

Middle/High School Dress Code 2009-2010

Our expectations for dress at NorthPointe Christian fit within our general aim to conduct ourselves as God's holy people, a task that is not easy in a fallen world. In addition, we expect students to dress in a manner that is not disruptive to our educational program. The rules that follow give more specific guidance about reaching these expectations. If you have difficulty finding clothing that conforms to this code, please consider khaki pants/skirts and solid color polo shirts as good options. The following will be enforced:

- Attire that consists of profane, obscene, sexually implied or explicit language or graphics, as well as clothing that advertises or promotes tobacco, alcohol, or substance abuse is prohibited.
- The display of graphics or words of secular musical groups on clothing is prohibited.
- All shirts must fall below the waistline and be modest. The following clothing is prohibited:
 - Any clothing that shows skin at the mid-torso region, regardless of movement,
 - Tank tops and sleeveless shirts (sleeves must break the shoulder),
 - Sheer, see-through blouses or shirts, and low-cut tops,
 - Undergarments that are exposed.
- All pants and shorts, including jeans, must be fitted at the waist and in good repair. All pants must be free of inappropriate graphics/words. The following are inappropriate:
 - Rips, tears, and holes that show undergarments or skin,
 - Sagging and low-cut pants that expose a student's undergarment, regardless of movement,
 - Words on the seat of pants or sweat pants,
 - Athletic shorts and swimming shorts,
 - Pajamas.
- All shorts, skirts and dresses must not be shorter than two inches from top of the kneecap, including hemline and slit.
- No "Heelys" (shoes with rollers) or rollerblades of any type.
- All body piercing and tattoos are strongly discouraged. Body-piercing objects (including on the tongue and nose) or clip-on objects that give the appearance of piercing are prohibited for all students. Only girls may wear earrings.
- No hats, hoods, or du-rags are to be worn in the building during school hours.
- Extreme hairstyles are not permitted, e.g., mohawk, dreadlocks, multicolored hair, and unnatural hair color (pink, purple, etc.). Haircut length for males must be out of the eyes and above shoulder length.
- Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times inside the building.
- Chains of any gauge used to secure any of the following are not to be worn in/at school or at any school-sponsored event: chains to secure wallets, chains used as belts, chains fastened to backpacks or purses, chains around the neck (i.e. dog collar, etc.).

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CONSEQUENCES:

Final decisions concerning alleged dress code violations rest with the building administrator(s). The following consequences will be carried out if a student is found in violation of the dress code policy:

1ST Offense: A verbal warning with correction (the school gives the student something to wear to cover up the offensive clothing).

2ND Offense: A verbal warning, detention, correction and notification of the parents by letter or e-mail.

3RD Offense: Detention, correction, and a conference with parents at school.

OFF-CAMPUS DRESS CODE POLICY:

When students are off campus participating in activities that represent our school, appropriate clothing is important as a reflection of our school and the Lord Jesus Christ. Dress code policy for these activities will be directed otherwise by the sponsor of that group.

SCHOOL SPECIAL EVENTS DRESS CODE POLICY

Students and parents are encouraged to remember that at the NPCS evening special events our dress and behavior is also a reflection of our Father and His claim on our lives. While chaperones at these events do not desire to have to correct students, they will in extreme circumstances. At these events, we expect clothing will cover the mid torso, be appropriate length, and have necklines that are modest.

PERSONAL HYGIENE

Personal grooming of each student should be in accord with the standards of the dress code—clean and neat. Students are expected to maintain good hygiene throughout the day. All grooming should be done before entering class.