



FAMILIES OF FAITH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

DRESS CODE POLICIES

We want to create a good self-image in a child, which is vital to good Christian growth. To do this, we feel that we must encourage cleanliness and dress that is becoming too young ladies and gentlemen, in accordance with the principles of modesty which are set forth in Scripture. Students should dress in a way that neither dishonors God nor draws attention to themselves. FOCA has established a Uniform Program to better the learning environment for our students.

When a child is in violation, the following procedure will be followed:

1. **First Offense:** You will receive a Uniform Notice Form explaining the dress code violation.
2. **Second Offense:** You will receive a Uniform Notice Form explaining the dress code violation.
3. **Third Offense:** Student will receive a detention and will be required
4. **Fourth Offense:** The parent will receive a call from a staff member, and the child will remain in the office until he/she is in proper dress code.

The dress standards, which follow, are intended as expressions of those principles. They are not designed to promote legalism nor regimentation. Fads or extremes of any kind in dress or hairstyles are not acceptable and will require corrective action by the administration. It is the parents' responsibility to see that their student is dressed properly according to the dress code for school before leaving home each day.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 1) All DAILY and MANDATORY DRESS uniforms must be purchased from French Toast or Lands End uniform departments ONLY! *Shoes, belts, socks, tights/hose for the Daily Uniform may be purchased elsewhere.*

Lands End	1-800-469-2222	www.landsend.com/school	School number: 9001-1447-1
French Toast	1-800-373-6248	www.FrenchToast.com	School number: QS5UUKR
- 2) Spirit Wear purchased through FOCA (t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, etc.) may be worn as regular school uniform.
- 3) Sloppy, "grubby", oversized, or frayed clothing as well as clothing worn inside-out is not acceptable.
- 4) Extreme clothing styles are not acceptable. No extreme make-up styles may be worn.
- 5) Hats may NOT be worn during school hours.
- 6) Chains or jewelry indicating gang affiliation may NOT be worn at anytime.
- 7) Tattoos are not permitted. Tattoos (including non-permanent tattoos), body painting or drawing are not to be visible during school hours or when a student is representing the school at a school function. Facial and hair paint is allowed when showing school spirit at athletic games.
- 8) Piercings: Boys are not to wear earrings. Students are not to wear nose rings, or body-piercing jewelry of any sort during school hours or when representing the school at a school function. Girls are permitted to wear earrings no larger than a quarter.
- 9) If the pants, shorts, or skirt has belt loops, a belt is required.

HAIR

- 1) Extreme haircuts or coloring will be deemed unacceptable at the discretion of the administration.
- 2) Hair on boys is to be off the collar in a sitting posture and no longer than the bottom of the ear when hanging freely over the ears.
- 3) Students should be clean shaven; no beards, moustaches or sideburns below the ears are permitted for students.
- 4) Students in violation of the hair code will have three calendar days (one for facial hair violations), including the day of notice to correct the problem. Penalties will apply for failure to do so.

INCLIMATE WEATHER

- 1) Please purchase clothing appropriate for cold weather.
- 2) No coats may be worn during school.
- 3) If a student is NOT dressed warmly enough, they will be given a sweat shirt from the office and the parent will be charged \$18.

MANDATORY DRESS DAYS

- 1) All students participating in any athletic activities must be in Mandatory Dress Uniform on those days.
- 2) Mandatory dress is required on most all Chapel days (Fridays) and on some Special Assembly days.
- 3) Parents will be notified of other Mandatory Dress Days.
- 4) Specifics for Girls:
 - a. Skirts or Dresses are to be worn at a modest length (no more than one inch above the knee).
 - b. All tops are to be buttoned modestly; they may not be low cut, form-fitting, or see-through.
 - c. Tops which do not tuck in must not expose the stomach or back at any time. There are two ways to confirm that the midriff will not be exposed:
 1. The bottom of the shirt must overlap the top of the skirt when the girl raises her hands above her head,
 2. The girl must be able to tuck in her top and have it stay in if she were asked to do so.
 - d. Sleeveless tops will only be permitted if undergarments are not visible.
 - e. Spaghetti straps and tank tops are NOT permitted.
 - f. Undergarments are not to be visible or noticeable at any time.
 - g. Low riding slacks or skirts are not acceptable.

SHOES

- 1) Shoes must be clean, plain and in good repair.
- 2) Shoes must be plain dress shoes, loafers, or flats.
- 3) Acceptable colors are navy, black, or dark brown.
- 4) Gym shoes may be worn only during Physical Education class time. They must be non-marking, non-black sole indoor athletic shoes only.

UNIFORM GUIDELINES

Grade specific details on the next three (3) pages.

UNIFORM GUIDELINES (Kindergarten – Fifth Grade)

GIRLS

GIRLS K-5	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	Light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	Light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve (optional).
PANTS*	Navy cargo, capri, flat front, or pleated pants.	N/A
SHORTS*	Navy walking or cargo. (no more than four inches above the knee)	N/A
SOCKS/ TIGHTS	Navy socks with shoe with laces. Optional with non-lace up shoes.	Navy tights. (no design or cable knit)
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers/flats.	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoe. (no open or low-closed back) (no sandals, boots, or gym shoes)
SKIRTS*	Navy skort (any style).	Navy French Toast kick pleat scooter. (no more than one inch above the knee)
OPTIONAL*	Navy cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color (grades 1-5)	Smooth/ must match shoe color (grades 1-5)

BOYS

BOYS K-5	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	Light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	Light blue long-sleeved button collar Oxford. (may be purchased from any store)
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve (optional).
PANTS*	Navy cargo, flat front, or pleated pants.	Navy pleated or flat front chinos/pant.
SHORTS*	Navy walking or cargo.	N/A
TIE	N/A	Navy plain tie
SOCKS	Navy	Navy
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers.	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes. (no boots or gym shoes)
OPTIONAL*	Navy cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color (grades 1-5)	Smooth/ must match shoe color (grades 1-5)

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UNIFORM GUIDELINES (Sixth – Eighth Grade)

GIRLS

GIRLS 6-8	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	White or light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	Light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve (optional).
PANTS*	Navy cargo, cropped, flat front, or pleated pants.	N/A
SKIRTS*	Navy skort (any style).	Navy French Toast kick pleat scooter. (no more than one inch above the knee)
SHORTS*	Navy walking, bermuda, or cargo. (no more than four inches above the knee)	N/A
SOCKS TIGHTS/HOSE	Navy or White socks with shoe with laces. Optional with non-lace up shoes.	Navy tights.
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers/flats.	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoe. (no open or low-closed back) (no sandals, boots, or gym shoes)
OPTIONAL*	Navy cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color.	Smooth/ must match shoe color.

BOYS

BOYS 6-8	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	White or light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	Light blue long-sleeved button collar Oxford. (may be purchased from any store)
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve (optional).
PANTS*	Navy cargo, flat front, or pleated pants.	Navy pleated or flat front chinos/pant.
SHORTS*	Navy walking or cargo.	N/A
SOCKS	Navy.	Navy.
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers/flats.	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoe. (no open or low-closed back) (no sandals, boots, or gym shoes)
OPTIONAL*	Navy cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color.	Smooth/ must match shoe color.
TIE	N/A	Navy plain tie.

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UNIFORM GUIDELINES (Ninth – Twelfth Grade)

GIRLS

GIRLS HS	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	White, navy, or light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	Shirt of own choosing. (must follow specifications found in Handbook)
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve (optional).
PANTS*	Khaki cargo, cropped, flat front, or pleated pants.	N/A
SKIRTS*	Khaki knee length skirt.	Dress/skirt of own choosing. (must follow specifications found in Handbook)
SHORTS*	Khaki walking, bermuda, or cargo. (no more than four inches above the knee)	N/A
TIGHTS/HOSE	Navy or White socks with shoe with laces. Optional with non-lace up shoes.	Navy or White tights.
SOCKS		
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers/flats.	Navy, dark brown, or black dress flats, heels or clean, dress sandals. (no flip flops, jellies or house slippers)
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color.	Smooth/ must match shoe color.
OPTIONAL*	Navy or light blue cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.

BOYS

BOYS HS	DAILY UNIFORM	MANDATORY DRESS DAYS
SHIRTS*	White, navy, or light blue short or long sleeve Polo shirt.	White long-sleeved button collar Oxford. (may be purchased from any store)
UNDERSHIRTS	White short or long sleeve shirts under the Polo. (mock or regular turtlenecks are allowed) NO writing or logos.	White short sleeve.
PANTS*	Khaki flat front, pleated or cargo.	Khaki flat front or pleated chinos/pant.
SHORTS*	Khaki walking or cargo.	XXX
TIE	N/A	Student choice of tie, in good taste.
SOCKS	Tan or dark socks with pants. White socks with shorts.	Dark.
SHOES	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoes/loafers/flats.	Navy, dark brown, or black plain dress shoe. (no open or low-closed back) (no sandals, boots, or gym shoes)
SPIRIT WEAR	Navy or light blue t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies (purchased through FOCCA)	N/A
BELTS	Smooth/ must match shoe color.	Smooth/ must match shoe color.
OPTIONAL*	Navy or light blue cardigan, cable hoodie, zip front cardigan.	Navy cardigan.

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