

CANAAN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

DRESS CODE

BOYS' ATTIRE: K5 THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE

Shirts: Pullover (golf-type) shirts with collars and buttons; dress shirts with collars and buttons down the front; **and** turtlenecks (no mock turtlenecks) may be worn. Only the top button may remain unfastened. **If sweaters are worn, they must be over a collared shirt.** Shirts need to be tucked in throughout the day. The following shirts are not permitted: T-shirts, long sleeved or short-sleeved, denim, denim-look shirts, and sweatshirts. Fleece that is designed as an in-door garment without hoods is acceptable.

Pants: Dress pants, dress corduroys, or dress khaki-type pants may be worn. If the pants have belt loops, belts must be worn. Suspenders are permitted. Cargo pants, carpenter pants and jeans are not permitted.

Shoes: Non-marking dress shoes, dress boots, casual, and/or tennis shoes of one basic color with a co-ordinating side stripe. Tennis shoes may not be bright or neon in color. Hiking boots or shoes, work boots or shoes, and mountain boots are not permitted. Shoes with shoe strings must be tied. Socks are to be worn with shoes.

Hair: Traditional, conservative hair cut styles are to be worn. Hair must be off the collar and off the ears, away from the eyebrows and tapered smoothly in the back. Turtle tops, skin heads, and letters, numbers, etc. cut into the hair are unacceptable. Boys are to maintain a color of hair consistent with their hair's natural color. Sideburns are permitted to the bottom of the ear. Beards and mustaches are not permitted. **Young men shall be clean-shaven,daily, if needed.**

Decorative

Items: Do not wear pins, badges, rings, watchbands, bracelets, etc. which are not consistent with a good Christian testimony. Piercing of any part of the body is not permitted. Earrings and necklaces are not to be worn. Tattoos are prohibited.

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Dresses: Girls are to wear dresses or skirts during the school day and for school functions unless otherwise specified by the Principal. Skirt length is to be to the bottom of the knee standing or sitting. Skirts with slits (either front, side, or back) must be pinned or sewn so that the slit does not go above the knee. Denim, denim-look, cargo skirts, and leather dresses/skirts are not permitted.

Blouses/shirts: Low-cut, immodest necklines (front and back) are not permitted and the material in the blouses need to be opaque rather than sheer. A good guideline is that tops should be no more than three fingers width below the clavicle. Blouses are not to be tight or form-fitting. Blouses with buttons may have only the top button open. They must have at least a cap sleeve (cover the shoulders) and must be long enough to tuck into the skirt. No crop tops or midriff length blouses are permitted. No T-shirts or denim-look blouses are allowed. Loose fitting (but not off the shoulder) pull-over, cardigan, and hooded sweaters may be worn. **Sweat shirts are not permitted.** Shirts layered over other shirts and left open and untucked are not permitted. Neckties that are like those worn by boys with dress shirts are not permitted. Fleece that is designed as an in-door garment and light-weight windbreakers are acceptable.

Foot Apparel: Shoes or dress sandals must be worn at all times, hose and socks are optional. . Clean, low-cut sneakers, casual, and/or sneaker-like shoes with a sock, footie or hose are acceptable. Flip-flops are not permitted. Dress boots may be worn, but hiking boots, mountain boots, and work boots are not permitted

Make-up: Make-up, modestly applied, will be allowed in secondary grades only. Girls that wear make-up are to use it to enhance their natural appearance rather than substantially alter it. This eliminates the use of odd colored lipstick or other fads. Tattoos are prohibited. Nail polish in good taste is permitted. **Elementary girls may wear a single, neutral shade of fingernail polish.**

Jewelry: All grade levels may wear simple jewelry. Girls may have a **single earring** in each ear lobe, and no other parts of the body are to be pierced.

Hair: The length of a girl's hair is to be obviously longer than a boy's. Trendy styles and unnatural hair color are not permitted. (i.e. purple, blue, pink, etc.)