

# Redding Christian Dress Code

## Junior High and High School

The purpose of a dress code in a Christian School is to exemplify standards of appearance that reflect human dignity as God’s image-bearers on earth. The RCS standards of dress and grooming are in keeping with the high Christian ideals we seek to establish in those who attend our school. We have set a moderate age-appropriate tone, avoiding the extremes of both legalism and liberalism. There are four components the School Board considers when setting guidelines for grooming standards. 1) The issue of modesty; 2) The issue of safety in class and on the campus; 3) The way RCS staff and students represent Godly character to the community; and 4) Student attire being conducive to a serious academic environment.

### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR BOTH GIRLS AND BOYS

ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clothes must be in good condition</li> <li>• Dress shoes or tennis shoes</li> <li>• Flip-Flops and sandals without back straps</li> <li>• Bible verses, logos, brand names and sports team logos that are not offensive</li> <li>• Hair color and face paint for spirit week and home games only.</li> <li>• Boys and girls may wear jeans every day.</li> <li>• Knee length shorts – striped, plaid, jean and solid shorts to the knee (not tight fitting)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holes, tears, or frayed hems</li> <li>• Clothing too big or too tight</li> <li>• Tattoos or writing on the body</li> <li>• Hats worn indoors</li> <li>• Untied laces on shoes</li> <li>• Shoes with heels higher than 2”</li> <li>• Military/camouflage clothing</li> <li>• Gothic appearance</li> <li>• Sweat or nylon type sport pants</li> <li>• Extra pictures or wording not related to logos or brand names</li> <li>• Tank Tops</li> <li>• Bare feet</li> </ul>

### BOYS

ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subtle, natural colored highlights in hair.</li> <li>• Hair neatly trimmed above a dress shirt collar in the back</li> <li>• Hair should be clean, neat and styled so it does not affect the vision or prevent the teacher from having eye contact</li> <li>• Collared shirt/colored T-shirt</li> <li>• Docker style pants</li> <li>• Solid colored pants or jeans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaved head</li> <li>• Extreme styles</li> <li>• Facial hair</li> <li>• Sideburns below the earlobe.</li> <li>• Make up</li> <li>• Earrings</li> <li>• <i>Inappropriate/excessive accessories</i></li> <li>• Any body piercing</li> <li>• Plain white T-shirt</li> <li>• Untucked shirts hanging past student’s wrist</li> </ul>

**GIRLS**

<b>ACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>UNACCEPTABLE</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subtle, natural colored highlights in hair</li> <li>• Hair should be clean, neat and styled so it does not effect the vision or prevent the teacher from having eye contact</li> <li>• Two earrings worn in each lobe (Not in cartilage)</li> <li>• Skirts/dresses to the knee</li> <li>• Skirts/dress slits no higher than to the knee</li> <li>• Dresses/blouses with wide strap</li> <li>• Jeans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extreme styles</li> <li>• Accessories or make-up that is not a positive reflection on RCS</li> <li>• Body piercing other than the ear lobe</li> <li>• Spaghetti Strap</li> <li>• Earrings anywhere but the ear lobe (No cartilage)</li> <li>• Midriffs showing</li> <li>• Cleavage exposed</li> <li>• Bra straps showing</li> <li>• Tight or form fitting tops</li> </ul>

**FORMAL OCCASIONS**

<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collared shirt</li> <li>• Nice Docker style pants. No jeans</li> <li>• Dress shoes – no tennis shoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls may wear strapless dresses but the neckline must be modest with no cleavage showing</li> <li>• Dress/skirt to be a modest length when girl is in sitting position</li> </ul>