

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL DRESS CODE

In an effort to (a) accommodate our students, (b) to assist our families, and (c) maintain adequate and appropriate uniformity, the following Dress Code applies for the 2008-2009 school year.

The purpose of the uniform dress code is to clarify a standard of appearance that reflects biblical principles of modesty, appropriateness, gender distinctiveness, and stewardship which will encourage students to bring glory to God (I Corinthians 10:31). There are several other important reasons why a uniform is required at Heritage Christian School: 1. To dispense with competition due to outward appearance and affluence. 2. To de-emphasize outward appearance and stress, in its place, the need for inner beauty and character development. 3. To limit the distractions and focus on learning. 4. To enhance school spirit. 5. To allow students to demonstrate a submission to authorities placed over them.

Popular culture mandates that we bow to fashion. It insists that we keep up with rapidly changing trends. At Heritage Christian School, we are training students to think differently about dress. By wearing a simple uniform, students step out of popular culture and into a world of serious learning. With limited outward distinctions, students identify with the student body and respect one another for who they are in Christ.

The cooperation of the student and the parent is necessary in maintaining the standards of the uniform dress code. **Adherence to the Uniform Dress Code is a family responsibility.** Dress code violations will be recorded. Repeated violations will result in disciplinary action. **Parents shall assume this important responsibility and leave the school free to focus on its primary goal - building Godly character and academic competence.**

GENERAL GUIDELINES

No Brand Name is to appear anywhere on any article of Uniform clothing.

Fit is Important for comfort as well as modesty. (not too loose/baggy or tight/clingy)

Only Kindergartners are allowed to wear pants/shorts with fully elasticized waistbands that have no belt loops.

Belts must be fully visible and always worn with separates that have belt loops.

Shirts must always be worn tucked in with collars down.

Footwear should complement the uniform, in school or neutral colors in good condition. Students K -6th may not wear shoes without backstrap. Flip-flops and/or beach/pool style shoes are not acceptable uniform footwear. Heels are limited to max height of 2 inches.

Heely's and other wheeled-type shoes are not permitted

COLORS: Pants: Dark Navy, Dark or Putty Khaki (not light or Stone)

Separates: Dark Navy, Burgundy, White, Hunter Green

RETAILERS: Land's End, Spirit of the Game, Worland's.

Other potentials: JC Penney's, Kohl's, Sears...Please insure color/styles are acceptable.

BOYS and GIRLS**GIRLS ONLY**

<p>Pants and Shorts</p> <p>Color: Dark Navy Blue or Dark Khaki Tan (lighter shades, stone/putty are not acceptable)</p> <p>Style/Cut: Pants and shorts will have front pleats or flat-front with straight legs. Short length must not be below the kneecap. Girls shorts/pants may be cuffed, walking style.</p> <p>Pockets: Front pockets should be traditional style or front pocket tab, with no accessory zippers, flaps, velcro. Any back pockets should be slash-style with button.</p> <p>Belts /Wear: Belts of neutral color (black, brown, khaki, or navy blue) are required and must be fully visible unless a sweatshirt, hoodie, or polar fleece zip-up is being worn. Pants and shorts must be worn at waistline and not pushed down around the hip area.</p> <p>BOYS ONLY:</p> <p>Cargo shorts will be allowed provided they are purchased through LANDS END. To maintain uniformity ONLY ITEM NUMBERS # 23153, 23154- may be worn to school. ALL other Cargo shorts will be in violation and enforced as a dress code offense.</p>	<p>Skirts, Skorts, Jumpers, Capri's</p> <p>Color: Dark Navy or dark khaki tan skirts and skorts</p> <p>Style: A-Line or pleated styles are only allowed as uniform separates as long as they meet proper length requirement or no more than 3 inches above the knee. No cargo-style or accessory buckles/zippers across the front of the skirt/skort allowed. Preferred vendors: Land's End, Worlands, or Spirit of the Game, but may be purchased at other retailers as long as the uniform requirements are met.</p> <p>JUMPERS -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dark Navy or dark khaki tan jumpers available through Land's End , Worland's, or Spirit of the Game only. Heritage plaid jumper, skirt, or kilt available only through Worland's and Spirit of the Game. Heritage plaid shorts and skorts available through Spirit of the Game only. Matching plaid accessories are acceptable. <p>Capri's</p> <p>Dark khaki capri's available ONLY through Spirit of the Game and Worlands. Capri's must be embroidered with the Spirit of the Game OR Worland's logo. Capri's not purchased through and monogrammed by the Spirit of the Game or Worland's will not be permitted.</p>
<p>Shirts, Sweatshirts, Sweaters, and Jackets</p> <p>Acceptable shirts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Plain collar white, dark navy, dark burgundy, or dark hunter green mesh or interlock polo shirts (short or long-sleeved), turtlenecks, or mock-turtlenecks with no decorative additions other than the HCS logo. Plain collar white short or long-sleeved oxford cloth button-down shirts with no decorative additions other than HCS logo. Any undershirt that is worn underneath a uniform shirt must be school colors (white, dark navy, burgundy, hunter green) and must be tucked in. <p>Land's End or Spirit of the Game can embroider the HCS logo on any of the above-mentioned shirts for a small additional cost.</p>	<p>Blouse</p> <p>Long or short-sleeved solid white Peter Pan blouse.</p>

<p>BOYS AND GIRLS</p> <p>Sweaters</p> <p>V-Neck drifter sweater vests or cardigan sweaters in dark burgundy, dark navy, or dark hunter green may be worn. Cable knit is not acceptable. These are available from Land's End, Worland's or Spirit of the Game only.</p> <p>HCS Sweatshirts and Hoodies must be worn with a tucked uniform separate underneath. HCS sweatshirts are available through Spirit of the Game only. HCS Hoodies are available through the school Sports department only.</p> <p>A polar fleece zip-up jacket is the only jacket allowed in classroom and must be worn with a tucked uniform separate underneath. The Navy blue polar fleece zip-up must be embroidered with the HCS eagle logo and available only through Spirit of the Game.</p>	<p>GIRLS ONLY</p>
<p>ACCESSORIES:</p> <p>Dark navy, dark burgundy, and hunter green ties. (Girls may also wear Heritage plaid cross-ties and other matching Heritage plaid accessories)</p> <p>BODY ALTERATION:</p> <p>No piercings other than established policy pertaining to girl's earrings.</p> <p>Expansion/gauging devices for ear lobe, nasal or other are not permitted.</p> <p>Cuttings are prohibited</p> <p>Utilization of ink on student's skin prohibited to include pens/markers and both formal and informal tattoos. (Students who have obtained such prior to attendance at HCS must keep them covered and agree to obtain no others during years of attendance)</p>	<p>ACCESSORIES</p> <p>Girls socks must be neutral color or pattern, with both being of the same color, pair, and size.</p> <p>Girls leggings – that are plain and of neutral color may be worn.</p> <p>FORMAL DRESS Upper school Girls</p> <p>Modesty is priority.</p> <p>Dress should not display cleavage.</p> <p>Students will be able to wear dresses with straps and halter tops without jackets providing modesty is retained.</p> <p>Dress must reach the knee in length.</p>

Cargo Shorts at LANDS END:

Go to Landsend.com select Uniforms and then look for cargo shorts. Only the UNIFORM cargo shorts are acceptable. Please double-check the item number as you order.