

# ACCHS STUDENT DRESS CODE REVIEW

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# Why a dress code?

- ▶ At ACCHS, we believe student appearance correlates directly with their readiness to learn, academic focus, attitude and behavior.
- ▶ Student appearance should reflect confidence, modesty, self respect and respect for others.
- ▶ At ACCHS, we are trying to teach students how to present themselves in society as young adults and prepare them to enter adult life.

# When should students be in dress code?

- ▶ Students are expected to be in compliance with the dress code upon entering the school building each morning.
- ▶ Students are expected to remain in proper dress code until the dismissal bell rings at 2:50 PM each school day.
- ▶ Any student not in compliance with the dress code at any time throughout the school day will be given detentions.
  - ▶ Multiple Dress Code violations at any one time will result in multiple detentions being issued (1 for each violation)
  - ▶ Repeated violations may incur more severe consequences.

# DRESS CODE SPECIFICS:

## For BOTH Boys and Girls: (as found on pages 18-23 of the Student Handbook)

- ▶ **SHIRTS:** During the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters, the official Green Dry Fit Polo shirt, purchased from Flynn and O'Hara, may be worn.
- ▶ During the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters, a solid white oxford cloth, long or short sleeve, button-down shirt, which may be purchased anywhere, **MUST** be worn.  
  
(\*\*An oxford shirt has button down collars as opposed to a plain white dress shirt\*\*)
  - ▶ Shirts are to be kept properly tucked in at all times; Rolling up the shirrtails is not permitted.
  - ▶ Collar buttons must be buttoned at all times.
  - ▶ Short shirt sleeves, including polo shirts, are not permitted to be rolled up.
  - ▶ Only solid white T-Shirts are permitted to be worn under the shirt. T-shirts with designs, logos, words, etc. are not permitted to be worn under the shirt; Long sleeved T-shirts are not permitted to be worn under short sleeve shirts.

## For BOTH Boys and Girls:

- ▶ **SHOES:** The preferred shoe for both girls and boys is a **solid, brown or black, leather dress shoe which does not go above the ankle.**
  - ▶ Moccasins of any type are not permitted.
  - ▶ Solid brown, black, or tan one-color without design boat shoes (such as Sperry) are permitted.
  - ▶ Boots, sandals, athletic shoes, canvas shoes (such as Toms), backless shoes or half-back clogs, hikers, work shoes, flip-flops, slipper, soft-soled or no-sole shoes, etc. **are not permitted.**
  - ▶ Shoelaces must be black or brown. Multi-colored shoelaces are not permitted

**\*\*Note: Any shoe deemed unsafe by the administration due to its condition and/or type will not be permitted.\*\***

# For BOTH Boys and Girls:

- ▶ **SWEATERS:** When a sweater is worn, the official school V-Neck sweater, which must be purchased from the Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company, or the official ACCHS quarter-zip, purchased directly from the school, are the only sweaters permitted.
  - ▶ The collar of the quarter zip must be unzipped
- ▶ **STUDENT ID:** The current Allentown Central Catholic ID badge and lanyard must be worn at all times during the school day. The picture and information on the front of the Student ID must not be covered or altered in any manner.
  - ▶ **Replacement of Student IDs:** If a student forgets or loses their ID, they should report to the Finance Office immediately. Each student is allotted one free replacement ID. If any further replacements are needed, a fee of \$5 will be incurred by the student payable to Allentown Central Catholic at the time the replacement is issued. If the student does not have the \$5 available, they must bring the money by the next school day. Failure to replace or pay for an ID will result in detentions being issued.
  - ▶ Replacements for damaged lanyards are available in the Finance Office at a cost of \$3.00. Students are responsible for maintaining their ID and lanyard in good repair.

# For BOTH Boys and Girls:

## ▶ JEWELRY/EARRINGS:

- ▶ Students wanting to wear promotional bracelets must receive administration approval prior to wearing these bracelets; No more than 2-3 bracelets may be worn on each wrist.
- ▶ No more than one ring on each hand is permitted.
- ▶ One religious medal of a reasonable size on a silver or gold chain is permitted to be worn inside or outside the shirt. Other neck jewelry is not permitted at any time.
- ▶ Boys are not permitted to wear earrings or ear- cuffs even if they are covered with a bandage.
- ▶ Hoop or dangling earrings are not permitted for girls.
- ▶ Visible body piercing jewelry is not permitted. Exceptions will NOT be made for new piercings even if they are covered with a bandage.
- ▶ It is not permitted to wear, affix, or store earrings, pins, or other jewelry, or stickers anywhere on the shirt.
- ▶ Wallet chains, etc. are not permitted.

## For BOTH Boys and Girls:

- ▶ **TATTOOS:** Tattoos are not permitted to be visible at any time from the time a student enters the building until he or she exits the building.
- ▶ **CAPS/HOODS:** Caps, hats, bandanas, or pulled up hoods are not permitted to be worn in the building at any time.
- ▶ **MAKE-UP:** Glitter make-up and/or glitter hairspray are not permitted.
  - ▶ Boys are NOT permitted to wear nail polish or any type of make-up at any time.
- ▶ **CONTACTS:** Unusual or unnatural colored (Wild Eyes/Crazy Eyes) contact lenses are not permitted.
- ▶ **GROOMING:** All clothing worn in school is required to be clean, pressed, and not torn.



# DRESS CODE SPECIFICS

## Boys only: (as found on pages 18-23 of the Student Handbook)

- ▶ PANTS: All boys must wear the official grey school pants which must be purchased from the Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company.
  - ▶ A solid **brown or black leather** dress belt with a small, plain silver or gold buckle must be worn properly around the waist.
- ▶ NECKTIES: All boys must wear a dress necktie when wearing the button down oxford. These may be purchased anywhere.
- ▶ SOCKS: Socks, not shorter than  $\frac{1}{4}$  length socks, must be worn at all times; **grey, black, or white ONLY**

- ▶ **HAIR:** Hair is to be kept stylishly neat and clean.
  - ▶ Excessively long (over the top of the ears, over the shirt collar, and/or in the eyes) hairstyles, unusual or distracting hairstyles, and unnatural colors are not permitted.
  - ▶ It is not permitted to shave lines, designs, words, numbers, etc. into hair.
  - ▶ Sideburns may not extend below the earlobes.
  - ▶ Ponytails or tails of any type are not permitted.
  - ▶ Shaved heads or partially shaved haircuts are not permitted.
  - ▶ Hair bands, designed to hold longer hair back, and the like are not permitted.
  
- ▶ **FACIAL HAIR:** Boys are to be clean shaven at all times.
  - ▶ Beards and moustaches are not permitted.
  - ▶ **Only a note from a dermatologist indicating a specific skin condition that prohibits a boy from shaving daily is an acceptable excuse.**  
The boy will be expected to shave at minimum weekly, even with a dermatologist note. These notes must be updated yearly.

# DRESS CODE SPECIFICS

## Girls only: (as found on pages 18-24 of the Student Handbook)

- ▶ **KILTS:** All girls must wear the official plaid kilt which must be purchased from the Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company.
  - ▶ All kilts must be worn to the top of the kneecap. Any kilt that cannot be lengthened in accordance with the school mandate to touch the top of the kneecap must be replaced.
  - ▶ Kilts are not permitted to be rolled.
  
- ▶ **SLACKS:** At any time during the school year, girls will be permitted to substitute the official gray slacks, which must be purchased from the Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company, for the kilt.
  - ▶ A solid brown or black leather dress belt with a small, plain silver or gold buckle must be worn properly around the waist.

**NOTE:** ANY girl who is written up 3 times for rolling the kilt/skirt or for it being too short (more than 1 inch above the knee) will lose the privilege of wearing the kilt/skirt and **MUST** purchase and wear the Gray Uniform Pants from Flynn O'Hara for the duration of the school year

- ▶ **HOSIERY:** All girls wearing kilts must wear solid white, navy blue or green, non-sheer knee socks or tights.
  - ▶ Knee socks must be pulled up completely.
  
- ▶ **HAIR:** Hair is to be kept stylishly neat.
  - ▶ Unusual and/or distracting hairstyles or unnatural colors, streaks or highlights are not permitted.
  - ▶ It is not permitted to shave lines, designs, words, numbers, etc. into the hair.
  - ▶ Shaved heads or partially shaved haircuts are not permitted.

# ACCEPTABLE SHOES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS:

(please note, these are examples, not the only types of shoes permitted)

## Girls:



## Boys:



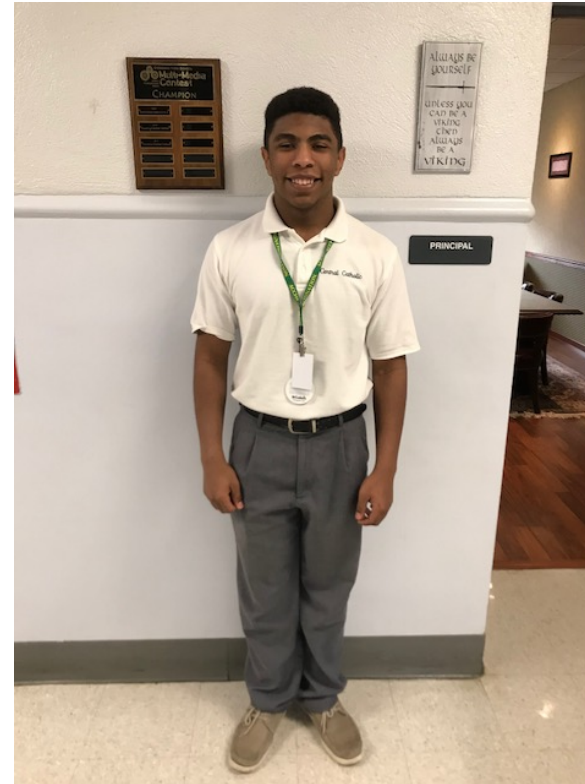


# Shoes that are NOT acceptable for EITHER Boys or Girls:



# Students in appropriate dress code:

## ► Boys:



**\*\*please note this is the old version of the polo shirt.  
The new polo shirts are green\*\***

# Students in appropriate dress code:

## ► Girls:





# ACCCHS GYM UNIFORMS:

- ▶ All students must wear the official CCHS T-shirt and shorts (sweatpants are available as well!), available through Flynn and O'Hara uniform company.
- ▶ Failure to dress in appropriate gym clothing will result in detentions



# CASUAL/SPIRIT DAY DRESS CODE:

- ▶ Students are permitted to wear casual pants (including clean and not ripped jeans and sweatpants). Yoga pants, leggings or similar tight-fitting pants are NOT permitted.
- ▶ Students are permitted to wear only Allentown Central Catholic polo shirts, T-shirts, long sleeve shirts or sweat shirts (hood down). These Shirts must be visible and not covered by a non-Allentown Central Catholic shirt.
- ▶ Students are permitted to wear sneakers. However sandals, backless shoes, flip-flops, and bedroom slippers are not permitted.
- ▶ Mini-skirts (skirts shorter than the uniform kilt) or other immodest attire are not permitted for girls.
- ▶ Tank tops or other sleeveless attire are not permitted for either boys or girls.
- ▶ Shirts/blouses that expose the midriff (stomach/waist) are not permitted for either boys or girls.
- ▶ Neither boys nor girls are permitted to wear caps, hats, bandanas, or pulled up hoods.
- ▶ Student IDs are required on Casual/Spirit Dress Days.