

ROCKWELL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL DRESS CODE

2022 - 2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Students of Rockwell Christian School should strive to be the very best possible testimony for their Lord and school. While only the Lord knows the heart, areas of testimony include how a young person walks, sits, stands, acts, and looks. Men should look like men, and ladies should look like ladies; students are to reflect Christ. Clothing should be neat and clean. When choice is available, worldly extremes and questionable items should be avoided. It would be impossible to list guidelines on all available choices; therefore, the administration reserves the right to make discretionary decisions and is the final authority regarding such issues.

Only clothing specified in the RCS Dress Code should be worn to school. What to wear for school functions will be specifically announced in advance. For athletic events, school uniforms, athletic clothes, or loose fitting jeans with no rips or tears may be worn. Rockwell Christian School students are not required to purchase their uniforms from one particular vendor (except for one green polo from French Toast); the dress code will be governed by the following guidelines:

NOTE: Any uniform items located on the RCS French Toast palette (www.frenchtoast.com; school code QS4443E under “Shop by School” tab) are acceptable for the 2022-2023 school year.

GIRLS:

K5 - 5th girls may wear **knee-length, loose fitting** khaki, black, gray, or navy skirts, skorts, shorts, polo dresses (with embroidery), or jumpers. Khaki, black, gray, or navy capris or pants are also allowed.

6th - 12th girls may wear **knee-length, loose fitting** khaki, black, gray, or navy skirts, shorts, capris, or pants.

Pants, shorts, and skirts:

1. These must be loose fitting and appropriate length; no skinny cut or cargo allowed.
2. **Knee-length** is defined as touching somewhere on the knee cap.
3. Students that come to school with clothes that are too tight or too short will be required to call home to get something else to wear.
4. No uniform items should be made out of denim.

Chapel Dress (elementary/middle/high school):

1. Green polo from French Toast must be worn.
2. Only skirts (khaki, black, gray, or navy) are worn for chapel day.

Shoes and Leggings:

1. K5-12th may wear tennis shoes, casual shoes, or sandals. Foam flip-flops, beach shoes, or athletic slides are NOT acceptable. If tennis shoes are worn, socks must be worn also.
2. K5-12th girls may wear solid color socks and leggings that coordinate with the uniform skirt or dress presenting a totally uniform appearance.

Makeup:

1. Makeup will be allowed only in moderation to enhance natural beauty.
2. Elementary girls will NOT wear makeup.
3. Nail polish should be tactful and appropriate.

BOYS:

K5 - 12th boys may wear khaki, black, gray, or navy **knee-length, loose fitting** shorts or pants.

Pants and shorts:

1. These must be loose fitting and appropriate length; no skinny cut or cargo allowed.
2. **Knee-length** is defined as touching somewhere on the knee cap.
3. Students that come to school with clothes that are too tight or too short will be required to call home to get something else to wear.
4. No uniform items should be made out of denim.

Chapel Dress (elementary/middle/high school):

1. Green polo from French Toast must be worn.
2. Only pants (khaki, black, gray, or navy) are worn for chapel day.

Belts:

1. Belts must be worn at all times with the EXCEPTION that elementary boys may wear elastic waist bands; if there are no belt loops with the elastic, no belt is required.

Shoes and Socks:

1. *K5-12th* grade boys may wear tennis shoes, casual shoes, or sandals. Foam flip-flops, beach shoes, or athletic slides are NOT acceptable. If tennis shoes are worn, solid color socks must also be worn.

Facial Hair: Boys must be clean shaven—no mustaches, beards, or goatees.

GIRLS AND BOYS:

Shirts:

1. On days other than chapel day, the uniform shirts are to be *any* plain, solid color, *no brand logo (anywhere on the shirt)* classic polo shirt embroidered with the school logo. The polos may be short sleeve or long sleeve shirts.
2. Every student must have at least one green polo from French Toast for chapel, field trips, picture days, and other special occasions. These shirts may also be worn regular school days.
3. *Only* the top button may be left unbuttoned.
4. Boys must have their shirts tucked in at all times. Girls are not required to tuck in their shirts; however, if they do, they are also required to wear a belt.
5. Long-sleeved turtlenecks, mock turtlenecks, or collarless shirts that coordinate with the uniform shirt may be worn under the uniform shirts—showing only at neckline and sleeves.
6. If girls choose to wear a cami that shows below her shirt, the cami must be coordinate with the uniform shirt.

Jackets and Sweaters:

1. Light-weight jackets, pull-overs with zipper, button-up sweaters, or RCS hoodies may be worn in the classrooms by those who wish to wear something over their uniform shirts to keep warm.
2. Outerwear (including sweatshirts, non-RCS hoodies, etc...) must be left in cubbies or lockers.

Undergarments:

1. Please choose proper undergarments. No student's undergarments, with the exception of a t-shirt, may be visible.

Jewelry:

1. There should be no visible body piercings or tattoos with the exception of earrings for young ladies (no bars, spikes, or gauges).
2. Jewelry should be appropriate and not in excess.
3. Boys are not to wear neck jewelry, earrings, or bracelets (other than medic alert type). Watches, rings, and rubber wristbands are permissible (smart watches will be treated like cell phones; they will be turned in at homeroom at the beginning of the day and picked up from homeroom at the end of the day).

Hair and Hats:

1. Student's hair must be of a natural color—brown, blonde, black, or natural red.
2. Neatness is required.
3. Hairstyles are not permitted which are associated with or reflective of undesirable philosophies, attitudes, or trends such as “punk,” Mohawk, rat-tails, mullets, etc.
4. Boys' hair must follow the natural hairline, not excessively bushy, cut above (not tucked behind) the ears, and sideburns no longer than the middle of the ear and neatly trimmed.
5. Hats are not to be worn in any school building.

PE Uniform/Spirit Shirt:

1. Students will be allowed to wear their own knee-length, loose fitting athletic shorts or pants with any *RCS* shirt for field trips and other special days at school. If the student does not have an *RCS* shirt, they will be required to wear the *RCS* green polo which is purchased through French Toast.
2. All *9th* grade students must have any *RCS* shirt and their own knee-length, loose fitting athletic shorts or pants for a required PE class; any other middle/high grades that have a PE class must also purchase an *RCS* shirt.
3. There will be *RCS* shirts available for purchase at Granite Knitwear in Granite Quarry, NC or online through the Charger Spirit Store on the school website.