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## Dress Code

Students coming to school improperly dressed will have their parent notified and proper clothing brought in from home. Students will not be admitted to classes until they conform to the above standards. Appropriate school dress is required at all school functions unless otherwise specified.

**K2-K4 students** do not have a dress code or required uniform, but all clothing items are required to adhere to the Pop/Rock Culture Policy found in the FOEC handbook.

### **Lengths & Other Dress Code Standards for All K5-G12 Students**

- Must adhere to the Rock-Pop Culture policy at all times.
- Shorts (& skorts for girls), may not be more than 4 inches above the top of the knee in length.
- A belt must be worn if the garment has belt loops.
- Garments such as coats, dress jackets and sweaters may only be worn in the classroom if the student is cold and the outer garment is neat, clean, not baggy or tight and does not have any writing or characters/emblems, etc. Additionally all items worn under the garment must meet dress code/uniform standards.
- Faddish hairstyles/hair colors/etc. are not permitted.
- No jeans or cargo pants styles which includes outside seams with double stitching along the leg and across the back and patch pockets on the back or legs.
- No tight fitting clothing that conforms to or adheres snugly to the body's curvatures (such as spandex and leggings) is permitted unless it is covered by a skirt, dress, jumper or shorts.
- For girls: low-cut shirts, blouses and dresses are not permitted (no part of the collar line may fall more than 2" below the collarbone) and blouses and shirts must fall below the waistline sufficiently enough to cover the midriff and small of the back when bending over or reaching up.

### **Uniform Code for K5 through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

(Must also adhere to Lengths & Other Dress Code Standards stated above)

#### Acceptable Uniform colors are as follows:

- Shirts, blouses, turtleneck shirts, and sweaters: Any solid color
- Pants, shorts, skirts, jumpers, Capri pants and skorts: Navy blue, black or khaki. Only uniform brand items are permitted.

#### Acceptable uniforms are as follows:

##### Boys

- Short or long sleeve oxford or polo uniform shirts, turtle neck shirts or sweaters and uniform trousers or shorts. (no jeans or cargo pants styles which includes outside seams with double stitching along the leg and across the back and patch pockets on the back or legs).
- Only dress & casual dress pants are permitted & must be fitted at the natural waist (not on the hips) and must not sag in the buttocks. Only collard and casual dress shirts are permitted (no t-shirt styles allowed) and must be tucked in.

- Hair cuts must be neatly trimmed and off the ears and must not fall below the top of the collar. Braids must not fall below the bottom of the collar.
- Jewelry for boys: No more than one earring may be worn in each ear. Finger rings are limited to one for each hand. Neck chains, wrist and ankle bracelets are limited to one per item and must not draw attention to the individual. Pocket chains are not permitted.

#### Girls

- Short or long sleeve oxford or polo shirts, or Peter Pan uniform blouses, turtle neck shirts or sweaters and jumpers, skirts, skorts, pants, Capri pants or shorts.
- Skirts, dresses, and jumpers may not be more than 2 inches above the top of the knee in length. If a skirt or dress has a slit in the hem, the slit must not extend higher than the required dress length.
- Jewelry for girls: No more than two earrings may be worn in each ear. Finger rings are limited to one for each hand. Necklaces, wrist and ankle bracelets are limited to one per item and must not draw attention to the individual. Toe rings are not permitted.

#### Footwear

You are responsible for the safety of your child in regards to their footwear. Please remember children go up and down the steps and play outside as part of their daily routine and some sandals, large heeled shoes and/or slip-on shoes can be dangerous for these types of activities. Therefore, each student must have a pair of gym shoes or tennis shoes at school for recess and PE times if they have not worn them to school that day.

#### Free Day

K5-12<sup>th</sup> grade students of FOEC are given a few days where they are free to wear regular street clothes such as jeans and t-shirts. Free days are on Fridays, class party days and fall/Christmas picture days. However all clothing must adhere to uniform & dress code length and type standards, as well as the Pop/Rock Culture Policy found in the FOEC Handbook.

**Body piercing and tattoos: Any tattoo must be covered. The only approved body piercing location is in the ears.**

#### **Pop/Rock Culture Policy**

We realize many students have favorite characters (both fictional and non-fictional) that are a result of the influences of TV, Music, Movies or Books. However, we believe that there are certain influences that are not conducive to either our academic, spiritual or disciplined atmosphere. We do not consider these items to be “sin”, but it is our goal to enhance, polish and pour into your most valuable treasure (your child), therefore we believe that it is of no educational or spiritual benefit to have some of the “Pop-Culture” favorites influencing the school.

In the past we have made an attempt to specify which kinds of saying and characters were not acceptable and which were acceptable. However, with the ever changing culture and increased secularization of our children, this has become increasingly more difficult. Therefore, all backpacks, school supplies, clothing, coats, shoes and other accessories must not bear any characters, persons, sayings or logos unless they are Christian. Manufacturer’s tags or logos (such as Elmer’s glue, or Eastport) are acceptable on backpacks and school supplies, but not on clothing items. This includes clothing worn on Free Fridays.