

VCA MIDDLE SCHOOL: Dress Code Guidelines - 2010-2011

GIRLS' DRESS CODE ITEMS

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BOYS' DRESS CODE ITEMS

Chapel Dress Code:

- Pleated skirt or kiltPL
- Oxford blouse (LS or SS)LB
- @ Socks or tights (solid, any style) N

GIRLS- Standard Field Trip Dress Code

Red knit polo shirt (LS or SS) & navy walking shorts, slacks or skirt

GIRLS- Additional Items

Jumper: Round neck, pleated N, PL

Slacks, Skirts, and Skorts:

- Corduroy slacks, pleated K, N
- Corduroy slacks, plain front N
- Twill slacks, pleated K, N
- Flat-front mid-rise slacks K, N
- Flat-front mid-rise walking shorts K, N
- Pleated walking shorts K, N, PL
- Pleated or Kilt skirt K, N, PL
- Skort K, N, PL

Shirts:

- Round collar broadcloth blouse, LS or SS ...LB, Y, W
- Oxford blouse, LS or SSLB, Y, W
- Knit polo shirts, LS or SS BL, BG, DG, LB, N, W, R, Y
- Turtleneck, LS only DG, LB, N, W, R, Y

Sweaters:

- V-neck cardigan DG, G, N, R, W
- Crew neck cardigan sweater DG, G, N, R, W, Y
- Crew neck LS pullover sweater DG, G, N, R, W
- V-neck LS pullover sweater DG, G, N, R, W, Y
- Sleeveless v-neck pullover vest DG, G, N, R, W, Y
- VCA embroidered logo Sweatshirt from Schoolbelles N
- *VCA silk-screened sweatshirt (crew or hoodie) N
- @Solid Hooded sweatshirt^ (pullover or zip) N
- @Solid Crew neck sweatshirt^ N

^sweatshirts must be totally solid, no logos, stripes, etc.

Accessories:

- @ Knee high socks, cable knit N, W, DG, G, R
- @ Knee high socks, opaque N, W, DG, R
- @ Socks, acrylic or cotton DG, G, K, N, R, W
- @ Socks must be solid color with no logos
- @ Tights, cable knit DG, G, N, W
- @ Tights, opaque DG, N, R, W
- @ Belt (optional for K) plain .. solid N, BL, BR w/ a buckle
- Clip, barrette, pony tail holder or headband PL
- @ Solid pony tail holder or headband DG, LB, N, R, W, Y

Chapel Dress Code:

- Twill slacks, plain, pleated, or relaxedN
- @ Oxford shirt, LS or SSW
- @ Socks (cotton or acrylic)N
- @ Belt (optional for K) plain, solid N, BL or BR with a buckle
- @ Tie is required

BOYS- Standard Field Trip Dress Code

Red knit polo shirt (LS or SS) and navy walking shorts or slacks

BOYS- Additional Items

Slacks:

- Corduroy slacks, plain front K, N
- Twill slacks, plain front K, N
- Twill slacks, pleated front K, N
- Twill walking shorts, pleated front K, N
- Long shorts, plain front K, N

Shirts:

- @Oxford shirt, LS or SS LB, W
- Knit polo shirt, LS or SS BL, BG, DG, LB, N, R, W, Y
- Turtleneck, LS only DG, LB, N, R, W, Y

Sweaters:

- V-neck cardigan sweater DG, G, N, R, W
- V-neck LS pullover sweater DG, G, N, R, W, Y
- Crew neck pullover sweater DG, G, N, R, W
- Sleeveless V-neck pullover vest DG, G, N, R, W, Y
- Spirit Wear Sweatshirt (embroidered) N
- *VCA silk-screened sweatshirt(crew or hoodie) N
- @Solid Hooded sweatshirt^ (pullover or zip) N
- @Solid Crew neck sweatshirt^ N

^sweatshirts must be totally solid, no logos, stripes, etc.

Accessories:

- @ Socks, acrylic or cotton (solid) N, W, DG, BL, R, K
- @ Socks must be solid color with no logos
- @ Belt plain, solid N, BL, BR with a buckle

PHYS ED UNIFORM FOR BOYS & GIRLS :

- @P.E. T-Shirt, no logo, solid SS medium G
- @P.E. shorts N
- (shorts MUST be longer, solid, no logos or stripes)
- White socks are *preferred!*
- Sweatshirts (*VCA or @ solid) N
- Sweat pants (*VCA or @ solid, no stripes) N
- [Middle school students may wear Class T-Shirts or Spirit shirts for PE also]

< KEY to the SYMBOLS >

BL=black; BG=burgundy; BR=dk brown; DG=dk green; G=gray; K=khaki; LB=lt blue; N=navy; PL=VCA plaid; R=red; W=white; Y=yellow

@ means the item can be purchased from any source. * means the item must be purchased through VCA.

ALL ITEMS except those with an * or @ MUST be purchased from Lands' End or Schoolbelles ONLY.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the VCA Dress Code is:

- 1) To minimize clothing competition and focus attention on character and education, not appearance,
- 2) To provide quality clothing which is consistent throughout the student population, and
- 3) To provide for a uniform look and testimony in the community for our school and students.

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ALL:

1. Standard Field Trip Dress Code Required for All: Red knit polo shirt (LS or SS) and navy walking shorts, slacks, or navy skirt are to be worn on all field trips unless teachers direct otherwise.

2. ⚡⚡⚡Shoes

> **Non-athletic: solid BL, BR, G (gray), N or W** accented with a maximum of one other color only. Laces must be the same color as the shoe. For safety reasons, heels are to be no higher than 1" (from floor to top of sole at the heel).

Shoes must have closed toes and closed heels. No steel-toed, platform tennis shoes or light-up shoes are permitted.

> **Athletic: base color must be solid BL, BR, G (gray), N or W** with solid, non-fluorescent, trim colors (no limit on numbers of trim colors, within reason). Shoes are not to have lights, etc. or be a distraction in any way.

3. **Socks** (athletic or otherwise) may be knee high, crew, ankle, or low-cut. There are to be NO LOGOS on socks.

4. The **Chapel uniform** applies to all Chapel days, some field trips, and some program nights (parents will be advised prior to the event). Teachers may allow students to remove their vests after Chapel. Parents should always send their child in Chapel dress on Wednesdays.

5. Students may wear a **combination** of the items listed on any day but Chapel day.

6. **Belts** are required on all uniform pants or shorts with belt loops (optional for kindergartners).

7. ⚡⚡Shirts are to be tucked in at all times.

8. VCA **Sweatshirts** may be worn with a collared shirt underneath as part of the daily dress code, except on Chapel days. . ^Solid sweatshirts, hoodies, or sweatpants are not to have any logos, stripes, or anything on them.

9. Walking **shorts** may be no more than six inches above the knee.

10. **Jackets** may not be worn inside the building except with special permission. Jackets or hoodies should not be worn inside the building.

11. The dress code at VCA **extracurricular events** assumes that students will follow the biblical principle of modesty. Neat jeans will be allowed at VCA activities such as skate nights.

12. ⚡⚡On "**Dress Down Days**," students may wear modest non-uniform clothing, no pants with holes, or inappropriate T-shirts. (No spandex, please). Administration will make the final decision concerning what is appropriate and acceptable. Skirt and short length must be no more than two inches above the knee.

13. On "**Spirit Days**," theme t-shirts or any VCA t-shirt or sweatshirt (missions, sports teams, etc.) from any year may be worn with dress code clothing below the waist.

14. When the **weather is cold**, students should have waterproof boots, hats, gloves/mittens, coats, snow pants or sweat pants to wear outside.

15. Due to safety and allergic reactions, **colognes, perfumes or hairsprays** should not be on campus.

16. **Underlayers** of T-shirts (LS or SS) must be solid in color and be in colors of our dress code.

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR BOYS:

1. ⚡⚡Hair should be neatly groomed and trimmed. It should never be longer than the eyebrows. It should not cover more than half of the ear, and may not cover the collar. There should be no dyed hair of any kind.

Administration will make the final decision concerning what is appropriate and acceptable.

2. No earrings or visible piercings.

3. On Dress Down Days, no tank tops should be worn unless under another shirt.

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR GIRLS:

1. ⚡⚡ Hair should be neatly groomed at trimmed. There should be no un-naturally colored dyed hair and no extreme hairstyles. Administration will make the final decision concerning what is appropriate and acceptable.

2. Hair accessories should be simple and color-coded to match the dress code.

3. Jewelry at any level should be in good taste. Girls may not wear hoop or dangling earrings, or long necklaces or chains for safety reasons.

4. No excessive makeup is to be worn at school. Only clear or pale pastel nail polish is acceptable. No false nails may be worn.

4. Girls' jumpers and skirts must be knee length. When kneeling on the floor, skirts must touch the floor.

5. During the school day, only shorts (no pants or warm-ups) can be worn under jumpers/skirts while in the building. For warmth, girls should wear tights under jumpers/skirts (not sweatpants or warm-ups).

6. ⚡⚡On Dress Down Days, there should be no see-through or halter tops. If spaghetti or regular tank tops are worn, it must be under another shirt. No midriffs are to be visible. Skirt and short length must be no more than two inches above the knee.

DRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Enforcement will be handled through the classroom discipline policy. Continued disregard for the dress code will be treated as disobedience. Please refer to the Parent-Student Handbook for further information; for further questions or clarification, please call the School Office.

⚡⚡Note: These tend to be the **problem areas in Middle School**. Please pay careful attention to the expectations. Thank you!