

## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRESS CODE**

Christians are admonished by Scripture to dress modestly to the glorification of God and avoid showiness in their appearance (I Corinthians 10:31, I Peter 3:3-4). In accordance with these principles, all students at CLA are expected to be neatly attired and modest in appearance, not bringing undue attention to themselves through their appearance. The students dress and overall appearance should positively reflect on their school as ambassadors of Christian Life Academy.

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRESS CODE - GENERAL**

**Outerwear:** Sweatshirts and sweaters must be a solid school color - gray, or navy. Sweatshirts and sweaters may be plain or monogrammed with the CLA emblem only as provided by the approved uniform stores.

Overcoats for cold weather days may be any color of choice, but they must be stored in the classroom during the school day. Students may not wear heavy overcoats in the classroom.

Outerwear items such as raincoats, jackets and sweaters should be clearly labeled with the child's full name.

**Shoes:** Athletic shoes with a back may be worn in school colors - white, gray, or navy. Shoe strings must complement the shoe in color and style.

**Socks:** Socks must be worn and be visible above top of shoe.

### **Casual Days:**

**Jeans:** solid color or shorts, no shorter than 3 inches above knees

**Shirts:** field trip shirts, CLA T-shirts, knit casual shirts (shoulders must be covered; no T-shirts with advertisements, characters, heroes, etc.)

**Shoes:** closed tennis shoes only

**Special Dress Days:** For certain special events, students may be allowed, requested or directed to "dress up". This implies an expectation of "Sunday best".

**Girls:** dresses, skirts/blouses or appropriate pants outfits with dressy shoes

**Boys:** nice slacks, button-up or polo style shirts, tucked in with a belt and appropriate non-athletic shoes. Jackets and ties are optional for boys depending on the occasion.

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GIRLS' DRESS CODE**

Uniform dress is required everyday unless notified of a special or alternative dress occasion. Options are provided below and approved vendors for the CLA uniform are noted at the end of the dress code section.

JUMPER: Navy blue/white/gray plaid jumper purchased from *Inka's Uniforms*. Jumpers should be worn with a white uniform blouse purchased from our uniform providers.

SHORTS: Navy blue/white/gray plaid shorts purchased from *Inka's Uniforms*.

**JUMPERS and SHORTS SHOULD BE NO SHORTER THAN 3 INCHES FROM THE FLOOR WHEN KNEELING.**

PANTS: Navy blue pants purchased from our uniform providers. Girls' pants must be well-fitting and not "hip-hugger" style.

#### **SHIRTS:**

- White polo-style shirt with the CLA emblem purchased from our uniform providers. Polo-style shirts must be tucked in unless a "banded" hem is added to the shirt by the uniform store.
- White uniform blouse purchased from our uniform providers. Blouses may be hemmed at the uniform store into an "over-blouse" style that does not have to be tucked in. Non-hemmed blouses must be tucked in.

JEWELRY: Small gold or silver jewelry will be allowed but not encouraged. Earrings should not be "dangles" nor should earring loops be larger than the size of the child's thumbnail. Double piercing earrings are not allowed.

HAIR ORNAMENTS: Extreme hairstyles or unnatural hair colors are unacceptable. Ribbons, barrettes, and other hair adornment must be appropriate for school wear and color-coordinated with the school uniform -white, gray, or navy.

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOYS' DRESS CODE**

PANTS: Navy blue pants purchased from our uniform providers. Boys' pants must be well-fitting and will not be allowed to "sag" or be worn in a manner in which to reveal undergarments.

SHORTS: Navy blue shorts purchased from our uniform providers.

BELTS: A belt must be worn with the uniform pants and shorts.\* Belts must be plain brown, black or navy blue and must not have a large or novelty buckle.

SHIRTS: Gray polo-style with the CLA emblem purchased from our uniform providers. Shirts must be tucked in.

HAIR STYLES: Haircuts should be uniform (blended) in length. Boys' hair should not be longer than mid-ear, be over the eyes, or below the collar. Extreme hairstyles including "tails", braids, or unnatural hair colors are unacceptable. Hair should be well groomed. Hats and caps are not allowed.

\*Boys in Pre-school, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten may wear elastic waist shorts available from our uniform providers. Elastic waist shorts do not require that a belt be worn.