

ELEM Dress Code

Students are expected to comply with the dress code and parents are expected to monitor compliance before their children leave home. **Final authority regarding dress code interpretation rests with the administration and is not subject to appeal.**

Our ultimate goal is to focus on the heart of our students. To maintain a biblical emphasis and create an orderly learning environment, a student dress code has been established. It has three guiding principles: safety, modesty, and appropriateness for the event. Within these guiding principles, our dress code encourages students to show their originality and express who they are.

Parents will be notified of dress code infractions and asked to bring dress code compliant attire for their student(s); if proper attire can't be brought the student will immediately be assigned detention. If clothing can be brought, after five infractions the student will serve a detention. All dress code violations will receive 5 demerits. Please partner with us by reviewing your student's dress before he/she leaves home.

Clothing with logos or slogans that push the envelope or are questionable are NOT permitted.

Unfortunately, many brand names come up with slogans that push the envelope of appropriateness (such as a hunting clothing line with the slogan "Bucked Up" on it as an example). These items are not permitted to be worn at school. If you are unsure of the appropriateness, please discuss this with the elementary principal prior to wearing the shirt in question.

Please see chart on page 2.

ELEMENTARY	Approved	NOT Approved
Hats	The following may be worn OUTSIDE ONLY : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beanies (in cold weather) (OCA wear or plain) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All other hats or head coverings are not permitted.
Hair (Females)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hair must be natural coloring and kept out of the eyes 	
Hair (Males)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural color Dreads are permitted if they are a custom of the student's culture and are not longer than eyebrows or collar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All other hairstyles are not permitted.
Jewelry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earrings - females only (administration can limit the number of earrings allowed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No bars/gauges No body piercings
Belts (5 days of a week)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optional for K5 and 1st grade students Students in 2nd - 5th grade must have belt if there are belt loops on pants (traditional belts only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No non- traditional belt styles
Uniform Shirts (Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official OCA polos ONLY (any solid colors only) Polos must be tucked in. 2024-2025 polo colors will be red, black, or grey ONLY. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No polos with stripes/ patterns / graphics All shirts other than official OCA polos are not permitted.
Uniform Pants/Shorts (Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uniform pants (khaki or black in color) boot-cut, straight-leg, cargo style only Uniform style pants with full elastic waistbands are permitted for K5-5th grade Uniform style shorts; khaki or black Shorts must be Bermuda length. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All other types of pants or shorts are not permitted. No skorts No jumpers
Spirit Days (Thursday & Friday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Polos (official OCA wear only) T-shirts (official OCA wear only) T-shirts must be tucked in. Plain denim jeans or shorts (boot-cut or straight-leg styles only) 	
Thursday T-shirt Day (optional pre-purchase required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May wear their choice of shirt as long as the shirt meets academy approval. All shirts must be tucked in. Plain denim jeans or Bermuda-style length shorts without frays, tears, patches, or holes. 	
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must wear sneakers or tennis shoes 	
Outerwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ONLY OCA wear (this includes all jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies, pull-overs, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All outerwear other than official OCA outerwear is not permitted.
Dresses or skirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knee length dresses or skirts may ONLY be worn for special occasions announced by administration 	
NUT DAY (No Uniform Today)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will have the opportunity to earn no uniform days throughout the school year. The dress code for NUT days will be jeans (or jean shorts) and an appropriate t-shirt of their choice. 	