

# **Liberty Baptist Academy**

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# **Dress Code Policy**

## Girls:

- Skirts and jumpers may be worn in navy, khaki, gray, or black.\* The length of these garments must always extend to at least the bottom of the knee, whether the student is standing or sitting. They must be loose-fitting. Slits should come no higher than the bottom of the knee. We recommend purchasing garments with a large hem that can be let down as your child grows. Under their skirts/jumpers/dresses, elementary girls are asked to wear shorts that are not longer than the skirt.
- Blouses, polo shirts, and polo-style dresses may be any solid color. They must be loose-fitting and have sleeves and a collar. A modest neckline is always expected. Tank tops/undershirts should not have visible writing.
- In cold weather, tights and ankle length leggings with socks to the ankle may be worn.
- Either dress, loafer-style, or athletic shoes may be worn to class. All shoes must have at least a strap on the back. Sandals, if they have backs, are allowed for girls. Crocs and backless shoes are not permitted.
- Excessive make-up and jewelry should be avoided. Girls below 7<sup>th</sup> grade are not allowed to wear make-up. Earrings may be worn in ear lobes only. No other body piercings are acceptable. Counter-cultural trends, such as tattoos, spiked jewelry, "Gothic" make-up, skull/skeleton symbols, and the broken inverted cross sometimes called a "peace" symbol, as well as other symbols disrespectful to the cross of Christ or to Christianity, should not be worn on campus.

\*Kindergarten girls may also wear navy, khaki, gray, or black skorts (at least to the bottom of the knee).

#### Boys:

- Boys must wear full-length navy, khaki, gray, or black pants that do not have excessive pockets or zippers and that are not excessively baggy. No blue jeans (except when announced for special days). Sweatpants and jogger-style pants are not permitted.
- Polo, dress or Oxford shirts may be worn in any solid color and 1st through 12th grade boys are to keep them tucked in throughout the day except during recess. Undershirts should not have visible writing.
- Every boy in 1st grade through 12th grade must wear a belt with his school uniform. The end of the belt must not hang down below the rest of the belt when worn.
- Either dress, loafer-style, or athletic shoes may be worn to class; sandals, crocs, and backless shoes are not permitted.
- The only jewelry items that a boy may wear on campus are a watch, one bracelet, and one ring. Boys may not wear earrings or necklaces. Sweatbands may only be worn during physical education class. Make-up (including fingernail polish) is prohibited on boys. Counter-cultural trends, such as tattoos, a "Gothic" look, skull/skeleton symbols, and the broken inverted cross sometimes called a "peace" symbol, as well as other symbols disrespectful to the cross of Christ or to Christianity, should not be worn on campus.
- Hair should be above the eyebrows, off the collar and ears, and trimmed neatly on the sides. Top, sides and back should be blended. No spiked haircuts should be worn, and no designs should be cut into the hair. Traditional haircuts are required.

#### General:

- Hair color should be natural shades (no pinks, greens, blues, etc.). Styles such as "ombré", "dip dyed", or "fairy" hair are not allowed. Any highlights or colors should be blended for a natural look.
- No hats or hoods may be worn by students within the buildings (except when announced for special days).
- Clothing made of fabrics that appear faded, worn, or very wrinkled, and clothing with questionable messages, symbols, or pictures are not acceptable.
- Any jackets or sweaters worn within the buildings must be a solid color or two-tone, not a print.
- Any labels or writing should be smaller than roughly the size of a fist and be appropriate for a Christian school. Symbols that promote alcohol, secular entertainers, etc., would not be considered appropriate.
- P.E. uniforms for 7th grade and up shirts are to be purchased from the P.E. teacher or the academy office the first week of school. The shorts must be dark blue or black, solid, loose-fitting athletic shorts, and to the knee but can be purchased from any store.
- When announced, official "Trail Blazers" t-shirts sold through the academy will be allowed for field trips, field days, home sporting events and other special days - but only when announced - throughout the year.
- Athletic Dress (when permitted) knee-length, loose-fitting athletic shorts and loose-fitting t-shirt.
- Dress codes are to be followed at all school activities plays, programs, recitals, field trips, sporting events, etc. unless otherwise indicated by school authorities.

## Cell Phone/Smart Device Use:

• Cell phones and smart devices (iPads, tablets, smart watches, etc.) are not to be worn or used by students while on campus. All cell phones or smart devices (iPads, tablets, smart watches, etc.) are to be powered off and kept in the student's bookbag/locker.

#### Note:

• The administration reserves the right to determine whether an article of clothing, hairstyle, accessory, or fad of any kind is acceptable.