



## 2022-2023 UPPER DIVISION DRESS CODE GUIDE

### Dress Code Purpose

- To improve the educational atmosphere of the campus. Studies have shown that schools that have adopted a uniform dress code have seen a remarkable improvement in the morale and behavior patterns of their students.
- To allow students to focus on their education rather than who is wearing what to school and whether it's in style.
- To instill a level of responsibility, much the same way many business organizations expect their employees to wear a uniform, company logo, access badge, etc.

Our goal is to provide clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment. Students are expected to be in full dress code when arriving at TCA and remain in full dress code through dismissal.

[www.tcaconquerorstore.com](http://www.tcaconquerorstore.com) for TCA outerwear and fan gear

[www.frenchtoastschoolbox.com](http://www.frenchtoastschoolbox.com) for all polos (must have logo) and girl's skirts. You must shop by school name or zip code then select grade level. There is a uniform section just for Trinity Christian Academy.

If you choose to purchase the uniform pants and shorts through other vendors, options can be found at locations such as: Target, Old Navy, Walmart and JC Penney. All purchases should be of the appropriate size and modest in appearance and all shorts must touch the top of the knee for girls and boys.

### Our school uniforms consist of:

1. Collared polo shirts (royal blue, black, gray, or white) (Must have TCA logo)
2. Skirts (khaki, gray, or black) (Must be purchased through French Toast)
3. Pants (khaki, gray, or black)
4. Shorts (khaki, gray, or black)
5. Capri or cropped pants – girls (khaki, gray, or black)
6. All outerwear should be solid or any color combination of TCA colors which are: blue (royal blue preferred), black, gray, or white. Logos that are not TCA may be the approximate size of one's fist. Articles of clothing worn outside the uniform must be true outerwear and not another shirt to change the appearance of the uniform. The best option to purchase approved outerwear is available through the [www.frenchtoastschoolbox.com](http://www.frenchtoastschoolbox.com) or the [www.tcaconquerorstore.com](http://www.tcaconquerorstore.com). \*If a student is not wearing the proper outerwear as mentioned above, they will be asked to remove their outerwear. TCA colored outerwear can be offered in its place.
7. Long sleeve shirts and ladies' tights that may be worn *under* uniforms must be royal blue, black, gray, or white.
8. Uniforms may have no rips, tears, frays, or faded color fabric.
9. Pants may not sag. No jeans, jeggings, sweatpants, athletic pants, workout spandex joggers, cargo, carpenter, or corduroy pants/shorts allowed.

10. Students may not wear house slippers or athletic slides. Boys may not wear open toe shoes.
11. Students may not wear hats of any style or ballcaps inside any of the buildings. When wearing a hooded jacket, hoods may not be worn on head at any time inside any of the buildings.
12. Bandanas are not part of the TCA uniform dress code and may not be worn or brought to school.
13. Hair color must be natural colors and not be distracting to the learning environment.
14. Young men may have facial hair that is neatly trimmed.
15. Body/facial piercings are not allowed. Earlobes are acceptable.
16. Student ID badges must always be worn on a lanyard, around the neck.
17. Face coverings can be cloth or disposable facemasks or clear face shields. Students may not wear gaiters or bandanas as a mask. Cloth masks, if they have pictures or writing on them should be in good taste and not reflect values that are not in alignment with the academy.
18. All accessories chosen to be worn with a uniform, for example, bookbags, athletic gear, lanyards, masks, belts, shoes, outerwear, school supplies, etc should not have themes that convey political statements or political party affiliations, social issues, drugs, alcohol, music groups, and/or current pop culture trends are not permissible.
19. The administration reserves the right to make judgment calls on modesty, and all issues of dress code or grooming, including any issues not listed.

### **Spirit Day (Fridays)**

If your student chooses, in lieu of the standard uniform worn Monday-Thursday they may continue with school pride and wear acceptable TCA gear and jeans.

- TOP – All TCA branded t-shirts, appropriate athletic jerseys, or TCA event/club/association shirts are acceptable.
- BOTTOM – Jeans may be worn that have no holes, rips, tears, frays, and no sag. Jean colors must stay within school colors (blue, black, gray, white, or khaki)
- Outerwear must remain the same.
- If not participating in Spirit Day Friday, student must be in regular uniform dress code.

**Parent Note:** We appreciate your attention to, concern with, and responsibility for the manner in which your child dresses for learning. Dress code violators will be asked to change into appropriate attire at the time they are seen. If they are unable to do so, the student will either be sent home to change, or they will stay out of class until someone can bring them the proper uniform attire.