

## DRESS CODE FOR ALL GRADES

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It is the desire of Greenleaf Friends Academy that our students live and conduct themselves in a manner that will be pleasing to God and glorifying to the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Standards for appearance are a means of building character and distinction in the lives of our students. The code is not intended to measure spirituality, but rather to serve as a tool in fostering the academic and character development of the students as they participate in the business of education. Appropriate dress shows respect and creates a positive impression for visitors to our campus. For this reason, GFA has the following dress code in place.

### **Code 1: Regular School and School-sanctioned Extra-curricular Activities**

1. All clothing is to be consistent with the school's stated policy.
2. Tank tops and double tank tops or any article of clothing that is revealing around the neck, shoulder, arm, or midriff must not be worn. Tank tops are permitted if another shirt covering the top of the tank is worn. Dress must be deemed appropriate by administration.
3. Pants/jeans must not allow skin or undergarments to be visible at any time and must not drag on the floor, be frayed, or have holes. NO baggy pants/jeans will be permitted. All clothing must be clean, properly fitting and have a finished edge.
4. Pants/jeans with belt loops require a belt to be worn.
5. Shorts/skorts for regular school wear must have a finished edge and must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
6. Skirts and dresses must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. Dresses and shirts for girls cannot have a low cut neckline, display cleavage, be considered tight or clingy, be sheer, allow any underclothing to be visible, or in any other way be considered immodest, according to school authority. A modestly cut dress or skirt is one that is meant to display femininity, yet not flaunt one's body immodestly.
7. Spandex and similar clothing must not be worn unless covered by clothing that meets the above criteria.
8. Fleece jacket, sweaters, vest or pullovers are permitted. Hoodies and sweatshirts are permitted.
9. Any clothing or accessories must not advertise any type of tobacco, alcoholic beverage, or drugs or have skulls or skeletons on them. They must not feature a logo or picture of a secular group or station, or which has an off-color, negative or questionable verse or saying. Items associated with gangs must not be worn.
10. No sweatpants, athletic shorts or pants are permitted. Pajama tops and bottoms and slippers are not permitted except on special dress-up days, i.e. Homecoming week. On game days, GFA sports jerseys are allowed.
11. Shoes must be worn at all times; sandals and flip flops in good condition are permitted in middle and high school. No flip flops or sandals without a secure strap over the top of the foot or heel in elementary for safety purposes.
12. Hats/hoods are not to be worn in school and are to be removed upon entering the school building during school hours. Failure to do so will result in confiscation of that item.
13. Other than a girl's ears, jewelry requiring body piercing may not be worn during school hours or at school sanctioned activities.
14. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings during school hours or when participating at school sanctioned activities.
15. Tattoos must be covered at all times.
16. Excessive or large chains or jewelry which may draw undue attention may not be worn.

17. Dress at the extra curricular activities will be in keeping with the activity.
18. Acceptable swimwear: modest suits for girls and swimming shorts for the boys. Girls who wear bikinis will be required to wear a dark colored t-shirt.
19. Hair will be worn in a conventional manner.
  - Extremes of color will not be permitted.
  - Hair will be kept out of eyes at all times.
  - For boys, hair length must not be disruptive to the learning environment. In the front, hair must be above the eyebrows. On the sides, hair can be no longer than the ear lobes. In the back, hair must be off the collar.

**Code II: School-sponsored Athletics and Physical Education.**

Same as before

**Code III: Dressy Occasions**

Same as before

**Code IV: Chapel Dress**

To encourage respect for worship as well as school unity and pride, chapel day is designated as a dress-up day for grades K-12.

**Boys**

The following are acceptable:

- Shirts with collars, ties
- Polo shirts or sweaters  
(All shirts designed to be buttoned need to be worn as such.)
- Mock turtleneck or turtleneck shirt
- Dress or nice casual pants or shorts

**Girls**

The following are acceptable:

- \*Dresses
- \* Blouses and skirts
- \* Dress pants with dress tops, i.e. blouses or sweaters