays.*

Gym shorts or sweatpants are not considered part of the Standard Uniform.

Pants and shorts are to be clean and neat, hemmed and without tears or holes.

Shoes: While there is no uniform footwear, students should wear comfortable dress shoes, casual shoes or sneakers. Students may not wear open-toed sandals, beach sandals (flip flops), Crocs, work boots, or impractical styles including, but not limited to, high heels, open clogs or platform shoes.

Non-CCA Jackets are not to be worn during the academic day.

Hats and bandanas may not be worn inside the school building.

Bathing Suits: At a CCA sponsored event where swimsuits are allowed, girls are required to wear modest one-piece bathing suits or tankini's and boys may not wear "Speedo style" bathing suits.

Body Embellishments: Gauges, and facial piercings (other than traditional ear piercings) are prohibited.

Any clothing items, backpacks, notebooks, or related items with statements, signs or symbols that are inappropriate or offensive will not be permitted.

Note to Parents

We want to prevent the dress code from becoming a major issue at Covenant Christian Academy. Even though we readily acknowledge that much of the dress code is mere institutional preference, it is not optional. Students are expected to comply with the code, and parents are expected to monitor compliance before their children leave home. We are not here to be "clothes police." It is inappropriate that complying students, teachers, or principals be distracted from the educational process, due to someone failing in his or her commitment to follow the code. Thank you for your help and cooperation.