

## Standardized Dress and Personal Appearance

In keeping with an academic setting that promotes high expectations of learning and Christian values, the Board of Education – School has adopted the following dress code standards that apply to all students Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> grade:

- All clothing must be kept neat, clean, and fit the student properly.
- All shoes must have a closed toe and closed back, with no more than 1 ½ inch heel, so that the student is ready for all activities and remains safe.
- Undergarments should be worn as intended and not visible.
- Skirts, shorts, and skorts should be at least mid-thigh length. Leggings may be worn under skirts and jumpers only.
- Purchases may be made from any standardized dress provider; i.e. Kohl's, Old Navy, Target, Walmart, Lands' End

### Tops

- Plain, solid color short or long-sleeve polo-style, oxford-style, turtleneck or mock turtleneck
- Plain crew-neck, v-neck or button-down sweater, vest, fleece, or sweatshirt may be worn with a shirt listed above
- Girls may wear solid color plain or pleated, tailored dress or jumper that extend only 3-4" above top of knee
- Only approved Zion logo shirts or sweatshirts are acceptable. Other small logos are acceptable also, i.e. Nike swish.

### Bottoms

- Solid color khaki, black, or navy
- Plain or pleated, tailored-style pants, capris, walking shorts, skorts, and skirts in cotton twill, corduroy or similar-type fabric (No denim, knit, or tight-fitting fabrics. No cargo pants.)
- Any belts worn should be plain, black/brown leather or fabric-matching.

### Hair and Jewelry

- Hairstyles should be neat, not distracting, in good taste and out of student's eyes. Boy's hair should be off the collar.
- Girls may wear up to two earrings per lobe and no longer than the lobe. Boys are not to wear earrings.
- Other pierced-body jewelry and tattoos are not allowed.

- Modest and discreet makeup is allowed for seventh and eighth grade girls.

#### Exceptions

- Preschool students are exempt from this dress code policy but expected to dress in a respectful Christian manner.
- We encourage shirts to be tucked in and belts worn on Chapel days.
- Extracurricular activities, such as sports teams or band members, etc. may have additional guidelines set out by their sponsor.
- Students may be asked to wear a particular t-shirt or colored polo for a field trip so all group members are easily seen.
- The Principal may designate a special type of dress for any particular school event.

The Board of Education has placed final judgment on the teachers and principal for compliance of this dress code. Students not meeting these guidelines may face disciplinary consequences. Parents may be notified and, if necessary, be required to bring a change of clothing for the student.