

# CITRUS COUNTY CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL GROUP DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

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#### Overview:

The below dress code is our standard for appropriate dress when attending any group function. If you are somewhere "with the homeschool group", then it does apply. Out of respect for all members of the group, please keep these standards in mind when you or your children attend a group event or function. This code applies to All Children, Students, Adults, Faculty, Staff, Volunteers, Guests, etc.. If apparel does not meet dress code standards, you will be asked discreetly to make an adjustment or leave to change and return. At co-op, you will also be given a dress code checklist with the area of concern noted and asked to adjust or change.

Note: We all have different personal standards for our dress, so for the group we have tried to follow the norm for other Christian schools' standards. This dress code is designed to support the mission of CCCHG. As outlined in our Statement of Faith "We believe God created mankind as male and female, and that gender identity is determined by birth and not choice. We believe that God disapproves of and forbids any attempt to alter one's genetic gender or gender identity by surgery or appearance. (Deuteronomy 22:5; Genesis 1 and 2)" Therefore, in this document the terms "female" and "male" refer to the biological sex that was determined at conception.

#### Females: Everyday

- No clothing or skin with offensive language, sayings, or pictures. Tattoos that do not meet this must stay covered.
- Shoes must be worn at all times unless at specific events that would not require it such as outside water activities.
- Helmets must be worn at all times while riding anything with wheels.

#### Shirts

- Long-sleeved, short-sleeved tops are allowed; No sleeveless shirts, tank tops, open shoulder tops, or halter tops. Shoulders should remain covered from neck to sleeve seam at top of shoulder, and there must be a sleeve attached.
- The front of your shirt may not be less than 2.5" (about 4 finger width) below your collarbone. No cleavage may show. Top of shirts cannot be lower than armpit level in back.
- Shirts should be long enough, that when your arms are raised above your head, your stomach and back remain covered. (esp. during sports, cartwheels, etc.

#### Shorts/Pants/Skirts

- Shorts and "skorts" should be as long as your fingertips when held at your side extended down towards the ground. Skirts should be no shorter than 1 hand-width above the knee.

- Shorts, skorts and skirts need to be able to stay down to required length. Being able to pull shorts/skirts down to dress-code length is not the same as being in dress code.
- Any low-rise pants/shorts should completely cover your underwear. Again, no bellies or backs should show at any time (even during sports).
- Spandex shorts or pants, or leggings, need to be covered with a mid-thigh-length shirt front and back OR need to have loose fitting shorts on over them.
- Shorts should always show beneath longer shirts to avoid the appearance of "no bottoms on."

### **Swimming**

- Modest one-piece swimsuit (or cover your two piece with a long non-transparent top, as well as modest shorts or leggings, which are not spandex boy shorts. Please be courteous to others and maintain modesty when choosing swimwear that would not be revealing.

### **Nursing Moms**

- We love our moms and babies! Please be mindful of other adults AND children when you are feeding your baby. Please keep your front, back, belly and waist covered with a jacket, baby blanket, etc. when nursing.

### **Female: Variation for Designated Formal Events ONLY**

#### **Formal: Shirts**

- No strapless dresses, dresses must at least have straps that go front to back over shoulder or halter style straps (around neck).
- The front of your shirt may not be less than 2.5" (about 4 finger width) below your collarbone. No cleavage may show. Tops of dresses/shirts cannot be lower than armpit level in back.
- Shirts should be long enough, that when your arms are raised above your head, your stomach and back remain covered. (esp. during sports, cartwheels, etc.)

#### **Formal: Shorts/Pants/Skirts**

- Same as Everyday wear

### **Male: Everyday AND Formal**

- No clothing or skin with offensive language, sayings, or pictures. Tattoos that do not meet this must stay covered.
- Shoes must be worn at all times unless at specific events that would not require it such as outside water activities.
- Helmets must be worn at all times while riding anything with wheels.

### **Shirts**

- A shirt must be worn at all times. Long-sleeved, short-sleeved tops are allowed. Shoulders should remain covered from neck to sleeve seam at top of shoulder, and shirts must have a sleeve attached.
- No sleeveless or "muscle shirts." No tank tops, or shirts split down the sides or with long armholes.
- The front of your shirt may not be less than 2.5" (about 4 finger width) below your collarbone. Top of shirts cannot be lower than armpit level in back.

- Shirts should be long enough, that when your arms are raised above your head, your stomach and back remain covered. (esp. during sports, etc.)

### **Pants/Shorts**

- Shorts should be as long as your fingertips when held at your side extended down towards the ground. They should not ride or pull up all day, but need to be able to stay long enough to be in dress code. Being able to pull shorts down to dress-code length is not the same as being in dress code.
- Any low-rise pants/shorts should completely cover your underwear or boxers. Again, no bellies or backs should show at any time.
- Spandex shorts or pants, or leggings, need to be covered with a mid-thigh-length shirt front and back. Shorts should always show beneath longer shirts to avoid the appearance of "no bottoms on".

### **Swimming**

- Swim trunks/shorts (no boxers showing, no "speedos" or spandex shorts) AND a shirt/rash guard (sleeveless is fine) for swimming.

Thank you for your cooperation!