

July 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

I pray that you are having a restful and refreshing summer. Our hearts are filled with gratefulness at the graciousness of our Lord in protecting Dr. Hertzberg from any permanent heart damage and allowing us to have him serve as our president for more years to come.

The offices have a buzz about them as we are preparing for this upcoming school year. There is an excitement and anticipation in seeing how God is going to move among our CHA community this coming year!

As Dr. Hertzberg mentioned in his recent update, because of other greater priorities, he (along with our leadership team and the Board) have decided to put any major changes to the dress code policy on hold this year.

I have attached this year's dress code to remind you of our guidelines. There have been a few minor changes (in red) in either clarification or wording to the dress code (i.e. no flannel pants may be worn, no rain or snow boots may be worn in the classrooms-UGG boots are acceptable inside.)

The corrective measures for dress code violations have been changed. Parents, please read and familiarize yourself with these measures so that you are aware of the steps for correction. Would you also ensure that your child(ren) has read these measures as well so that these steps do not come as a surprise to them or yourselves. We ask for your partnership in your children's compliance to our CHA dress code.

I am continually humbled as I realize the depth of responsibility that God has called us to as we shepherd these students and encourage them to become lifetime followers of Jesus Christ.

For His glory,

Miss Okamoto
Principal

CHRISTIAN HERITAGE ACADEMY

2018-2019 Fit & Modesty Guidelines

“Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.” Phil. 4:8

CHA expects that clothing, hairstyles, make-up and jewelry students choose to wear will promote **cleanliness, neatness, modesty and will not distract from the climate of Christ-centered learning at CHA. The guidelines below are for all clothing worn for school and for extra-curricular activities.** The Administration shall be the final authority in these matters on a day-to-day basis.

Students are expected to present themselves in a manner which is appropriate for their age level. If a student is found not to be in compliance with the dress code guidelines, they will be asked to change into alternative clothing here at school or a call will be made home in order to get the appropriate clothing.

Preschool-Grade 1: These grades are Dress Code Optional. However, we insist that all students abide by the shoe guidelines of an athletic shoe with closed toe, closed heel (either Velcro or ties) that is safe for play.

Grades 2-12: These grades must follow all Dress Code guidelines. CHA reserves the right to deem clothing inappropriate.

Fit & Modesty Guidelines for Grades 2-12

- Students will not be allowed to dress in a manner that is unsafe.
- All shirts should extend below the waist of the student and the waistband of the slacks or skirt. If a student’s midsection can be seen at any time, the shirt should not be worn to school. Here are two good tests:
 - When you raise one hand above your head, if your midsection can be seen, the shirt is too short.
 - When bending or sitting, if your midsection is exposed or your cleavage or chest is visible, shirt should not be worn for school.
- No bra straps, undergarments, cleavage, shoulders or midriff may show at any time; these must be covered by other layers.
- Necklines should be no lower than **two inches below** the collarbone. (This also means that buttons cannot be unbuttoned below this.) Tops may be layered. If layered, the base layer must be no lower than **two inches below** the collarbone.
- Shorts, skirts and dresses must be a modest length. Length must be no shorter than **two inches from** the floor when kneeling.
- Leggings, jeggings, yoga or Lycra pants may ONLY be worn **under** a skirt, dress, or top where the length, may be no shorter than **two inches from** the floor when kneeling.
- Sweatpants or athletic pants may be worn as long as they are not leggings, jeggings, yoga, or Lycra pants. Pants similar in regards to the tightness of these types of pants (leggings, jeggings, yoga, Lycra pants) are not acceptable.
- Clothing should not be too tight or too loose (pants must stay up at the waist).
- No body piercings or tattoos may be visible at school. (Girls may have pierced earrings in ears.)

Dress Code

Remember! All clothing must follow Fit & Modesty Guidelines at all times

- No hats, bandanas, or head coverings may be worn in school (unless for religious observation or special designated days).
- No clothing may be worn that is bleached, camouflage, faded, tattered or ragged; no holes, **no flannel pants**.
- Dress or appearance which disrupts the educational process will not be allowed. Examples include, but are not limited to: clothes that make reference to political views, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sex, obscenities, violence, ethnic slurs or gangs.
- Outerwear such as coats, jackets, and **snow or rain boots** may not be worn **in the classroom**. (**UGG boots or similar boots may be worn inside.**)

Footwear

- Students are not allowed to go barefoot.
- **Preschool-Grade 5** must wear closed toe, closed heeled shoes. No crocs, clogs or sandals. (Preschoolers may keep crocs in his/her locker for indoor class time, but should not be used on the playground.) Athletic shoes are recommended for active play on the playground.
- **Grades 6-12** may wear shoes of their preference. (Athletic shoes are required for P.E.)

Corrective Measures for Dress Code Violations

Teachers are trained to speak in a spirit of love and grace to the students when addressing any violation and will work with the student, parent, and administration to encourage a heart of compliance. These measures will apply per semester.

Grades 2-5:

- 1st warning: teacher notifies student of violation and sends email to parents; student changes into spare change of clothes.
- 2nd warning: teacher sends student to principal, student has violation card signed by parent(s); student changes into spare change of clothes.
- 3rd warning: parent(s) meeting with principal; student changes into spare change of clothes.
- 4th warning: student sent home for the day.

Grades 6-12:

- 1st warning: teacher notifies student of violation; student changes into spare change of clothes.
- 2nd warning: teacher sends student to principal, student has violation card signed by parent(s); student changes into spare change of clothes.
- 3rd warning: student sent home for the day (either drive or parent(s) picks up); zeroes given in remaining subjects.
- 4th warning: student sent home for the day and the following day, zeroes given for all assignments during this time.