

PIONEER VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
Middle and High School Dress Code

PHILOSOPHY OF CHRISTIAN DRESS: Christians should do everything in such a way as to bring glory to God. *“Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. Do not cause anyone to stumble”* (1 Corinthians 10:31-32).

PURPOSE OF THE DRESS CODE

- To establish a policy of modest dress according to scriptural guidelines;
- To help students understand what it means to dress in a manner that is **neat**, orderly, and not offensive; **modest**, not drawing attention to one’s body; and **appropriate** or suitable for a particular purpose, person, or occasion.

SHIRTS – All polo shirts, sweaters, and fleeces **MUST** be purchased through the designated supplier of uniforms.

Students may choose from the following:

- Short or long-sleeved uniform polo shirts (a solid-colored, long-sleeved t-shirt or turtleneck may be worn underneath a standardized, uniform-issued short-sleeved polo)
- Uniform sweaters (a solid-colored uniform shirt must be worn underneath the cardigan sweater – tank tops and camisoles are not acceptable)
- V-neck, uniform sweaters may be worn with a solid-colored, crewneck t-shirt, solid-colored turtleneck, or uniform polo underneath
- Uniform fleece jackets, or PVCA logo’d athletic warm-up jackets may be worn over a uniform shirt or sweater

PANTS – Purchased through your choice of store or through the designated supplier of uniforms.

- Modest-fitting solid-colored pants, boot cut or straight cut only (no “skinny” cut)
- Modest-fitting solid-colored cropped pants
- Modest-fitting knee-length shorts
- No denim or athletic wear
- Jeggings, leggings, “skinny” pants, pajama pants, and yoga pants are not permitted at any time

SKIRTS

- Knee-length or longer, non-denim, non-form-fitting skirts are permitted
 - **NOTE:** *Leggings may be worn underneath knee-length skirts*

HAIR

- Clean, neatly styled/maintained hair; eyes must be visible
- Facial hair must be neatly trimmed
- No unnatural hair color

MISCELLANEOUS

- No outdoor jackets during school hours
- No visible tattoos
- No visible body piercings or facial piercings, with the exception of pierced ears for female students
- No band-aids or clear plugs covering visible piercings
- No hats or head coverings
- No PVCA athletic wear (hoodies, uniforms, or warm-ups) during school hours, except where noted above

DRESS DOWN DAYS

- T-shirts, sweaters, and sweatshirts permitted
- Jeans that are not ripped in any way
- Boot cut, or straight cut only; no “skinny” cut jeans permitted

If there are questions concerning dress code, the student must see their homeroom teacher. The Administration reserves the right to make a final determination regarding any and all dress code compliance.

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