

Campus Wear Guidelines Philosophy **2011/2012**

Bannockburn Christian Academy (BCA) is a Christian school where students come together to study in a disciplined environment. BCA believes that a student's appearance affects and enhances both academic and spiritual learning. Research has proven that the way we dress affects our attitude and desire to learn. The purpose of BCA's Campus Wear Guidelines encourages self-respect, school pride, respect for others, good taste in personal appearance, and provides an atmosphere for study that is free from distraction. Personal appearance, including clothing that is disorderly, nonfunctional and excessive in style or appearance, does not uphold this conviction. BCA stakeholders seek a higher standard and purpose—honoring our Lord Jesus Christ in appearance and in behavior. Therefore, the following Campus Wear Guidelines for student dress and appearance are required. Every school day, parents are responsible for sending their students to school in accordance with the following Campus Wear Guidelines.

BCA seeks to promote the following Biblical principles:

- *We do all to the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31).*
- *We are not to offend others by being stumbling blocks (Romans 14:13, 1 Cor. 10:32-33).*
- *We are to do everything in love (1 Cor. 16:14).*
- *We are to be examples in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity (1 Timothy 4:12).*
- *We are to draw attention to God, not to ourselves (John 3:30).*

The following *Campus Wear Guidelines* are intended to clarify and explain appropriate school dress. The administration and staff expect that all parents and all students will use good judgment by following all Guideline expectations. BCA administration is the final authority on the compliance of these Guidelines.

Violations

The interpretation of any violation of these policies will be left up to the principal. When a student is out of compliance, a teacher will contact the parent to inform of the violation. On the second infraction, the teacher will again contact the parents, but also send the student to the office until compliance is met. The parents will be contacted and asked to bring an appropriate change of clothing to the school. If a parent cannot be contacted the student will remain at school, but will not be permitted to attend class.

Campus Wear Guidelines

Every day, parents are responsible for sending their students to school in compliance with the Campus Wear Guidelines.

1. The Campus Wear Guidelines are in effect every school day for all school activities, both on campus and off campus unless special dress days are preapproved by BCA administration.
2. The BCA school logo is the only approved artwork or design permitted on student clothing.
3. Chapel uniforms will be worn every scheduled Chapel day. Parker School Uniforms is the exclusive vendor of BCA Chapel dress wear (www.parkersu.com). Because of seasonal extreme heat in Central Texas, boys may wear Khaki shorts from August 16-October 15 and March 15-May 25. All other times, boys will wear Khaki slacks. On days the temperature is at or below 40° at the time of morning drop-off, girls may wear Khaki slacks with a light-blue Polo top.
4. Weekday wear consists of Khaki bottoms worn with Polo tops. The approved Polo colors are: Light Blue, Light Yellow, White, Navy and Burgundy. Girls may also wear approved uniform jumpers, skirts, and blouses.
5. On Spirit Days and field trips students may wear BCA T-shirts and five-pocket denim blue jean pants or shorts. Jeans will be free of decorations, designs, logos, tears, or holes.
6. ALL clothing will be clean, neat and worn correctly; neatly hemmed; free of holes and tears; and must have proper and functional zippers, buttons and clasps.
7. Boys shirts and girls non-Chapel blouses must be tucked in at all times. Polos and T-shirts may be worn tucked in or out.
8. Skirts, shorts, skorts and dresses will be no shorter than three inches above the knee.
9. Belts must be worn with all pants and shorts that have belt loops. Pants and shorts will be worn at the natural waistline.
10. Shoes will be safe, clean and snug. Only solid black or solid white sneakers or chapel dress shoes are allowed. Shoe laces will be the color of the shoes and must be tied at all times. Socks must be worn with shoes. Boys will wear white crew socks. Girls may wear white or navy crew or knee-high socks or tights.
11. Boys' hair will be no longer than the top of the Chapel dress shirt collar. Bangs for boys or girls should not cover the eyes.
12. Only girls may wear earrings, and only one per ear should be displayed. Visible body piercings are not permitted.
13. All outer wear will be navy blue in color.
14. Hats, caps and bandannas are not to be worn in school.