CHRISTIAN ACADEMY UNIFORM POLICY Grades K-8 Christian Academy has adopted a uniform policy as a means of building character and distinction in the lives of the students. The policy is intended to serve as a tool to promote a student's self-respect, lessen peer pressure, maintain an atmosphere consistent with our instructional goals, promote unity among students, and to provide the opportunity for Christian Academy students to make a positive statement in our community. The only logo accepted on any blouses, shirts, sweaters, vests, and turtlenecks is the academic, athletic or fine arts logo.

Christian Academy requires that all students grades K-8 purchase one solid red and one solid navy collared polo style shirt with the Academic or Athletic Christian Academy logo.

Girls K-8 Girls attending Christian Academy may wear any of the following uniform options:

**Jumper** - A plaid (predominantly navy blue and/or red) or a solid navy blue or khaki jumper with a round or v-neck may be worn. Opaque leggings or bike shorts must be worn under the jumper. Leggings worn under jumpers should be of school colors.

**Slacks/Capris** - Solid navy blue or khaki slacks and capris may be worn. No leggings (as pants), yoga pants or sweat pants should be worn to school.

**Shorts** - K-5: Solid navy blue or khaki shorts no shorter than mid thigh may be worn. Girls should not wear athletic shorts or knit shorts to school. 6-8: Solid navy blue or khaki shorts that are knee length (Bermuda length -approximately 9-12 inches) may be worn. Girls should not wear athletic shorts or knit shorts to school.

**Skorts-** K-5: Solid navy blue or khaki skorts no shorter than mid thigh may be worn. 6-8: Solid navy blue or khaki skorts knee length or longer may be worn.

**Skirts-** K-5: Girls in grades K-5 are allowed to wear navy or khaki skirts no shorter than mid thigh in length. Opaque solid color leggings of school colors or bike shorts must be worn underneath. 6-8: Girls in grades 6-8 are allowed to wear navy or khaki skirts knee length or longer. Opaque solid color leggings of school colors must be worn underneath.

**Blouses and shirts** - Solid navy blue, red, or white shirts and blouses with a collar and sleeves may be worn. Appropriate red, white, or navy t-shirts may be worn underneath collared shirts. Christian Academy recommends that all shirts blouses be embroidered with the Academic or Athletic Christian Academy logo. Christian Academy requires that all students grades K-8 purchase one solid red and one solid navy collared polo style shirt with the Academic or Athletic Christian Academy logo. \*All shirts must be solid in color. No stripes or speckled fabrics are allowed. \*Sheer fabrics are not permissible. \*Students may be required to tuck in shirts for certain events.

**Socks & tights** - Socks worn to school must adhere to the school colors of red, white, and/or navy. Socks may also be black or grey. Tights should be solid red, white or navy.

**Shoes -** Closed toe and heel shoes in good repair must be worn at all times. Athletic shoes must be worn on the day of PE class. Sweater/Vests/Sweatshirts -

Sweaters/vests/sweatshirts may be navy blue, red, white or any combination of these colors.

These tops may be cardigan or pullover style. Students may also wear an approved CA Athletic Booster Club sweatshirt. No logo should be visible except the academic, athletic or fine arts school logo. A collared shirt must be worn under sweaters, vests and sweatshirts. 31

**Swimwear** – If there is a field trip, activity or party, girls have the option of wearing a modest one piece swimsuit or a tankini. If there are any questions regarding a swimsuit, please ask an administrator.

**Accessories** – Girls may wear accessories that are in keeping with the school colors of red, white and/or navy. No hats are to be worn in the building.

## Boys K-8

Boys attending Christian Academy may wear any of the following uniform options:

**Pants** - Boys may wear solid navy blue or khaki pants. No sweat pants or athletic gear should be worn to school.

**Shorts** - K-5: Solid navy blue or khaki shorts no shorter than mid thigh may be worn. Boys should not wear athletic shorts or knit shorts to school. 6-8: Solid navy blue or khaki shorts that are knee length (Bermuda length -approximately 9-12 inches) may be worn. Boys should not wear athletic shorts or knit shorts to school.

**Shirts** - Solid navy blue, red, or white shirts with a collar and sleeves must be worn. Appropriate red, white, or navy t-shirts may be worn underneath collared shirts. Christian Academy recommends that all shirts have the academic, athletic or fine arts logo.

Christian Academy requires that all students grades K-8 purchase one solid red and one solid navy collared polo style shirt with the Academic or Athletic Christian Academy logo.

\*All shirts must be solid in color. No stripes or speckled fabrics are allowed. \* Sheer fabrics are not permissible. \*Students may be required to tuck in shirts for certain events.

**Socks** - Socks worn to school must adhere to the school colors of red, white, and/or navy. Black and grey socks are also permissible.

**Shoes** - Closed toe and heel shoes in good repair must be worn at all times. Athletic shoes must be worn on the day of PE class.

**Sweaters/Vests/Sweatshirts** - Sweaters/vests/sweatshirts may be navy blue, red, white or any combination of these colors. These tops may be cardigan or pullover style. Students may also wear an approved CA Athletic Booster Club sweatshirt. No logo should be visible except the academic, athletic or fine arts school logo. A collared shirt must be worn under sweaters, vests and sweatshirts.

## All Students Grades K-8 Outerwear for Girls and Boys

In colder weather, children may wear their regular jackets outside, but they should not be worn inside the building. Students may wear a hooded sweatshirt (or hoodie) inside the building as

long as it is in the school colors of navy blue, red and/or white, with no logo except for the school academic, athletic or fine arts logo. Students may also wear an approved CA Athletic Booster Club sweatshirt.

A collared shirt must be worn underneath.

## **Game Day Dress**

Athletes should wear khaki pants and a team t-shirt. If a team t-shirt is not available, the CA spirit shirt can be worn. Athletes should follow this guideline unless given other directions from their coach. CA issued sweat suits may be worn if directed by the coach.

## Appearance •

Modesty should be the key when making clothing choices.

- The Christian Academy emblem is the only visibly accepted emblem to be worn on clothing. Girls may wear light makeup and age- appropriate jewelry, none of which should cause excessive attention to one's self.
- No facial or tongue piercings are allowed.
- Boys are not allowed to wear earrings, makeup or nail color.
- Hair—Boys should have clean-cut hairstyles that are not excessively long. Bangs cannot cover the eyes and hair 32 cannot be longer than chin length or it must be neatly pulled back.
- Facial hair should be kept short, well groomed and neatly trimmed.
- Students are only allowed to wear jewelry that is in keeping with and in support of Christian ideals.
- No students should wear their hair in a way that draws unnecessary attention to one's self. Hats should not be worn in the building.
- Sheer fabrics are not permissible.
- All clothing should be in good repair (no holes, rips or tears).

# Final discretion and decisions about appearance lie with the administration of the school.

## **CA Spirit Day**

Every Friday is CA Spirit Day. On this day, students can wear an approved Christian Academy spirit t-shirt. CA sprit shirts proudly display the Christian Academy logo (academic, athletic, fine arts) and/or the words "Christian Academy" and can be worn with jeans, which are neat in appearance (no holes, rips or tears) or other school approved bottom. This is a day to look forward to proudly showing school spirit by wearing approved Christian Academy attire. CA t-shirts may also be worn on appropriate field trips. Outerwear (hoodies, sweatshirts, jackets) should be in the red, white and/or navy color scheme. Students may also choose to wear an approved CA Athletic Booster Club sweatshirt. Any student not in spirit attire should be in regular school uniform.

#### **Dress Down Days**

Dress Down Days are planned in conjunction with special events. Students may wear their choice of clothing. Otherwise stated uniform guidelines are still to be followed. This includes, but is not limited to:

• Short length should follow stated guideline (this includes athletic shorts). • Leggings should not be worn as pants.

Leggings should only be worn under tunic tops, skirts or dresses knee length or longer. Yoga pants or thin knit pants should not be worn to school.

- Pajama pants should not be worn as pants.
- Tank tops or sleeveless tops should not be worn (sleeves are required).
- Undergarments should not be visible.
- Sheer fabrics are not permissible.
- All clothing should be in good repair (no holes, rips or tears).
- T-shirts must not be in opposition to Christian values.
- No flip-flops or open toe/heel shoes are allowed for grades K-8.
- Skirts/dresses: Skirts or dresses can be worn on dress down days.
- **Girls K-5:** Skirts/dresses should be mid thigh or longer. Bike shorts or opaque leggings must be worn underneath
- **Girls 6-8**: Skirts/dresses should be knee length or longer. Opaque leggings must be worn underneath.

### **Uniform Policy**

It is important that the established uniform policy be accepted and enforced consistently by the student and the parent. Disregard of the uniform policy may result in disciplinary action. Final discretion and decisions about uniform policy lie with the administration of the school. It is each student's responsibility to follow the uniform policy at all times.

## HANDLING DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Homeroom teachers are responsible to handle dress code violations at the beginning of the school day. In grades K to 5, teachers will be expected to contact parents regarding the uniform violation. Teachers may make the decision to call parents to bring appropriate clothing to school. Teachers should record any uniform violations on a purple form and keep on file in the classroom. For middle school, no warnings will be issued. Any student in violation of the dress code will be sent to the front office to call home. A parent will be required to bring the appropriate clothing to school before the student will be allowed to return to the classroom. The teacher identifying the violation will complete a discipline form. The form should be turned in to the Dean of Students to be kept on file.