

PCA UNIFORM POLICY 2023-2024

The Pentecostal Christian Academy holds to a biblical worldview that shapes our conservative understanding of both gender and sexuality. We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct genders work together to reflect the image of God (Gen. 1:26-27). All PCA policies are intended to provide guardrails for students as they learn and grow in their faith and understanding of who they are as image bearers of God. Student clothing, hairstyles, and personal appearance should reflect their commitment to pursue lives built on and shaped by a biblical worldview as well as their commitment to abide by PCA policies. Believing that gender is not a choice, but instead biological by nature, students are expected to both dress and present themselves in a manner consistent with their God-created gender.

While the Scriptures do not give explicit instructions for one's apparel or hairstyle, we are instructed in the Scriptures that we should seek to honor Christ in our lives. Our appearance is a very integral part of our daily lives. The dress code is not created just for the purpose of having more rules for the student but is designed to exercise their ability to follow guidelines for acceptable dress in their future workplace. It should also be remembered that a part of our growth is submission to authority.

Dress Code Specifications

While on campus, students are expected to follow the dress code regardless of whether they are in class. All dress code policies are reviewed by the Advisory Committee (administrators, teachers, and student development designee).





Buttoned-down

- White
- Oxford (pointed collar) for boys
- Peter Pan (rounded collar) girls only
- Long sleeve (requires tie) or short sleeve
- With or without pockets
- Only the top button may be left unbuttoned
- Shirts must be tucked in by all male students
- Shirts cannot be worn as jackets



<u>Polo</u>

- White or burgundy
- Plain front
- Long or short sleeves
- With or without pockets
- Only the top button may be left unbuttoned



Pants/Shorts/Trousers

- Solid khaki or black in color.
- Cuffed or uncuffed; pleated/plain front
- Shorts are only allowed for K-5
- Leggings/tights: black, burgundy or white may be worn under dresses/shirts ONLY

PROHIBITED:

- Denim or stretch material
- Pants below the waistline
- Jogging or drawstring pants
- Tight fitting, body forming, hip huggers, or low rise



Skirts (Girls)

- Solid black, khaki, or PCA plaid
- Acceptable styles: box pleat, kilt, knife pleat, regular or straight
- Skorts are allowed only for K-3rd
- Length should be no shorter than fingertips with arms fully extended by their side

PROHIBITED:

- Slits in the front or back of the skirt
- Denim or stretch fabric



Dresses (Girls)

- Jumper or Polo style
- Solid black, burgundy, or PCA plaid
- Length should be no shorter than fingertips with arms fully extended by the sides of the body



A jacket is defined as any full-length zip or letterman-style button-down that is worn as an outer garment

Blazers, Coats, Jackets, and Raincoats

- Black or Burgundy blazers with PCA logo only
- Monogram lettering (not exceeding 4 inches) is permitted on blazers or jackets
- 4th-12th graders are required to wear blazers/sports coats or cardigans/v-neck sweaters with shirt and necktie every 1st and 3rd Monday.

PROHIBITED:

Trench coats



Sweaters

- Black, burgundy, gray, or white
- Cardigan or pullover with a plain front
- Crew neck, scoop neck or v-neck
- Long or short sleeves
- Uniform shirts must be worn under all outer clothing

PROHIBITED:

Hoods



A pullover is defined as a button collar, quarter or half zip without a hood that is worn as an outer garment

Pullovers or **Sweatshirts**

Black, burgundy, or gray with PCA logo only



Footwear

- Solid color only in the following styles:
 - ✓ Wallabee
 - ✓ Sperry/Top-Sider
 - ✓ Loafer
 - ✓ Laced-dress shoes

PROHIBITED:

- Crocs, slippers, slides, or open-toed
- Composite or steel-toed
- · Cleats, lights, music, spikes, or wheels



Neckwear

- Bowtie, necktie, or cross tie
- Solid black, burgundy, or PCA plaid



Belts

- Solid black or brown
- Required for all male students
- Must be worn if a belt loop is present
- Buckle must not be distracting or offensive



Headgear and Piercings

 Girls only: headband must be solid black, burgundy, white, or khaki and be no more than 2 inches in width

PROHIBITED:

- Head scarfs, durags, bonnets
- Facial jewelry/piercings (eyebrow, lip, nose rings)
- Band-aids or other coverings to conceal piercings while on school property during school hours, or representing the PCA in any capacity

Designated Dress-Down Days

Only on specified days or weeks, students will be permitted to wear jeans or other clothing outside of the established PCA dress code. Clothing with rips, holes, frays/tatters, or tears are not permitted at any time.

Personal Appearance

Any form of dress, jewelry, make-up, hairstyle, hair coloring, or elements of personal appearance that are considered extreme, distracting, disruptive, or ungroomed is not permitted.

Dress Code Violations

Offense	Disciplinary Action
1 st	Student will be warned, written up, and are required to change. Parent(s) will be notified.
2 nd	Student will be written up and a parent conference is required.
3 rd	Student will be suspended for 3 days.

Notes

- * Athletic shoes are permitted during P.E. classes only
- * Hair (including facial hair) should always be neat, clean, and well groomed

