



## Secondary Dress Code (Grades 6-12) - 2019/2020

### Young Men and Women

- Uniform shirts which display the school logo are required. There are two options for purchasing shirts. The first option is to purchase uniforms through the Lands' End or Tommy Hilfiger Uniform Stores. Links to these sites are available on our school webpage: click on Uniform Store under Parent Resources. The second option is to purchase a short or long sleeve polo shirt on your own. The shirt must be a solid color. It may not have pockets or more than three buttons. It can have small brand logos. Mock polos, shirts with no buttons, cropped sleeves or without sleeves, are not permitted. Shirts not purchased through Lands' End or Tommy Hilfiger will need to have the school logo embroidered on them at one of the following approved vendors:
  - Team Hammer (2328 East Main Street, Lakeland - 863-666-1108)
  - Hazmore Outdoor Products (1645 North Galloway Road, Lakeland - 863-698-6521)
  - Williams & Williams Inc. (1145 East Main Street, Lakeland – 863-683-5487)
- Only these vendors may be used. They have the approved logo design, know the required location of the logo and know which thread colors are acceptable.
- Outerwear: Any clothing worn over a uniform shirt is considered outerwear. Jackets are permitted. Solid color sweatshirts and quarter-zip over shirts, which display the school logo, may be worn but only with a uniform shirt.
- **ONLY** LCS sweatshirts may be worn. This includes any sweatshirt made of fleece or sweatshirt material whether it is hooded or not. Anything with a full zipper will be considered a jacket, and is acceptable to wear, regardless of the material.
- Sweatshirts may be purchased through Lands' End, Under Armour or Tommy Hilfiger Uniform Stores or purchased from another vendor following the same guidelines listed above for colors and logos of polo shirts. Only small brand logos are permitted. Official LCS team or group polo style shirts and sweatshirts which display the school logo and have been purchased through the school may also be worn.
- Lettered or imprinted clothing: No clothing depicting music groups, alcohol, or other inappropriate messages; no camouflage clothing (except for jackets).
- No excessive jewelry, chains, make-up, or hair styles that the school deems distracting to the atmosphere or mission of LCS. No visible body piercing jewelry (except for girls' earrings). No hats or bandanas. Anything worn under an LCS uniform shirt must be solid color and tucked in at all times.
- **Jeans Day:** Jeans must be appropriate. No holes, rips, shredding, frayed edges, or the appearance of these things are permitted. No excessively tight or baggy jeans are permitted.
- **Formal Wear:** **Young men** are to wear attire consistent with the formal decorum. A dress coat, dress slacks, and a tie is considered the minimal acceptable attire for a formal event. Prints such as flamingos, palm trees, flowers, and full-body plaids (to name a few) are not acceptable. **Young ladies** are expected to wear formal dresses with the following guidelines: Dresses must be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee (this includes any slits). No bare midriff, lower back or cleavage is permitted. Sheer material does **NOT** constitute coverage of any area. Backs of dresses should be no lower than the middle of the back and modest fronts cannot have a plunging neckline or expose cleavage. Costumes are not permitted. If there is a question about appropriateness, check with the administration at least one week prior to the event. Students who do not meet appropriate dress will not be permitted to attend and no refunds will be given. This code also applies to non-LCS students who attend as guests.
- **Extracurricular Activities:** Students remaining after school for various activities are required to be in modest, suitable attire. Shorts with slit sides are not allowed. No clothing which exposes the midriff is allowed. Boys are to wear shirts at all times on campus.

## Young Women

- **Skirts:** Skirts worn with a uniform shirt are to extend to the bottom of the knee. Slits above the top of the knee are not permitted. On special occasions, when a dress is permitted, the dress must meet the length requirements.
- **Pants,** including Capri and flood pants, are acceptable. Cords are permitted. The hem should be neat and not frayed or cut-off. The seams of the undergarments should not be visible through the material. No jeans or denim pants regardless of color, stonewashed, blue cotton/denim pants, bib-overalls, warm-up pants, sweat pants, athletic pants, leather, pleather, stretch pants, leggings, jeggings spandex, lycra, tight or baggy styles. Jeans-style pants without rivets or double stitching is acceptable.
- **Shorts** are NOT permitted. This includes any pants/capris that do not extend two inches below the knee.
- **Uniform shirts** must have a collar. Although tops may be untucked, they must be long enough so that no skin shows when the arms are raised above the head. Only the top button may be unbuttoned on shirts. Shirts may not be altered. Layered garments may not be worn over uniform shirts or extend below uniform shirttail. Undershirts must be tucked in.
- **Shoes:** any style of shoe is acceptable including flip-flops and sandals. Shoes with wheels are not acceptable.
- **Hairstyles** should not be distracting. Hair may be highlighted or colored with a natural hair color only. No extreme styles. Hair must be kept neat. The administration reserves the right to determine the acceptability of hairstyle or color.

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## Young Men

- **Long pants** must be neat and a solid color. All pants must be worn at the waist. Cords and cargo pants are acceptable. No jeans, jeans style or denim pants regardless of color, stonewashed, blue cotton/denim pants, bib-overalls, sweat pants, warm-up suits, or athletic pants.
- **Shorts** must be of twill material. They must be solid, pin-striped, or plaid in design. Shorts must be worn at the waist and be no shorter than mid-thigh. The hem should be neat and not frayed or cut-off.
- **Uniform shirts** may not be altered. All shirts must have a collar. Only the top button may be unbuttoned on shirts. Uniform shirts are not required to be tucked in.
- **Hair** should be clean, well groomed and worn in a style that is not in any way extreme or in bad taste. Sideburns may not extend beyond the bottom the ear. Hair should not covert eyes. Extreme or fad styles, such as "Mohawk, Punk, Emo, Mullet, Spiked or Shaved designs" will not be permitted. Hair may be highlighted or colored with natural hair color only. Young men must be clean-shaven. The administration reserves the right to determine the acceptability of hairstyle or color.
- **Shoes:** Dress/casual shoes with a leather upper or athletic shoes are acceptable. They must be properly laced. Crocs, sandals, slippers or shoes with wheels are not acceptable.

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## Enforcement

Students who are out of dress code will be removed from class until the violation is corrected. Students are responsible for any work missed in class.

In addition to correcting the dress code violation, the student will receive the following disciplinary actions:

- First offense: notification of parents
- Second offense and each offense thereafter: After-school detention

Final authority to decide appropriateness of an outfit worn on campus and at all LCS activities rests with the administration.

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## Contact Us

If you have any questions about the Lakeland Christian School dress code, feel free to contact the Secondary Office at 863.688.2771.