### **Student Dress Code 2023-24**

The goals of the student dress expectations are to create a healthy educational atmosphere and to teach self care and care for others. As a Christian school we want to teach modesty and avoid divisive or inappropriate messaging. The following are requirements:

## Modesty

- Chest, stomach, shoulders, back, waist, and bottom must be covered whether you are standing, sitting, stretching, bending over, etc. (e.g., tank tops or crop tops may not be worn)
- Dresses and skirts must reach at least mid thigh.
- Undergarments must not be visible when you are standing, sitting, stretching, or bending over, including when seated in a dress or skirt.
- Shorts must have a minimum inseam of 5 inches or reach at least mid thigh.
- Students may not wear torn or ragged clothing, sleepwear, or ripped/holey pants. Slightly distressed jeans or shorts may be worn.
- If leggings are worn, your top must be long enough to completely cover your bottom while standing, sitting, stretching, or bending over.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.

#### Messaging

- Clothing with inappropriate or divisive messaging may not be worn (e.g., clothing that promotes illegal substances or behaviors, violence, the military, political agendas, etc.).
- Digitized (military style) camouflage is not permitted.

### **Accessories**

- Hats, hoods, sunglasses, and other similar items may not be worn without administrator approval.
- Earbuds and headphones are only allowed by teacher permission in their classroom, otherwise they are not allowed during school hours.

Exceptions to any of the above requirements need to be approved by the administration.

We have received, read, and agree to abide by these Dress Code Requirements.

# Consequences per semester

- 1st offense: Homeroom teacher will communicate with student, parent/guardian, and office.
- 2nd offense: \$5 fine paid to the office as a donation to Compassion Club. Administration will communicate with student and parent/guardian.
- 3rd and subsequent offenses: \$10 fine paid to the office as a donation to Compassion Club and detention. Communication with student and parent. Additional consequences may apply at the discretion of the administration.

For all offenses students may be required to replace, remove, or cover clothing item(s) in violation of dress code. T-shirts and sweatpants will be made available by the office.

While we do not require uniforms or a specific type of dress clothes, research shows that what we wear does affect our behaviors, attitudes, how we feel about ourselves, and how others feel about us. Therefore, we encourage students to dress nicely and neatly. Slacks, jeans, dresses, blouses, collared shirts, etc. are examples of this. When wearing more casual clothing, please take care to look nice and neat as one part of helping yourself do your best.

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