

# Crosspoint Dress Code - General Guidelines

Crosspoint students are encouraged to present at all times a personal appearance that is glorifying to God and consistent with the goals and standards of our school. Modesty, moderation, cleanliness, neatness, and appropriateness, including attire consistent with the student's biological gender, should serve as guidelines for making choices regarding dress and appearance.

This dress code has been designed to remove added distractions from the educational setting in order to provide a learning environment that promotes academic excellence. Parents, please see that your children follow the dress code so that our staff does not have to spend instructional time dealing with these matters.

If you have any doubts about whether an item meets dress code specifications, please bring it to the administration before allowing your student to wear it to school. The administration will make final decisions on the appropriateness of the clothing or hairstyle.

## Pants

Pants or jeans must be properly sized and must not be tight, baggy, frayed, excessively worn out, or have holes in them.

1. **Khakis** – khaki uniform-style pants may be worn; allowable colors are black, gray, navy, brown, tan or olive green; material should not be tight or form fitting.
2. **Shorts** – knee-length uniform-style shorts (Bermuda, not cargo) in black, gray, navy, brown, tan or olive green; material should not be tight or form fitting.
3. **Leggings** – Girls may wear solid color leggings under their skirts.
4. **Jeans**
  - a. Elementary – students may wear solid color jeans (without decoration, manufactured fading or "dirty" look) any day of the week.
  - b. Secondary – students may wear jeans only on Dress Down days or with a jeans pass.

## Skirts, dresses and jumpers

Young ladies may wear solid color skirts, dresses, jumpers, and uniform skirts that extend at least to the knee. Fabric and colors should follow the guidelines for pants. Elementary ladies may wear a dress outside of the uniform guidelines on Wednesday only as long as it extends to the knees and has sleeves.

## Shirts

Shirts may **not be sleeveless or made of sheer material**. Undergarments may not be visible. When arms are raised no skin should be visible.

1. **Polos** – traditional style and fabric, loose-fitting, long tails, with buttons; may be short or long sleeve, any color or print; may only have pocket-sized logos (no logos across the front or back of the shirt)
2. **Oxford style** – collared shirt with buttons from collar to hem; **only** the collar button may be unbuttoned; may be short or long sleeve, any color or print.
3. **Spirit-wear** - Crosspoint spirit wear purchased from the dress code approved section on the Crosspoint spirit wear store may be worn Monday - Friday. Spirit wear from any section of the store, including t-shirts, **MAY BE WORN ON FRIDAYS ONLY**.

## Sweaters

All sweaters must be modest. Collared shirts are required underneath cardigans.

## Shoes

Shoes are to be worn at all times. Shoes should be neat and clean.

Elementary students may not wear flip-flops or slides for safety reasons.

Secondary students may wear nice sandals.

## Hair

All students must have conservative hairstyles that do not draw undue attention. Boys may not wear their hair below the top of the collar. **Neatly groomed** facial hair is allowed. Students may have hair that is dyed in natural colors (no blue, green, purple, etc.).

## Hats/Jackets/Coats

Hats are not to be worn in the classroom. Students may wear a school-approved, CCS logoed jacket, sweatshirt or hoodie.

## Jewelry, Piercings, Cosmetics, Tattoos

Girls may wear **jewelry** that is modest and that does not draw undue attention. Boys may not wear earrings.

Students may not have any facial **piercings** or piercings on other parts of their body that can be seen when in school or school-sponsored events.

Elementary girls may NOT wear **cosmetics**. Secondary girls may wear cosmetics in moderation.

Students may not have visible **tattoos and/or body art**.

## **PE Uniforms**

### **Elementary**

Students who are permitted to change for PE classes and choose to do so must wear an appropriate t-shirt and athletic shorts. The shorts must be a solid black or dark blue and extend to at least mid-thigh. Tennis shoes are required for P.E. During cold weather, students may also wear solid black athletic pants. Leggings, tightfitting shorts or sweatpants are not acceptable. Students wearing a dress or skirt must wear shorts underneath.

### **Secondary**

The standard junior and senior high uniform is required for all students enrolled in P.E. This uniform consists of a Crosspoint or Joplin tournament t-shirt and shorts. Shorts must be solid black or dark blue and extend to at least mid-thigh. Tennis shoes are required for P.E. During cold weather, students may also wear solid black sweatpants or warm-up pants. Leggings, tight-fitting shorts or sweatpants are not acceptable. Necklaces should not be worn during P.E. class. Points will be deducted for any student not following the dress code.

## **Dress Down Days**

Students may wear spirit wear on dress down days, which generally occur every Friday. Spirit Wear is defined as approved tops (t-shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts) with a CCS logo or CCS tournament logo. Button downs may be worn unbuttoned over approved shirt. Secondary students may wear jeans that meet the guidelines for pants above. Athletic dress code on game days will always supersede dress down days for students.

### **Dress Code Violations**

#### **Elementary Students**

1. Minor violations (such as jeans with holes or printed leggings) will receive a warning. If it becomes a pattern, parents will be contacted.

2. If students are inappropriately dressed, parents will be called to bring a change of clothes before the student may return to class.

### **Secondary Students**

1. The administrator may request that a specific item of clothing not be worn to school again, or, if deemed too extreme, that a change of clothes be made immediately.
2. A written dress code violation will be given to the student as a warning. Any further written violations that semester will result in demerits. Other measures will be taken if needed for students who persist in dress code violations.

### **Dress Code for Extracurricular Activities**

Students are expected to dress modestly and appropriately at all school activities on or off campus. School administration reserves the right to require a more stringent, or a specialized dress code for certain events, (i.e., presentations, field trips, concerts, ceremonies) and to relax the dress code when such action is deemed appropriate.

### **Athletic Uniforms**

Uniform shorts and skirts must extend at least to mid-thigh. Likewise, undergarments should not show when an athletic uniform is being worn. Uniform substitutions, for any reason including modesty concerns, must be approved in advance by the team's coach, and must not inhibit game play or violate game rules or conditions. Student-athletes who show up to a game in a uniform that violates this policy, as determined by the coach, the administrator or a designated staff person, will not be allowed to participate in that event. These guidelines apply to both practices and games.

### **Spirit Week**

Costumes, outfits, etc., worn during spirit week must meet the standards established in the dress code for during school hours. If in doubt, the student should have the outfit approved by the administrator in advance. Students who are not dressed modestly will not be allowed to attend class until they have changed clothes.

### **Banquets and Other Formal Events**

Young ladies' dresses must meet the following guidelines:

1. Dress length must not be shorter than 3 inches above the knee (the short side of a 3x5 notecard).

2. Slits in dresses may not extend above 3 inches above the knee (the short side of a 3x5 notecard).
3. Dresses may not have any cutouts.
4. No cleavage may show when sitting or standing.
5. Strapless dresses must have a neckline that is straight across and no more than 2 inches below the collarbone.
6. All necklines may be no lower than 2 inches below the collar bone
7. The back of the dress must cover the natural bra line
8. Sheer overlays do not determine the length of the dress. The main fabric of a dress with an overlay must meet the length requirements.
9. Dress must not be skin-tight. This will be determined by the staff person(s) in charge.

### **Consequences for Dress Code Violations at Banquet and Other Formal Events**

Any student who is inappropriately dressed may be asked to leave, with the opportunity to return appropriately dressed or may receive demerits or detention at the discretion of faculty. Parents will be notified that the student has been asked to leave the banquet or event. If you have any doubts about whether clothing meets dress code specifications, please bring it to the administration before allowing your student to wear it.