

FCS SECONDARY CAMPUS DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

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GOALS OF DRESS CODE

An important goal of a dress code is to teach young people that in life, different types of dress are appropriate for different occasions and/or environments. Fremont Christian School (FCS) parents, guardians, and students accept the decision of FCS administration as final in matters of school policies and procedures, including the dress code which is established for a high school college preparatory environment. To that end, students at FCS are expected to be clean and neat in their personal appearance, observing standards of modesty, moderation, and good taste. "Modesty in dress" at FCS requires that students refrain from wearing such items as tight-fitting, body-hugging, revealing, sagging, or extremely baggy clothing, which displays visible cleavage, bare midriffs, undergarments, etc. Clothing items which distract from Fremont Christian School's academic environment are also prohibited. Since the parent, guardian, or homestay host is the primary educator of the student, it is the adult's responsibility to ensure that the student is in correct dress code on a daily basis while on campus and at school functions.

The school reserves the right to regulate against upcoming fads or fashions that reflect negatively on the school and/or student. Interpretation and decisions in matters pertaining to dress code are necessary; thus FCS administration is the final and sole authority of what is, or is not, acceptable for students while they are representing Fremont Christian.

Students are expected to remain in dress code while on campus and when attending all FCS events. These events include but are not limited to the following: athletic competitions, social events, performing arts events, formal ceremonies, and field trips, etc., unless explicitly directed otherwise by FCS administration.

IF A CLOTHING ITEM IS NOT ADDRESSED IN THE INFORMATION BELOW, ASSUME IT IS NOT ALLOWED.
YOU MAY CHECK AN ITEM WITH AN ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE WEARING THE ITEM TO SCHOOL

SCHOOL UNIFORM DRESS CODE

Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black or white polo shirts purchased from an online or local uniform retailer • Current year, approved FCS uniform, USB, and USSE T-shirts • Current year, club shirts/sweatshirts (approved by the principal) are allowed on Club days as noted in the Daily Bulletin • Approved Senior class t-shirts/sweatshirts may be worn every day.
Pants/Shorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants/shorts must fit properly, body hugging or oversized pants may not be worn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants/shorts must be made of uniform-style materials like cotton twill. Materials like fleece, polyester, nylon, denim, and other casual or sport fabrics may not be worn. • Acceptable colors: khaki (tan) or black • Shorts must be no more than 4" above the knee when in a kneeling position • Pants/shorts must be hemmed properly with no holes and fraying
Skirts/Skort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform skirt or skort must fit properly, body hugging skirts may not be worn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skirts/skort must be made of uniform-style materials like cotton twill. Materials like fleece, polyester, nylon, denim, leather, and other casual or sport fabrics may not be worn. • Acceptable colors: khaki(tan) or black • Straight or pleated uniform style • All skirts/skort must be no more than 4" above the knee when in a kneeling position.
Sweatshirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCS uniform sweatshirts are to be purchased through the school office.
Jackets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved FCS Letter jacket • Black or black/grey jackets (small logos/details in other colors are acceptable) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sweatshirts (hoodies) with zippers or pullovers are not considered jackets!
Layered Clothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School uniform items may be layered • Plain white or black, long sleeved shirts with no hoods may be worn under uniform shirts
Hats Headcoverings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School beanies with the FCS logo are allowed to be worn outside only and may be purchased in the school office • Uniform sweatshirt hoods may be worn only outdoors • No other head coverings are allowed (i.e. no bandannas, no hats, no scarves, no baseball hats) • Outerwear with hoods: Hoods may not be worn in class
PE Uniforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required for students in grades 7-12 taking a PE class on campus • PE Uniforms are purchased through the secondary office

UNIFORM AND SPECIAL DRESS ACCESSORIES GUIDELINES

In addition to the Fremont Christian School Uniform or Special Dress requirements, the following Uniform and Special Dress Accessories Guidelines must also be followed.

The following are considered unacceptable for girls and boys at all times unless notified otherwise:

- Tattoos (permanent, temporary, or henna) and any writing on skin
- Any religious dress or religious symbols on accessories that are not representative of either the FCS or Harbor Light Church Statement of Faith.
- Any accessories that advertise or promote which have not been pre-approved by the Head of School.

	Girls	Boys
Jewelry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No New Age, Occult, mystical or skull accessories • Earrings no more than 7 total and no flesh tunnels type or gauges. • No more than 5 total bracelets, 5 total necklaces, and 5 total rings. • No facial or body piercing except girl's pierced ears • No spiked or stud style jewelry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No New Age, Occult, mystical or skull accessories • No earrings • No more than 5 total bracelets, 5 total necklaces, and 5 total rings. • No facial or body piercings including gauges and flesh tunnels • No spiked or stud-style jewelry
Hair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No radical haircuts, striping or designing by shaving • Subtle natural colors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be neat, clean, and well-groomed in appearance, bangs out of the eyes, back/ear length no longer than top of shoulders/bottom of neck. • No radical haircuts, striping or designing by shaving • Subtle natural colors • Thin, plain headbands or elastic bands may be used to keep hair in the neat, well-groomed style. • Students may not grow facial hair that results in beards, mustaches, or sideburns below the ear. Students are expected to shave as needed to maintain a neat, clean appearance. Because a "neat, clean appearance" is a subjective standard, it is expected that students will cooperate with all school decisions regarding facial hair. • Hair Donation Programs: See additional information
Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoes are to have a back or back strap • Shoes without backs or back strap, flip flops, sport slides, slippers, or shower sandals are never acceptable 	
Hats/Headcoverings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from School Uniform Dress Code 	
Make up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior High: very little make-up • High School: no extreme make-up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

STUDENT SPECIAL DRESS GUIDELINES

Days are announced in the Daily Bulletin

These guidelines are for any on-campus or off-campus events sponsored by FCS.

Pants/Shorts Skirts/Skort – Girls only	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants which fall at or below the knee may be worn (<i>i.e. capris or cropped pants, athletic wear that falls below the knee, or other bottoms that fall below the knee</i>) • Only uniform shorts (no shorter than 4" from the knee) may be worn on free dress days. • Jeans/pants must be hemmed, without holes or fraying • Form-fitting or body hugging styles are not allowed. • Poly-blend athletic training or track pants without holes or frayed hems • No Pajama bottoms, fleece type pants/sweats, etc. are allowed • All regular uniform guidelines for fit apply
Shirts/ Tops	Boys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T-shirt okay with the following exceptions: no plain white, no objectionable pictures, writings or secular music groups • No tanks, muscle shirts, PE tops, or bare midriffs
	Girls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T-shirts - same as boys • Sleeveless shirts okay (sleeveless means fabric covers shoulder completely and does not have a large opening showing undergarments.) • No see-through material shirts/sweaters (mesh, lace, etc.) even if wearing a tank-top underneath • No tanks, bare midriffs, or croptops
Shoes	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines
Jewelry	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines
Hair/Hats/Head Coverings	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Guidelines
Make up	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines

STUDENT FORMAL DRESS GUIDELINES

These guidelines are for Homecoming, Prom, or other formal events sponsored for high school students by FCS.

Girls	Dresses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No revealing necklines, sides or backs (below mid-point/traditional bra-line), i.e. cannot be suggestive, low-cut in front/back/sides or with immodest mesh or see through material. Further, undergarments (including a bra) must be worn with all attire. • No dress or skirt length shorter than 4 inches above the knee when hands are raised above the head. • No dress or skirt should be tight or form fitting so as to be immodest. • Please note that your dress should fit these guidelines at all times during the evening, especially during dancing. Ensure that modesty will be accommodated at all times. Have alterations done so that straps are not constantly falling, tops are not riding up to reveal stomachs, and that bodices fit appropriately at all times. Show your dress to an administrator in advance if you have any concern about its appropriateness.
Boys	Formal Attire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nice suits with ties or tuxedos are acceptable. Casual dress, i.e. jeans, baggy attire, is inappropriate. • Hair and jewelry must conform to Uniform guidelines.
Shoes	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines
Jewelry	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines
Hair/Hats/Head Coverings	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Guidelines
Make up	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change from that stated in Uniform Accessories Guidelines

HAIR DONATION PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR MALE STUDENTS

A male student may wish to donate hair to a non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged people who are suffering from long-term medical hair loss. Because participating hair donors must grow their hair to a minimum length of 10 inches and FCS male students must maintain a specific hair style with length limits, participation in any donor program seems to present a conflict.

However the school understands a male student's compassionate and sincere desire to serve others and helps those in need. At the same time, students cannot abuse the privilege of donor participation to circumvent the hair code. As a result, any male student who expresses a desire to participate in a hair donor program must comply with all of the following conditions:

1. Students must submit a signed note from a parent/homestay host or legal guardian to the Vice-Principal before the third week of every school year for approval.
2. The length of the student's hair must be a minimum of 5 inches by the third week of the school year.
3. Participation is limited to grades 6-11.
4. Students must keep their hair well-groomed, with hair longer than top of shoulders/bottom of neck banded close to the head and tucked under the collar.

A student's participation can be suspended for any of the following reasons and additional discipline consequences may be deemed necessary.

1. Failure to cut hair before the last week of class.
2. Failure to present proof of hair donation to Vice-Principal.
3. Failure to keep hair groomed properly.

These regulations are present to allow students the opportunity to serve others in need without compromising the spirit behind the existing dress code guidelines. The secondary campus will continue to allow this service opportunity as long as the privilege is not abused.