



## **Uniform Guidelines**

### **Texoma Christian School**

**2022-2022**

**Please be advised that the following guidelines govern the way students are to wear their school uniforms for the upcoming school year:**

Students may wear only approved uniform clothing to school. Students who wear anything other than approved clothing may be sent home to change into a proper school uniform and will receive a uniform violation. All time missed from class for uniform violations will be unexcused.

Mondays through Thursdays are specifically designated as school uniform days. On those days, school uniforms must be worn properly. Any student who violates the uniform dress code in any way will receive a uniform violation and could be assigned detention for repeat offenses.

All clothing must fit appropriately. Neither the uniform nor any of its components may appear saggy, baggy, too tight, or too loose. Shorts, pants, and skirts must be worn at the waist.

All uniform clothing must be clean and in good condition; clothing should have no exposed tears, cuts, rips, splits, hanging threads, or shreds. Dirty, unkempt, and untidy dress is a uniform violation. Fashion-damaged clothing (especially jeans) will not be considered in good condition.

**Jeans:** Blue jeans may be worn every day. They must be clean, neat, well-fitting blue denim designed in typical jeans fashion. Jeans may not be frayed, ruffled, torn, split, tattered, dirty, baggy, or saggy. Skinny jeans that fit tightly around the ankles are not acceptable, but straight-style jeans may be worn. Jeans may not have side or thigh pockets. They may not be cargo pants. They must be worn at the waist, and they may not hang down on or below the hips.

**Khaki pants only** (black pants are no longer approved). For both boys and girls—all khaki pants (other than girl's cropped pants) must be the same style as Dockers and purchased from Land's End or from retailers who sell virtually identical products. Khaki pants are to be smooth fabric and can be plain or pleated. Khaki is not white, cream, wheat, or off-white in color. Pants may not be styled like ordinary jeans. Students may not wear cargo pants of any color or any kind of pants with side pockets or thigh pockets. Dickies® brand shorts are permitted as long as the tags are removed. Straight style pants are acceptable, but not the slim style (skinnies) that are tight around the ankles. Yoga pants and leggings made out of nylon, polyester, and spandex are not acceptable under any circumstances.

**Khaki shorts only** (black shorts are no longer approved). Students may wear khaki walking shorts, plain or pleated as purchased from Land's End, or from retailers with virtually identical products. No other shorts are approved. Students may not wear cargo shorts or shorts with side or thigh pockets. Shorts may not extend beyond the knee, nor may they be baggy, saggy, or bulky. Short length should not be shorter than 2-3 inches from the floor when kneeling. Short shorts will not be permitted.

**Khaki skirts only.** If girls wear skirts, they must be from Land's End khaki and they may be boxed or pleated. Skirts may not be ruffled, split, slit, or fringed. Skirt lengths should not be shorter than 2-3 inches from the floor when kneeling.

**Khaki jumpers only.** Elementary girls may wear khaki jumpers that are approved by Land's End only.

**White polos are no longer approved.**

**New red, black, and charcoal-colored polos with stitched logos must be purchased through the new TCS Spirit Shop for the cost of \$20.00.**

Students may wear their polos untucked as long as the shirttail does not hang below the front pockets of their jeans, khaki pants, or shorts.

Students do not have to wear a belt.

Students may wear jeans and a TCS-approved spirit t-shirt on Fridays.

**Shoes:** Students may wear athletic shoes, black or brown leather shoes, or sandals with the uniform. Shoes must be clean and neat and otherwise appropriate. Students may not wear house shoes/slippers, flip-flops, or combat or military-style boots. Girls in 5th grade or below are prohibited from wearing “high heel” style shoes. Students should not wear shoes that appear to be designed to draw excessive attention to themselves.

**Boots:** Several years ago revisions were made to include black, brown, or tan Ugg boots or suede-type boots for girls. The boots should not be worn above the knee and should not be distracting in color or style such as fringe, sequin, sparkle, fur, buckles, bows or large tassels. Students may not wear combat or military-style boots.

**Outerwear:** TCS sweatshirts, hoodies, and **TCS-issued letter jackets** are acceptable outerwear but should not be worn habitually in the classroom. Only **TCS-approved hoodies, sweatshirts, and jackets** will be allowed to be worn on campus. Solid color and name brand hoodies and sweatshirts such as American Eagle or Nike, or college or team sports favorites are **not** acceptable. Heavy coats (non-TCS) should only be worn outside for the purpose of protecting the student from rain, snow, or freezing temperatures.

**Leggings and Tights:** White or black solid color (no lace) leggings and tights are acceptable to wear under uniform skirts. Wearing leggings or tights will not change the length of the skirts. Skirt lengths should not be shorter than 2-3 inches from the floor when kneeling. Tights, including sports compression tights, are not approved for boys, unless worn under long pants, and can only be worn during athletics subject to athletic department approval.

**Socks:** socks should be solid school colors—white, red, or black. Socks should not be worn above the knee.

In any and all cases of doubt or question, the school administration reserves the right to determine if a student is in violation of the uniform policy. Accessories or items in question should compliment the uniform and not distract or draw attention to the student's appearance.

Hair should always be clean and neatly groomed. Boys' hair may not be colored or dyed. Girls' hair should be natural in color, including highlights. Boys' hair should be kept so that it is out of the eyes, off the collar, and above the ear lobe. Boys' sideburns should be no longer than the bottom of the ear lobe.

Parents should ensure that their children's hairstyles are not distracting and do not interfere with the learning environment. Unusual hairstyles (Mohawks, logos, manes, carvings, etc.) are prohibited. Feathers and colored streaks worn in the hair are also not acceptable.

Girls may wear nylon stretch fabric headbands that are solid red, black, white, or grey only.

TCS students are not allowed to display visibly any tattoos or body piercings. TCS boys may not wear earrings at any time while on the TCS campus or during any school-related event. TCS girls may wear no more than two earrings per ear. No student may have any visible piercings other than earlobes for girls. Girls may wear earrings as long as the earrings are not distracting, outlandish, or dangerous. No other piercings are allowed. Any jewelry and other adornments that are distracting to others or present the possibility of a safety concern to anyone will not be permitted. Boys may not wear beards, goatees, or mustaches; they must be clean-shaven. Neck chains worn by boys should be simple in design. Boys may not wear heavy chains or use wallets/key rings with heavy chains. Dangly, spiked, or oversized jewelry will not be allowed. Any type of wristband or bracelet or other jewelry with inappropriate, suggestive, or offensive messages is not acceptable.

Hats, caps, and sunglasses are not to be worn in the buildings or on the boardwalks.

Note: Additional guidelines may be set forth during the school year as deemed appropriate.