



Jr/Sr High Campus Dress Code 2019/2020

Grace Brethren Dress Code

GBS bases its dress code upon two criteria:

- Biblical standards of modesty (1 Timothy 2:9, Romans 12:1)
- The desire for a neat, clean and attractive appearance, being courteous of our neighbors while avoiding extremes.

To maintain modesty, dress should be distinctly masculine or feminine. Students are not permitted to dress like the opposite gender (Deuteronomy 22:5). Dress and appearance codes will be enforced at all times including after school activities or any other school functions

We acknowledge that some of the specific standards below reflect community preferences and we in no way attempt to equate them to levels of spirituality.

Parental Note: GBS believes it is not only the school's responsibility to determine dress code, but also the student's and parent's responsibility to adhere to a dress code conducive to a proper learning environment.

1.General Dress Requirements

Shirts: All students must wear an unaltered Grace Brethren polo shirt to school each day. These can be purchased at the Grace Brethren Student Store.

Classroom Wear: Only Grace Brethren polo shirts, Grace Brethren sweatshirts and Grace Brethren jackets may be worn in the classroom. In times of inclement weather, students may wear non-uniform jackets outside of the classroom; however, once inside the classroom, jackets must be removed.

Outerwear: All sweatshirts must be Grace Brethren sweatshirts. Jackets may be worn on campus, but they must conform to the logo/graphic guidelines (see below). Only Grace Brethren sweatshirts and sweaters may be worn over a Grace Brethren polo. Seniors may wear college logo sweatshirts that clearly identify in writing a particular college or university.

No clothing may not have a camouflaged or plaid print.



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Logos/non-Grace Brethren Graphic Guidelines: Non-Grace Brethren jackets may not have a logo, manufacturer label or a non-Grace Brethren graphic greater than 1 square inch. Any outerwear which promotes Grace Brethren sports, clubs or other Grace Brethren organizations is allowed.

Pants And Shorts: Students may wear shorts, jeans or other types of pants of any color. However, they must be of a single uniform color, pattern (plaid or stripes are acceptable) or fade. No bleach marks, fade streaks, discoloration, holes or frays will be allowed at any time. Clothes may not have a camouflaged print.

Jeans must fit properly and may not be either excessively baggy or tight. Belts are preferred and students may be required to wear a belt if deemed appropriate by the Administration.

Shorts may not be excessively baggy or tight. All shorts must be no shorter than three inches above the kneecap. Students may not wear tights or yoga pants in an attempt to try to conform to the dress code.

Sweatpants, warm-ups, athletic shorts or recreational clothing may not be worn unless authorized by Administration.

Beach attire is not acceptable on campus. No board shorts, bathing suits, cut offs or other beach attire is not allowed.

Skirts and Dresses: Dresses and skirts are acceptable for girls but may be no shorter than three inches above the kneecap including any slits, even if tights and leggings are worn underneath. Any dress or skirt must be worn with a Grace Brethren polo.

Shoes: Shoes must be worn at all times. Closed toed shoes are recommended. All footwear must have a back or heel strap. Flip flops or slippers are not allowed at any time on campus. Heels on any shoe may not be higher than two inches.

Headwear: No hats, hoods or other headwear of any kind are allowed on campus during school hours. Winter headwear may be allowed during inclement weather but is subject to approval by the Administration.



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2. General Physical Appearance

Hair: Hair may only be subdued natural colors and must be well groomed and kept out of the face. Hairstyles and colors must be not extreme.

Tattoos and Piercings: No visible tattoos or body piercings, including nose piercings (covered or not), or gauges are permitted at any time. Girls may also wear earrings as long as they are not excessive or pose a distraction.

Jewelry or any other accessories: Sunglasses and headphones may only be worn outside. All other accouterments must be kept simple and non-distracting. Pendants or any other type of symbols must be representative of the characteristics as described in Philippians 4:8.

Specific Requirements for Boys:

- Hair may be no shorter than a #1 cut. Hair must not extend below the middle of the ear, below the eyebrow or over the top of the shirt collar. Hair may not extend out more than 4 inches from the head. Sideburns must be no lower than the bottom of the ear. Hair tinting, bleaching or tipping is not permitted.
- Students' faces must be clean-shaven
- Earrings for boys are never allowed while on campus or while attending a school related activity.
- Boys may not wear make-up or nail polish except if it is part of a school-related drama production.
- Boys are not allowed to go shirtless on campus. This includes athletic events and summer practices.

Specific Requirements for Girls:

- Girls may wear make-up and nail polish that is modest and not heavy.
- Shirts must not reveal any cleavage or be worn excessively tight.
- A girl's midriff must be covered at all times.

Athletic Dress: The approved PE uniform will be available for purchase at the Grace Brethren Student Store. This uniform must be worn and not altered in any way. Girls are not permitted to roll their shorts at the waistband. In the event of cold weather, you can wear loose-fitting sweat pants or warm ups. Yoga pants, leggings and form-fitting sweats are not permitted.



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Spirit Days: Modesty must be a priority. All mandates of the Dress Code still need to be followed unless a divergence from this section is specifically apply to the day (e.g. on a sports dress day, team logos would be permitted). Tank tops, tights, hats and immodest apparel are not permitted. Students not participating in the specified Spirit Dress must be within regular dress code.

Homecoming/JSB Banquet Attire: All formal attire must be modest and avoid extremes that some might find distracting or offensive. All general school guidelines apply to Homecoming and Junior/Senior Banquet, including, but not limited to, the policies regarding facial hair, piercings and tattoos.

- **Boys' Attire:** We expect young men to wear nice pants, dress shirts and ties. Jeans are not allowed. Tuxedos and sport coats are encouraged but not required.
- **Girls' Attire:** Skirts and dresses must be no shorter than 3 inches from the top of the kneecap. Length is measured according to solid fabric, not lace or sheer fabric. Slits must observe the same guidelines. Low cut necklines are not permitted. Dresses may not be cut below the bust line, either in front or on the sides. There should be no visible cleavage. One shoulder, halter and spaghetti straps are allowed. Strapless dresses are not allowed even if the straps are on one's arms. Dresses may be backless as long as they are not cut below the navel and the sides are covered up to the bust line. Dresses may not have any cutouts or holes on the front or sides, even if covered by sheer fabric. Bare midriffs are not permitted. All female GBS students and guests must have their formal dress approved by an Administrator prior to the event.

Students who are not dressed appropriately for Homecoming or Junior/Senior Banquet will not be permitted into the event. No refunds will be given.

When selecting clothing and hairstyles, students need to consider each of these questions:

- Is it modest and properly fitted?
- Does the clothing present a health or safety hazard?
- In choosing what clothes to wear today, whose attention do I desire and whose approval do I want?
- Am I seeking to please God or impress others?



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- Is what I wear consistent with biblical values of modesty, self-control, love for my brothers and sisters and respectable apparel or does my apparel reveal identification with biblical values?(1 John 2:15-17)

In deference to the Dress Code Guidelines set forth for our students, we request that parents and visitors dress modestly while at school or at school functions.

In cases of any disputes with the Dress Code, all final decisions will be made by the Administration.