

# DRESS CODE

## Philosophy and Rationale

The dress code at Trinity is designed to promote modesty (1Cor 6:19-20) and a healthy learning environment. The commitment and cooperation from our school parents/guardians is essential for our policy to be successful. Parents/guardians should carefully read through the dress code with their children, and should be vigilant in ensuring the children are following the dress code requirements each morning as they prepare for school. It is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to ensure their children comply with this policy.

Trinity Freistadt has adopted a practice that requires students in grades 1 through 8 to wear some prescribed clothing. Attractive school clothing promotes school spirit, inclusion, and a sense of family, while maintaining a neat appearance of the student body. This wardrobe further identifies students as members of the school community and fosters a spirit of cooperation, participation, and safety.



### ALL STUDENTS

#### Footwear

- Shoes must be worn with socks or tights at all times (exception: sandals)
- No flip flops, or athletic slides
- Heeled shoes must be less than 1" high

#### Hair, Makeup, General Hygiene, and Accessories

- Students should come clean and fresh, ready for the school day
  - Students with ongoing observable issues with odor, appearance, or other hygienic concerns will not be permitted in class.
- Hair shall be of a natural color only (does not include white or grey)
- No excessive jewelry
- No hats or accessories that cover the entire head, including hoodies (hair bands for girls are acceptable)
- No visible tattoos or writing on skin

#### Boys

- Hair shall be neatly kept and above the shoulders (no facial hair)
- No hair designs (buzzed or shaved markings), mohawks, or ponytails
- No earrings or piercings

#### Girls

- Bangs shall not be below eyebrows
- Light makeup is acceptable for grades 4 and up
- Earrings shall not exceed 1" in length
  - No additional piercings (nose, lips, etc.)

### EARLY CHILDHOOD DRESS CODE (3K THROUGH KINDERGARTEN)

#### Tops

- Tops must be neat and clean with no rips, frays, or tears
- Tops must be modest
- Tops may be t-shirts, sweaters, button-downs, blouses, or sweatshirts. Athletic fabric shirts such as dri-fit, clima-cool, etc. are appropriate; sports jerseys are not permitted.
- Tops must have appropriate writing, images, or messages.
  - Shirts/tops that are not in dress code include, but are not limited to shirts/tops with: Any band or musical group; Any negative or illicit writing/messaging
- Trinity PE clothing is not acceptable outside of PE class

#### Bottoms

- Pants/shorts must be neat and clean with no rips, frays, or tears and worn at waist level
- Dresses/skirts must be no higher than 4" above the kneecap
  - Must not be skin tight
  - Pants, leggings, or shorts must be worn under all dresses.
- Pants/shorts may be of any material.
  - Shorts must be no higher than 4" above the kneecap and should be no lower than 2" below
  - Leggings and/or jeggings are considered undergarments and may only be worn along with a dress/skirt/short of appropriate length

### PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE (GRADES 1 THROUGH 8)

#### Tops

- Tops must be a solid red or navy short or long-sleeve polo, preferably the Trinity-issued Global Schoolwear shirt. This must be the base layer each day.
  - A solid white undershirt or long sleeve shirt may be worn underneath the polo.
- Additional outerwear may be worn over the polo if it is from Trinity's online Global Schoolwear store, or from the PTL Spiritwear catalogue.

#### Bottoms

- Permitted bottoms include only black, navy, or khaki pants, skirts, or shorts (plaid skirts and jumpers for girls are permitted through the school store only).
- Shorts and skirts must be no more than 4" above the knee (solid white, black, or navy leggings may be worn underneath skirts).
- All pants, skirts, and shorts must fit appropriately (no sagging, overly-tight, etc.). Spandex, jeans, jeggings, jean look-alikes, leggings, denim, baggy pants, sweat pants, athletic pants, jogging suits, tight fitting shorts/skirts are not part of the dress code.

### FRIDAYS

Polos may be worn but are not required on Fridays. Any Trinity Spiritwear, Global Schoolwear, or Trinity-related gear (VBS, athletics, cheer, etc.) may be worn as the base layer or outer layer. Dress code bottoms remain in effect unless otherwise noted.

### FREE DRESS DAYS

Free Dress Days will be a common occurrence throughout the school year, and include "Mission Mondays" as we support other ministries and non-profit organizations. Free Dress Day guidelines follow the Early Childhood Students code.

### DRESS CODE INFRACTIONS

Children who are not in dress code are subject to the following discipline policy:

1. First violation - warning and call home from teacher
2. Second violation - written documentation from the teacher
3. Third violation - loss of recess for one week, conversation with Principal, written documentation from Principal
4. Fourth and subsequent violation(s) - removal from class for each day in violation (students will be held out of class with an in-school suspension; students will be allowed to work but may not join their classmates for class, recess, or lunch)

\*This policy will reset at the end of each quarter.

*All items specified and not specified in this dress code are subject to the teacher's discretion and ultimately the discretion of the school Principal.*