

UPPER SCHOOL DRESS CODE

TCA's dress code supports the school's mission and serves to:

- limit distractions in the learning environment
- reduce peer competition based on clothes, outward appearance, and affluence
- decrease focus on the superficial and emphasize focus on inner values and character
- enhance school spirit
- allow students the opportunity to demonstrate respect for leaders, policies, and boundaries
- support campus safety

Important Notes:

- Students are expected to be in dress code on the first day of school and each day of school thereafter, unless otherwise instructed by Administration.
- Dress code compliance is the responsibility of the TCA student and parent(s). Parent support is needed to make sure students are in dress code daily.
- Each Friday will be **Pride Day** (Go Lions!) unless posted otherwise. Students may wear TCA sweatshirts, T-shirts or hoodies with uniform bottoms on Fridays. Only school issued t-shirts or TCA t-shirts approved by area principals are permitted.
- One Friday per month will be designated as **Mission Pride Day**. Students may opt to wear jeans or solid (black or grey) or TCA athletic pants (no yoga pants, leggings, or tights) for a \$2 donation to support alumni missionaries or other mission endeavors.
- All uniforms, whether new or previously used, are to meet current dress code policy.
- Senior pictures must be taken in dress code to be published in the yearbook.
- No hoodie sweatshirts, including team sweatshirts, are allowed *except* on Fridays.
- **The Boys Hair, Mission Pride, and pants policies have been updated for the 2017/2018 school year.**

Important Reminders:

Leggings/Tights/Jeggings/Yoga Pants/Skinny Pants of any kind are **not allowed for students to wear as pants**. Girls may wear tights or black leggings underneath a uniform skirt that is the appropriate length.

Sweatshirts: No sweatshirt of any kind (including TCA sweatshirts) may be worn during the school day with the exception of Pride Day, Mission Pride Day, and other times designated by Administration. Team jerseys or a designated team shirt may be worn on GAME days that have been previously approved by the Athletic Department, except for Thursdays when chapel dress is always required. No hoodie sweatshirts, including team sweatshirts, are allowed *except* on Fridays.

Coats/Jackets - Non-TCA jackets are not to be worn during the school day. Non-TCA issued jackets should be placed in lockers at the beginning of the school day in cold weather and worn only when exiting the building. TCA athletic-team issued jackets that are primarily solid black, purple, or grey are acceptable (no camo or extreme patterns). TSSAA jackets are not school-issued and should not be worn during the school day. Black Parker fleece jackets are allowed.

GIRLS - Chapel/Special Assembly Uniform Guidelines:

Skort/Skirt – All skorts/skirts are to be approximately one inch from the top of the kneecap. Skorts are also available in tall sizes at the Parker Uniform Store. Tights/leggings may be worn under TCA skorts/skirts in the color ranges of white, black, grey, nude, and/or purple. All skirts/skorts must be Parker issued.

Blouses - Fitted white or black long or short sleeve, and white or black 3/4 sleeve shirts are allowed. White knit shirts are not acceptable for Chapel day. If a Parker Uniform black sweater is worn on chapel day, then a uniform blouse is to be worn underneath the sweater. It is also acceptable for a girl to wear the boys' style white or black oxford shirt.

Socks/Tights: Purple, black, grey, or white socks and tights are approved; natural colored tights/stockings are also acceptable. It is also acceptable to wear patterned socks that combine purple, black, grey, and/or white. The goal is to keep the color scheme of the uniform intact, but also to allow for individual choice/style. **Tights and leggings are not to be worn as pants at any time.**

Shoes - Shoes or boots are approved. Sandals with leather soles are allowed. Athletic shoes and non-dressy flip-flops are not acceptable as part of Chapel dress. Yellow Box shoes are acceptable

GIRLS - All Other Days Mix and Match Options

Skort/Skirt – All skorts/skirts are to be approximately one inch from the top of the kneecap to be in dress code. The goal for this requirement is modesty that promotes a respectful learning environment for all. Skorts are available in tall sizes at the Parker Uniform Store. Tights/leggings may be worn under a TCA skorts/skirts in the color ranges of white, black, grey, nude, and/or purple.

Pants/Capris/Shorts - Flat front khaki or black pants; pleated front khaki pants; flat front khaki capri; or khaki shorts; no cargo pants or shorts of any color or brand are allowed. No skinny jeans styles or legging type pants are allowed. Khaki uniform pants/shorts may be purchased from vendors other than the Parker Uniform Store as long as they reflect the same style, color and fit as the Parker uniform pants. Skinny or tight fitting pants are not allowed. **Leggings/Tights/Jeggings/Yoga Pants/Skinny Pants** of any kind are **not allowed for students to wear as pants.**

Blouses/Shirts - Fitted white or black (long or short sleeve); 3/4 sleeve white; purple, black or white knit (long or short sleeve) are acceptable. A solid white, black, gray, or purple t-shirt or camisole must be worn underneath white shirts or blouses. No hoodie sweatshirts, including team sweatshirts, are allowed *except* on Fridays. It is acceptable for a girl to wear the boys' style shirts for a better fit. Team coaches will collaborate with Administration and provide specific guidelines to athletes on what shirt is acceptable to wear on game days. Athletic jerseys and shirts should not be loaned out for others to wear at school.

Coats/Jackets - Non-TCA jackets are not to be worn during the school day. Parker Uniforms has a variety of approved jackets for TCA students. Non-TCA issued or Parker jackets should be placed in lockers at the beginning of the school day in cold weather and worn only when exiting the building. TCA athletic-team issued jackets are acceptable. TSSAA jackets are not school issued and should not be worn during the school day.

Sweater - Black v-neck or black twin set sweaters are approved; a uniform blouse is to be worn underneath sweaters.

Socks - Solid color socks or tights/leggings (purple, black or white) nude stockings are allowed. It is acceptable to wear patterned socks that combine purple, black, grey, and/or white. The goal is to keep the color scheme of the uniform in tact, but also to allow for individual choice.

Shoes - Any shoe, boot, or sandals with leather soles are acceptable. Basic flip-flops are not acceptable for uniform dress. Yellow Box and Chaco style shoes are approved.

Accessories - Fleece jacket w/logo and nylon anorak (black) Parker jackets and athletic team issued jackets are allowed. Sweatshirts are only permitted on FRIDAYS. No scarves may be worn with uniforms. Hats, caps, head wraps, and distracting head bands are not allowed during school hours.

Jewelry - Rings, necklaces, and earrings are to be tasteful and respectful. Studded jewelry, collars, and/or hair scarves are not allowed. Earrings are to be worn in the ear lobe with a maximum of two per ear while at school. Tattoos and/or body piercings – including but not limited to nose studs, nose rings, and tongue piercings – are not to be visible on campus.

Hair – Extreme hairstyles are not permitted.

BOYS - Required Chapel/Special Assembly or Event Uniform

Shirt – White or black oxford shirts w/logo are approved. T-shirts (Solid white, black, gray, or purple) may be worn under the uniform shirt. There should be no logos or writing on undershirts under white shirts. All shirts must be tucked in.

Pants - No cargo pants of any color or brand are allowed. No brown or dark khakis allowed; the color of non-Parker pants is to be similar in color to Parker uniform pants. Khaki uniform pants may be purchased from vendors other than the Parker Uniform Store as long as they reflect the same style, color and fit as the Parker uniform pant. Pants must reflect all three aspects mentioned to be considered in code. No brown or dark khakis allowed; the color of non-Parker pants is to be similar in color to Parker uniform pants. Other Trinity uniform pieces (tops and bottoms) must be from Parker School Uniforms.

Shoes – Black, brown, or tan shoes are acceptable. No athletic shoes or open toed shoes are allowed on chapel days for boys.

Tie - Student choice.

Belt - Black or brown belts are required. Boys' shirts are to be tucked in at all times on chapel day.

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Hair, Beards, and Sideburns - Facial hair is not permitted. Young men should be clean-shaven each day. Hair should be neatly groomed and clean. Hair should not extend over the eye, extend over the earlobe, or extend over the collar. Man buns, headbands, ponytails, mohawks or other extreme/distracting hairstyles are not permitted. This policy will be re-evaluated yearly based on our students' willingness to respect the code.

Jewelry - Earrings may not be worn to school or any school function. Necklaces must be tasteful. Tattoos and/or body piercings – including but not limited to nose studs, nose rings, and tongue piercings – are not to be visible on campus.

BOYS - All Other Days Mix and Match Options

Shirt - White short/long sleeve oxford w/logo, purple, black or white long/short sleeve knit w/logo blouses are allowed. T-shirts may be worn under the uniform shirt. These T-shirts should be solid white, black, gray, or purple. There should be no logos or writing on undershirts under white shirts. No hoodie sweatshirts, including team sweatshirts, are allowed *except* on Fridays. Short sleeve shirts may not be rolled. Belts must be worn when shirts are tucked in. Team coaches will collaborate with Administration and provide specific guidelines to athletes on what shirt is acceptable to wear on game days. Athletic jerseys and shirts should not be loaned out for others to wear at school.

Pants/Shorts – Flat front khaki; pleated front khaki pants; flat front khaki capri; or khaki shorts; no cargo pants/shorts of any color or brand are allowed. **No skinny jeans styles or legging type pants are allowed.** Khaki uniform pants/shorts may be purchased from vendors other than the Parker Uniform Store as long as they reflect the same style, color and fit as the Parker uniform. Pants must reflect all three aspects mentioned to be considered in code. No brown or dark khakis allowed; the color of non-Parker pants is to be similar in color to Parker uniform pants. Other Trinity uniform pieces (tops and bottoms) must be from Parker School Uniforms.

Shoes/Socks - Dress shoes, boots, Birkenstocks/Chacos style, or athletic shoes are allowed. No flip-flops. It is acceptable to wear patterned socks that combine purple, black, grey, and/or white. The goal is to keep the color scheme of the uniform intact, but to also allow for creativity.

Accessories- Black or brown belts must be worn when shirts are tucked in; sleeveless v-neck w/logo; fleece jacket w/logo; black crew neck sweater w/logo; tie (student choice). TCA Sweatshirts are permitted on FRIDAYS. Hats may not be worn during school hours.

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