

## STUDENT DRESS CODE

Hope Christian Academy has an important testimony to maintain in the community. Even though God looks at the inward man, the world looks at the outward appearance. There is clear Biblical teaching on the difference between the sexes (1 Samuel 16:7), therefore it is necessary that everyone associated with HCA be above reproach in the matter of outward appearance.

- The school's dress standards should be enforced at all school activities unless the students' parents are notified of a change in advance of the activity.
- School authorities will be the final authority on whether dress meets school standards.
- HCA reserves the right to make rulings on any new fads or changes in style that may occur. Parents, too, should observe the school dress standards when attending school functions.
- A major principle underlying all standards of dress is modesty. This obviously applies to common decency, but it also involves calling undue attention to oneself. Bizarre dress that makes a person a spectacle is as inappropriate for Christian dress as clothing that calls inappropriate attention to the body.

### GIRLS:

1. Modest shirts, polo or tee shirt, may be monogrammed (HCA logo or text, Polo, Under Armor, etc.). No words, pictures, or graphics \*Please see example below.
2. Modest pants
3. Dresses of modest length (to the knee)
4. Skirts and shorts of modest fit and length (to the knee)
5. Shorts are to be worn only during the months of May through September.

### BOYS:

1. Modest shirts, polo or tee shirt or collared, may be monogrammed (HCA logo or text, Polo, Under Armor, etc.). No words, pictures, or graphics \*Please see example below.
2. Modest pants
3. Shorts are permitted if of modest fit and length (to the knee)
4. Shorts are to be worn only during the months of May through September.

A copy of this policy is available in the office.



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