

FCA Dress Code for 1st-12th 2019/2020

The word of God tells us that mankind looks on the outward appearance to judge a person even though the Lord looks on the heart. (1 Samuel 16:7) And since we are the Lord's witnesses to mankind, we must realize that our appearance is our first witness. It is, therefore, the administration's objective that Family Christian Academy students set the standard for other students and young people to follow. (1 Tim 2:9)

F.C.A. requires and provides school uniforms as stated on the following pages.

It is not our intent to be overly restrictive with dress. We desire to increase pride and discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, teach grooming and hygiene, and teach respect for authority.

We would also remind parents of their responsibility to see that their child is properly dressed each day according to dress code. Fulfillment of this responsibility would be of great assistance to the school and your child as well. Further discipline is often avoided when parental consent is enforced.

The school administration reserves the right to decide the propriety of dress and/or appearance, and the right to initiate policies on new fads and changes in style throughout the year.

(SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY BEGINS WHEN STUDENTS ENTER THE WAITING AREA FOR THE 8:20 BELL)

Uniform Guidelines (Standard Uniform Cut & Style is Required)

Here at FCA, all shirts, sweaters and jackets must be bought through the School via our Warrior Shop. Please contact the school office for times and availability.

Below are samples and colors of what is offered as choices.

- **Knit Polo Shirts**

(Solid Colors: Black, charcoal grey, white and maroon)

- **MANDATORY!** Must be purchased through the FCA Warrior Shop.
- Solid long sleeves shirts may be worn under polos in above colors only
- Shirts must be tucked into skirts, shorts, pants, or Capri's



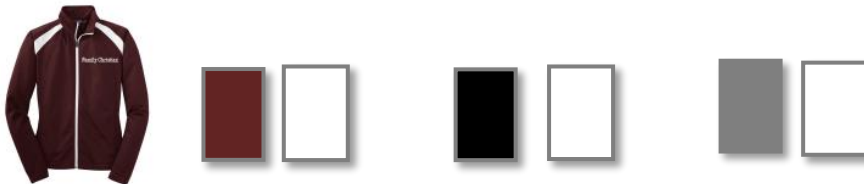
- **Sweaters: Cardigan Style** (Solid Colors: Black, charcoal grey, and maroon)
 - **MANDATORY!** Must be purchased through the FCA Warrior Shop.
 - Solid long sleeves shirts may be worn under polos in above colors only
 - Shirts must be tucked into skirts, shorts, pants, or Capri's



- **Fleece Sweatshirt** (Solid Colors: Black, and charcoal grey)
 - **MANDATORY!** Must be purchased through the FCA Warrior Shop.
 - ¼ Zip up fleece **sweatshirt with school logo.** (Colors: Charcoal Gray and black)
 - Shirts must be tucked into skirts, shorts, pants, or Capri's



- **Jackets** (Windbreaker Style: Colors: Maroon/White or Black/White)
 - **MANDATORY!** Must be purchased through the FCA Warrior Shop.
 - Full Zip **with school logo.**



The following items may be purchased at any department or uniform store. Must be uniform cut. No cargo, no low waisted, no skinny or form fitting styles.

- **Skirts, Shorts, Capris, Pants Jackets** (Windbreaker Style: Colors: Maroon/White or Black/White) (Solid Colors: navy blue, khaki and black).
 - Flat or pleated front, uniform style pants or uniform style capri pants with no cargo pockets or pockets on the leg
 - Relaxed fit, not excessively tight or low-rise cut pants (all pants, shorts or skirts should be uniformed style/cut).
 - Skirts must have pleats and must be to the **kneecap** while standing
 - Capri pants should cover the kneecap while standing and sitting
 - No skinny uniform pants are allowed.



Uniform style pleated Chapel skirt (Must have pleats). Solid colors only: Navy Blue, Khaki and Black.



Uniform style flat or pleated pants and Capri pants. Solid colors only: Navy Blue, Khaki and Black



Boy's Uniform style shorts



Girl's Uniform style shorts

FCA expects parents to assume the responsibility for their student(s) to follow the dress code and leave the school free to focus on its primary goals of building Godly character and academic excellence.

Violators of the uniform dress code will be subject to discipline sanctions. FCA also reserves the right to remove a student from the classroom immediately for inappropriate dress. A parent will be called to bring appropriate clothing and a parent conference may be requested.

JEWELRY

(Jewelry must be conservative and in good taste.)

Jewelry cannot portray anything that is not in keeping with Christian values. Stones, rings, necklaces, bracelets etc., reflecting new age, gothic, grunge, witchcraft or death concepts are not acceptable.

(EX: skulls, spikes, dragons, snakes, and such like.)

- Body piercings is not allowed (pierced jewelry worn on other parts of the body besides the ear-lobe)
- Only one earring per ear is allowed for girls only (no boys may wear earrings). (Earrings are to be worn in the lower ear lobe area only.)
- Earring loops cannot exceed 1 ½" in circumference or 2" in hanging length.
- No gauges, plugs or ear stretching devices are allowed.

HAIR, MAKE-UP, NAIL POLISH AND TATOOS

Make-up, cologne, perfumes, and hair spray are not to be applied in the classroom or lunchroom at anytime. Braiding, brushing and combing hair is to be done outside the classroom and lunchroom.

- ❖ Hair must be neat, clean and well groomed. Styles must be in good taste, and not covering the eyes.
- Radical hairstyles reflecting rebellious type groups such as: heavy metal, punk, skinheads or gangs will not be tolerated. Shaved heads or symbols cut into hair are not allowed.

- Hair may not be dyed two or more distinct colors at once.
(EX: Black hair with blonde highlights)
Soft, modest highlighting is acceptable in natural hair colors.
- Hair may not be dyed in a color not a natural tone. (ex: green, red, blue, etc.)
 - **BOYS**
 - Hair must be above the eyes and top of the collar. Hair may not extend below the ears.
 - Beards and mustaches are not allowed. Sideburns are not to extend below the ears.
 - Face and neck must be clean-shaven at all times.
 - No extreme hair styles are allowed- this includes mo-hawks, ponytails, man-buns or one side of head closely cut while other side remains a differing length.
 - **GIRLS**
 - Make-up may be worn in moderation and in good taste and does not draw attention to one-self.
 - Nails should be painted the same in moderation and good taste that does not draw attention to one-self. (Glitter is considered artwork and is therefore unacceptable)
 - Tattoos of any kind or writing or artwork on the skin is not allowed.
 - No extreme hair styles are allowed- this includes mo-hawks, or one side of head closely cut while other side remains a differing length

BELTS

Belts must be worn where belt-loops are provided.

(Solid Colors: navy blue, brown, or black)

- Dress belts (Solid or tweed)
- No western, glitter, metal or such like

SOCKS (Solid colors only/no designs)

Socks must be visible with all shoes and at all times

- Socks must be worn with shoes.
- Socks cannot go above the knee.
- Sheer or lace style hosiery worn as socks, is unacceptable.

TIGHTS/LEGGINGS (Solid colors only: Navy blue, black, or brown)

- Tights or leggings may be worn under skirts.
- No fish net stocking.

SHOES (Footwear with socks must be worn at all times)

- No flip flops, crocs, sandals, backless, or open-toe shoes,
- No shoes with heels or soles higher than 1 1/2 " in height
- Cowboy style boots can be worn with pants or jeans only (not shorts or skirts) (Not tucked inside of pants)
- No Ankle, over the knee, or Mid-calf boots (regardless of style. This includes Uggs, crocs, chuckas or laced up boots.
- Flats may be worn with socks visible.

Chapel Day (Every Thursday- 6th - 12th Grades Only)

Chapel day is a special day in which the whole student body gathers to worship the Lord in song and devotion.

Oxford Style Shirts - Solid Colors only: (Light Blue, or White)

- Boys will wear a uniform oxford dress shirt with uniform pants (tucked in) (*ties are acceptable*).
- Girls will wear a uniform pleated skirt and an oxford shirt. (Tucked in)
- Girls No pants, capri pants, or shorts allowed
- Sweaters or jackets cannot be worn during chapel.
- Only proper undergarments may be worn with oxford shirts.
- No long sleeve, low cut, or iron on undershirts allowed

(6th – 12th Grade Students are to wear chapel day dress on Thursday regardless of event unless exception is announced by administration)

Sport Games Home or Away

All students are expected to wear modest apparel when attending FCA athletic events! School administration reserves the right to speak to a student and/or administer discipline for students dressed inappropriately while attending extracurricular school functions.

- Underwear must not be visible. Tank or sleeveless tops/shirts must conceal all
- undergarments as well as any low-cut style pants.
- All shirts must cover the midriff completely, even when one's arms are
- extended.
- Shorts may be worn, but should not be excessively short or tight.
- No ripped, frayed or torn clothing where skin is visible.
- No clothing with inappropriate slogans, sayings, or pictures.
- No shoes w/ heels or soles 1 ½ "in height.

Field Trip Days (PreK – 5th Grades only)

Spirit Shirt and Jeans are to be worn unless specified by Teachers or Administration for students to wear something different depending on the location and type of field trip taken.

Spirit Day/Jean Day (Friday's Only)

Jeans with current school year spirit shirt with FCA logo, and tucked into standard basic jeans with a belt.

Jeans can only be worn with spirit shirt (not with polos)

- Jeans must be BLUE in color. **9th – 12th grades may wear black jeans**
- No skinny jeans
- No decorations, metal beads, or colored designs on the back pockets
- No jeans with holes, rips, frayed, or bleached,
- No cargo pockets or pockets on the leg
- No capri style jeans
- No blue jean shorts
- No blue jean skirts (unless approved by School Administration)

Violation of Jean Day:

1st Offense: sent to the School Office. Parent Notified. Student not allowed back into class until proper jean or uniform is changed into.

2nd Offense: Loss of privilege for the remainder of the Semester or Year depending on the attitude of the student and parent.

Picture Days

***All students must take a school picture for the school yearbook in the fall regardless of personal purchase.** Standard school uniforms do not have to be worn. However, students wearing special clothing for pictures will be expected to meet a similar and modest dress code guideline. All general dress code guidelines outside of clothing are to be followed including the following:

1. No plain t-shirts or sweatshirts are allowed.
2. No sleeveless or midriff shirts
3. No iron-ons or embroidered letters are allowed
4. Shorts must be uniform shorts if worn.
5. Long jeans are fine if in good condition and taste.

***All students must take a class group picture in the spring. Uniforms must be worn for this picture.**

***No sibling group pictures are allowed.**

Fun Dress Days

On occasion, FCA will have a fun dress day. These days will be announced in advance along with guidelines. Some of these fun dress days are crazy hat day, house shoe day, cowboy day, fifties day, crazy hair day, etc. Students are encouraged to participate and enjoy these special opportunities to make memories.

Game Days

In support of school spirit, students who are team members of a particular FCA sport team may wear their shirt/jersey on the day of the game. **Uniform shirts must be worn under jerseys that do not have sleeves.**

Weekday Detention Dress

Regular school dress is expected unless P.E. or sports uniforms are worn due to scheduling.

Dress code for school sponsored events

(Any event sponsored by the school home or away)

Our students dress and appearance here at FCA events home and away should reflect Christian modesty and values. Students not reflecting these values will be asked to leave the event and will meet with the administration the following school day.

Please Note: These include sporting events (even as a fan), all club events, awards ceremonies, art competitions, speech and math meets.

- No shoes w/ heels or soles 1 ½ " in height
- No dresses that are form fitting, too short, or sleeveless,
- All outerwear (pants, jeans, skirts, shirts, tops, etc.) must be modest in terms of fit and Style. This includes wearing clothing that is appropriate and not form-fitting.
Jeans worn will be according to school rules (see Spirit Day/Jean Day reg above).
- All shirts must cover the midriff completely, even when one's arms are extended.
- No ripped, frayed or torn clothing where skin is visible.
- No clothing with inappropriate slogans, sayings, or pictures.