



# RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## DRESS CODE STANDARDS

The Ringwood Christian School Dress Code has been developed using the following guidelines:

- Is it Christ-honoring?
- Is it attractive, yet not bringing undo attention to an individual?
- Does it avoid extremes?
- Is it appropriate for the occasion?
- Is it neat and modest?
- Is it comfortable, yet conducive to study and school work?
- Does it meet reasonable standards of health and safety?



While we recognize that true Christianity is a matter of the heart and not of outward appearance, it is nonetheless true that our appearance is important. We note that the Holy Spirit caused Paul to tell Timothy that women are to adorn themselves in modest apparel (I Tim. 2:9). Peter was led to remind us that our adornment should reflect the heart attitude (I Pt. 3:3,4). In I Thess. 5:22 we are instructed to abstain from the appearance of evil, and it goes without argument that dress and grooming can certainly give the appearance of evil. We are exhorted to do **ALL THINGS TO THE GLORY OF GOD** (I Cor. 10:31).

## SPECIFICS OF DRESS

|  | STANDARD OF DRESS   | Examples of Acceptable   | Examples of Unacceptable  |
|--|---|--|---|
| <b>SHIRTS<br/>TOPS<br/>BLOUSES</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper fit</li> <li>• Collared</li> <li>• "Tucked In" - Blouses / shirts with tails or unfinished bottoms</li> <li>• "Untucked" - golf or knit shirts or shirts with a straight bottom</li> <li>• With hands raised <u>fully</u> above the head, shirt remains over waist of pants or skirt</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dress shirt, blouse</li> <li>• Golf shirt</li> <li>• Turtleneck (mock or traditional)</li> <li>• Knit shirt</li> <li>• Collar openings must be modest</li> <li>• Shirts worn as an over blouse to a tank top or other such shirt must be buttoned up</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tank top or tops with similar shoulder straps</li> <li>• T-shirt</li> <li>• Muscle shirt</li> <li>• Camouflage design</li> <li>• Professional team jersey</li> </ul>   |
| <b>SLACKS<br/>PANTS</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper fit</li> <li>• Traditional cut</li> <li>• Any solid color</li> <li>• Straight legged or slight flair</li> <li>• Belted if looped and shirt is tucked in</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dress slacks</li> <li>• Chinos/khakis</li> <li>• Corduroy</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baggy, too tight, too long, frayed or ripped</li> <li>• Jeans</li> <li>• Blue or black denim</li> <li>• Sweat pants</li> <li>• Jogging pants</li> <li>• Cargo pants</li> <li>• Leggings or "skinny" pants</li> </ul> |
| <b>DRESSES<br/>SKIRTS<br/>JUMPERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper fit</li> <li>• Proper length               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hemline is to be no shorter than 2" above the natural crease at the back of the knee even if the girl is wearing leggings or other type of legwear</li> <li>– A slit may not proceed further than 2" above the crack of the knee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Denim skirts and jumpers are allowed</li> <li>• Skirt with a collared top</li> <li>• IF the dress does not have a collar, there must be a very modest neckline</li> <li>• Sleeveless dresses with the top of the shoulder covered</li> </ul>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A neckline that is not modest</li> </ul>   |
| <b>OUTERWEAR<br/>(not including coats)</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper fit</li> <li>• If hooded, hood is not to be worn indoors</li> <li>• No hats inside</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sweater</li> <li>• Vest</li> <li>• Sweatshirt (over a collared shirt)</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coats/jackets worn inside the building</li> <li>• Inappropriate logos or advertising</li> </ul>  |

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## Standards of Dress

|   | <b>STANDARD OF DRESS</b>   | <b>Examples of Acceptable</b>   | <b>Examples of Unacceptable</b>  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <b>FOOTWEAR</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper fit</li> <li>• Has a back or back strap</li> <li>• Comfortable</li> <li>• Safe</li> <li>• Heels no higher than 2"<br/><i>**Keep in mind that open-toed shoes are not necessarily the safest.</i></li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dress shoes</li> <li>• Sneakers</li> <li>• Sandals with a back strap</li> <li>• Shoelaces tied properly</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beach shoes</li> <li>• Slippers</li> </ul>  |
| <b>JEWELRY</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe</li> <li>• Healthy</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modest jewelry</li> <li>• Pierced ears (girls)</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any part of the body pierced except for the ear (girls only)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>HAIR<br/>NAILS<br/>MAKEUP</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hair must be clean and neat</li> <li>• Boys must have a hair cut that               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Is above the collar when he is standing</li> <li>– Is above the eyes</li> <li>– Does not cover the ear</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Boys must be clean shaven</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nails that are reasonably short and without artificial extensions. (This is a safety and health issue.)</li> <li>• Make-up that is not noticeable</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hair coloring / dying / streaking / bleaching</li> <li>• Tattoos and other body decorating</li> <li>• Extreme styles</li> <li>• Beards or mustaches</li> </ul>  |
| <b>SPECIAL OCCASION</b><br>• Contests<br>• Special Field Trip or Occasion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Dress, skirt &amp; blouse or jumper</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Boys               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Dress shirt, tie, and slacks</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dress Shoes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Boys               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dark-colored sneakers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gym shoes/white sneakers</li> </ul>   |
| <b>SPECIAL FALL AND SPRING ATTIRE</b><br><br>(Sept. & June)               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper Fit</li> <li>• Traditional Cut</li> <li>• Belted if looped and shirt is tucked in</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GIRLS - Capris               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Capris that are below the knee and above the ankle</li> </ul> </li> <li>• BOYS - Shorts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Walking shorts</li> <li>– Uniform shorts</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baggy, too tight, too long, frayed or ripped</li> <li>• Jeans</li> <li>• Blue or black denim</li> <li>• "Sweat" material</li> <li>• Jogging material</li> </ul> |

**REMEMBER** — The Dress Code is to be enforced by the parent and supervised by the school staff.

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