

STUDENT DRESS AND APPEARANCE

General Guidelines

Research has shown that a school dress code helps to instill a sense of pride and discipline in students and helps to promote identification with the school community. On a practical level, parents have less pressure to shop for expensive, varied wardrobes for their children.

Furthermore, a school dress code simplifies the daily decision for parent or child on what to wear to school. This will be a time-saving and conflict-avoiding benefit. The administration of Asheville-Pisgah Christian School trusts that for these reasons, the school dress code will prove to be a blessing to your child(ren) and family.

- There should be no embroidery, logos, name brands, slogans or symbols exposed on any clothes, with the exception of shoes.
- Skirts, skorts, and shorts are allowed throughout the year. They must be to the top of the knee. It is recommended that gym shorts be worn underneath all dresses and skirts. Pre-K thru 2nd grade students are required to wear shorts underneath skirts or dresses.
- APCS Class t-shirts may be worn in place of dress code shirt on Friday.
- School sweatshirts can be worn over polo shirts for warmth. These can be ordered from the APCS website twice a year. Solid color sweaters may be worn as well. No hoodies, printed sweatshirts or multicolor sweaters.
- On designated spirit days students will be allowed to wear modest themed clothing. See calendar for dates.
- Footwear is required at all times. Shoes must fully enclose the foot including closed toe and closed heel. Laces should be laced and tied. Socks, stockings, or tights must be worn at all times. PreK and K students must wear Velcro tennis type shoes that stay on feet and can be removed and put on by the student.
- Hair must be neat and well-groomed, kept out of face, of a natural color, and not extreme in style.
- All types of necklaces, rings, earrings, bracelets (bracelets are anything worn around the wrist) – including charm style watch bands and ornamental key chains, etc... are not to be worn during school or at any school sponsored function. Exceptions are medical alert tags and watches.
- Only natural-looking make-up and clear nail polish is to be worn.
- On Spirit Days students may wear appropriate jeans with their outfits.

Some examples of students following the dress code



ITEM	COLOR	SPECIFICS
Tops	Any solid color	-Standard plain front knit polo with buttons, turtleneck or oxford (peter pan collar acceptable) – long or short sleeved -Only top button may be undone shirts must be of length to cover top button of pants
Dresses	Any Solid color Plaid (hunter green/navy)	uniform style dress
Long sleeve knit shirt worn underneath short sleeve polo	White or navy	Visible undershirts must be tucked in and long sleeved
Bottoms Leggings	Navy Blue True Khaki Plaid (hunter green/navy)	-Skirts, skorts, or shorts <u>MUST</u> be to top of knee - <u>NO</u> denim, cargo style, carpenter style loops, bells, baggies, flares, hip-huggers, skinny jeans, jeggings, stretch pants and sweat pants
Belts	Black, navy blue or brown Solid color with plain buckle	<u>NO</u> logos, pictures, studs or oversized buckles
Jumpers	Black Navy Blue True Khaki Plaid (hunter green/navy)	Uniform shirt must be worn underneath

Compliance with Dress Code

Parents and students are responsible for ensuring that they are in compliance with the school dress code as of the first day of school. Non-compliance will result in the following actions:

1. First Dress code violation: The student will be sent to the office. Clothes provided by school may be worn or the parent can be asked to bring dress code clothing. Student will not return to the classroom until the problem is remedied.
2. Second Dress Code violation: A form explaining the infraction will be sent home, to be signed by the parent and returned to school the following day. The student will not be allowed in the classroom until the form is returned.
3. Third Dress Code violation: Parents will be called and asked to participate in a solution.