## 2023-2024 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 for TCA outerwear and fan gear www.frenchtoastschoolbox.com for all polos (must have logo), boys and girls shorts, and girl's skirts. You must shop by school name then select grade level. There is a uniform section just for Trinity Christian Academy where your student's uniforms must be purchased. Uniform pants may be purchased through other vendors, such as: Old Navy, Walmart and JC Penney. All purchases should be of the appropriate size and modest in appearance.

## Dress Code:

- Collared polo shirts with TCA logo (royal blue, black, gray, or white) - Must be purchased through French Toast school tab.
- Skirts (khaki, gray, or black) - Must be purchased through French Toast school tab.
- Pants (khaki, gray, or black). Any vendor
- Shorts (khaki, gray, or black) - Must be purchased through French Toast school tab.


## 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 shirts are acceptable. No solid-colored shirts may be worn without TCA branding.
- BOTTOM - Jeans may be worn that have no holes, rips, tears, frays, or unfinished hems. Jean colors must be blue, black, gray, or khaki.
- Outerwear is the same.
- If not participating in Spirit Day Friday, students must be in regular uniform dress code.


## Accessories:

All accessories chosen to be worn with a uniform (for example, bookbags, athletic gear, lanyards, 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. Sunglasses may not be worn on face, head or uniform. No chains hanging outside of pockets/belt loops. No spiked jewelry/chokers may be worn. Bandanas may not be worn or brought to school.

## Badges:

Students must always wear their ID badges on a lanyard around their neck during the school day with the exception of Physical Education.

## Ears:

Body/facial piercings are not allowed. Earlobes are acceptable.

## Air pods:

Air pods may not be worn or seen during the school day (7:40-3:00).

## Hair:

Hair color must be natural colors and not be distracting to the learning environment. Young men may have facial hair that is neatly trimmed. Hair must be kept out of student's eyes.

## Hats/Hoodies:

Students may not wear hats of any style or ballcaps at any time during the day. When wearing a hooded jacket, hoods may not be worn on head at any time during the day.

## Outerwear:

All outerwear must have a TC branded logo in any color combination of royal blue, black, gray, white (for example, any outerwear may have school associated logos from TC Sports, Clubs, etc.). No outerwear without a TC logo is allowed. If a student is not wearing TC branded outerwear, they will be asked to remove their outerwear and a TC option will be offered in its place.

## Pants:

Pants/shorts may not sag. No jeans, jeggings, sweatpants, athletic pants, workout spandex, joggers (ankle elastic), cargo, carpenter, overalls or corduroy pants/shorts. Pants outerwear in general may have no rips, tears, holes, frays or unfinished hems.

* Long sleeved shirts and ladies tights that may be worn under their uniforms in cold weather, must be royal blue, black gray or white.
* The administration reserves the right to make judgment calls on modesty and all issues of dress code or grooming, including any issues not listed.


## Shoes:

Students may not wear Crocs, slides or house slippers/shoes. Boys may not wear open toe shoes. Boots may be worn with pants that cover the boots so not to be tucked in. Students may not pull socks over their pant legs.

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 the violation is a modesty issue, the student will either be sent home to change or have a proper uniform brought to them to change.

