

2021 -2022 Grace Christian Academy K- 5th Grade Dress Code

GCA student dress is expected to be modest and in keeping with Christian principles. “Modest” means that clothing is loose fitting and covers the body according to directions below. Violation of any portion of the dress code may result in disciplinary action, with or without warning. GCA Dress Code aspires to create a look that is academically focused, characterized by confidence and comfort.

SHIRTS

Uniform pieces are expected to fit correctly without being oversized, too tight, or worn as jackets. All shirts must have a collar. Shirts are to be in good condition, free from rips, holes, and tears. Shirts may be worn untucked. However, at no time should the midriff be visible, including when the student is reaching up. If the administration deems an untucked shirt to be too short, the student may be asked to tuck the shirt in or put on an undershirt.

Oxford Cloth Button Down – White only. Short or long sleeved (no emblems)

Polo Style Shirts - White or navy. Short or long sleeved (with collar and placket). Polos of any other color **MUST** be purchased from the designated section of the GCA Online school store. Plain, **NO** manufacturer’s logo. Polo shirts with the GCA Eagle logo or Crest are allowed.

Turtlenecks and Under Shirts – Solid navy or white. Short or long sleeved. Undershirts of any brand must be worn under a uniform shirt.

SHORTS AND PANTS

Shorts – Navy or khaki (tan or stone). Elastic waist or belt loop styles. No more than 2” above the knee; expected to be worn at the waist without being oversized or too tight. Knit shorts are appropriate. Shorts are to be in good condition, free from rips, holes, and tears. Belts are not required.

Pants – Navy or khaki (tan or stone). Elastic waist or belt loop styles. Expected to be worn at the waist without being oversized or too tight. Girls may wear regular or capri length. Knit pants are appropriate. Pants are to be in good condition, free from rips, holes, and tears. Belts are not required.

Jumpers (Girls only) – Navy, Khaki (tan or stone or plaid). May be worn with a white Peter Pan collared short or long-sleeved shirt (no more than 2” above the knee in front and back).

Polo /Safari Style Dress (Girls only)– Navy or white. Short or long sleeved, with collar and placket (no more than 2” above the knee in front and back), no emblems. Knit dresses are allowed.

Skirts and Skorts (Girls Only) – Navy, Khaki (tan or stone). Elastic waist or belt loop styles no more than 2” above the knee in front and back. Tights and ankle length leggings are to be worn under a jumper or skirt and cannot be worn as pants.

Bloomers/Shorts – Navy, Khaki (tan or stone) or white. Must be worn under jumpers, skirts, or dresses (should not be seen below the hemline).

Leg wear – Solid navy or white. Tights and ankle length leggings (to be worn under a jumper or skirt). Tights and ankle length leggings are to be worn under a jumper or skirt and cannot be worn as pants.

SHOES

Closed toe, neat, and clean. Athletic shoes or dress casual shoes are allowed. Shoes may be any color. No western style boots, Crocs, Flip Flops, slippers or slip-on shoes with a back strap allowed.

SOCKS

Worn at all times in any style or color.

BELTS

Not required. If worn, Black or brown only. No ribbons, scarves, or other items worn as belts.

OUTERWEAR

Navy only. Sweaters, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, full-zip jacket, hoodies, or crew-neck sweatshirt – Plain, No manufacturer's logo. Outerwear with the GCA Eagle logo or Crest is allowed.

Outerwear of any other color MUST be purchased from the designated section of the GCA online school store. Hoodies may be worn at school. However, hoods are not to be worn inside the school building. Collared shirts must still be worn, even if outerwear is worn as part of the school uniform. Hats, scarves, and gloves (only worn outside the building) - can be worn in any style and color.

Rain jackets with hoods may be worn, though expected to be removed while in the building.

HAIR

Boys – Clean and neat. Natural color (Brown Black, Blonde, Red). Cut above the collar in the back, combed out of the eyes in the front. Short braids or twists for afro-textured hair is allowed. No hair bands/rubber bands/ clips allowed.

Girls – Clean and neat. Natural Color (Brown Black, Blonde, Red). No distracting styles.

FRIDAY DRESS DAYS

Fridays are a casual dress day. Students may wear any GCA t-shirt. Students who participate in the PTO Jeans Day Fundraiser, may wear jeans on Friday. Jeans are expected to be worn at the waist without being oversized or too tight. Girls may wear regular or capri length. Jeans are to be in good condition, free from rips, holes, and tears. All other students will be asked to wear normal school approved pants.

No sweatpants (or sweatpant-like pants), joggers, athletic shorts, pajamas, or scrubs. Except on designated Spirit Days

GCA Administration has the final word on a student's dress for the school day and school events and reserves the right to change the dress code during the school year and to provide guidelines for events. Any exceptions must be approved ahead of time by administration.