

Antioch Christian Academy Dress Code: “Neat, Clean, and Modest”

We believe that a students' attire, especially once they are old enough to make these decisions for themselves, reflects their personality and also willingness to be disciplined under authority that God has placed over them. The ACA dress code is meant to be comfortable but also ordered and intentional. Please help your students to make wise decisions about what they wear each day. In addition to the following guidelines, any attire deemed by the administration to be distracting could be asked to change or not worn again. Please disclose any medical issues that would need accommodation. Thank you!

Antioch Christian Academy K-12 Dress Code Girls

Students are required to be in dress code if they are on school property, or off at field trips unless otherwise stated. This includes, but is not limited to, parent-teacher conferences, school programs, and school parties.

K-2 rd Grade: Monday thru Friday
3 rd -12 th Grade: Monday thru Friday, Except Chapel Days

Hair:

- No hairstyles that draw unnecessary attention
- Hair length may vary, but please no hairstyles that get in the eyes or impede hearing
- No unnatural hair colors

Shirts:

- Polos, t-shirts, sweaters, hoodies, or jackets may be worn
- No tank tops, sleeveless shirts, spaghetti straps, or razor-backs are allowed at any time.
- No cleavage or midriffs should be seen
- No torn, frayed, see-through, low-cut, or inappropriate messages

Pants:

- Jeans, slacks, cargoes, and dress pants may be worn
- No tears or frays
- No writing on the seat on pants
- No athletic pants or sweatpants, except on relaxed Fridays
- No leggings/jeggings unless worn underneath a dress or outfit

Shorts:

- Denim, dress, and cargo shorts may be worn.
- No tears or frays
- No athletic shorts, except on relaxed Fridays, and must be knee-length or with leggings
- No writing on the seat of the shorts

- Length must be to the knee or no more than 2 inches from the knee
- Leggings may be worn underneath shorts or dresses

Skirts/Dresses:

- Should be knee-length with shorts underneath if no leggings are worn
- If worn with leggings, must completely cover the seat when seated

Undergarments:

- All girls must wear appropriate undergarments every day, but undergarments should not be seen

Shoes:

- Appropriate for weather AND school activities
- No flip-flops

Hats:

- No hats, beanies, stocking caps, etc during the school day
- No inappropriate messages on hats.
- If a hoodie is worn to school, it must be removed during the day except when outside

Jackets:

- No inappropriate messages.

Kindergarten

- Send an extra set of clothes and underwear with students each day in case of accidents.

3rd-12 th Grade: Chapel Attire

Our students are encouraged to put forth excellence in their dress for chapels, in order to show their honor and respect for worship, God's Word, and their personal relationship with him.

Shirts:

- Blouses or dress shirts
- Shirts should be neat and wrinkle-free

Skirts/Dresses:

- Follow guidelines mentioned under skirts or dresses

Pants:

- Slacks, dress denim, dress shorts, or other dress pants

K-12 th Grade Casual Dress Fridays

- Students may choose their clothing as long as it meets dress code standards
- Must be neat, clean, and modest
- Athletic pants and sweatpants may be worn as long as they are not tight-fitting, not leggings, and do not have writing on the pants, or inappropriate messages.

- No tank tops, sleeveless shirts, spaghetti straps, or razor-backs are allowed at any time.

Miscellaneous

Activity Trackers:

- Acceptable, but cannot have communication capabilities
- No devices are allowed with communication ability, all communication should be done through the office.

If in doubt, ask. It is better to ask and have certainty than to hope to not be out of alignment with authority.

Antioch Christian Academy Dress Code Boys

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K-2 nd Grade: Monday thru Friday
3 rd -12 th Grade: Monday thru Friday Except for Chapel Days

Hair:

- Hair length may vary, but please no hairstyles that get in the eyes or impede hearing.
- No hairstyles that draw unnecessary attention
- No unnatural hair colors

Shirts:

- Polos, T-shirts, sweaters, hoodies, or jackets may be worn
- No tank tops, sleeveless shirts, spaghetti straps, or razor-backs are allowed at any time
- No torn, frayed, see-through, low-cut, midriffs seen, or inappropriate messages

Pants:

- Jeans, slacks, cargoes, and dress pants may be worn.
- No tears or frays
- No writing on the seat on pants
- No athletic pants or sweatpants, except on relaxed Fridays
- Students 5th grade and up may change into athletic attire for PE

Shorts:

- Denim, dress shorts, and cargo shorts may be worn.
- No tears or frays
- No athletic shorts, except on relaxed Fridays and must be knee-length.
- No writing on the seat of the shorts
- Length must be to the knee or no more than 2 inches from the knee

Shoes:

- Appropriate for weather AND school activities
- No flip-flops

Hats:

- No hats, beanies, stocking caps, etc during the school day.
- No inappropriate messages on hats.

Jackets:

- No inappropriate messages.

Kindergarten

- Send an extra set of clothes and underwear with students each day in case of accidents

3 rd -12 th Grade: Chapel Attire
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Our students are encouraged to put forth excellence in their dress for chapels, in order to show their honor and respect for worship, God's Word, and their personal relationship with him.

Shirts:

- Button-down dress shirt, polo shirt, or other dress shirt
- Tie is encouraged but not required
- Vests with dress shirts, or sports coats are acceptable
- Shirts should be neat and wrinkle-free

Pants:

- Slacks dress denims, dress shorts, or other dress pants
- Must be worn with a belt

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Dress Code Violation(s)

If a student is not wearing the appropriate dress code as outlined by Antioch Christian Academy, the following steps will be taken.

- **1st Violation:** A documented notice will be given to the student describing the dress code violation, and parents will be notified, alternative clothing will be provided to the student if needed.
- **2nd Violation:** A notice will be given to the student describing the dress code violation, and parents will be notified, alternative clothing will be provided to the student if needed, and disciplinary action will follow.
- **3rd Violation:** A notice will be given to the student describing the dress code violation, and parents will be notified, alternative clothing will be provided to the student if needed, and stronger disciplinary action will follow, consistent with the discipline procedure documented in this handbook. If flagrant disregard for dress code continues, suspension or expulsion could be warranted.