

## HIGH SCHOOL DRESS CODE

### Dress Code Philosophy

The standard of dress at Peoria Christian School is designed to reflect **modesty, neatness, and appropriateness**. It is designed to contribute to a distinctively Christian education and promote an effective learning environment. **The administration reserves the right to determine if a student is not dressed modestly, neatly, or appropriately.**

- **Modesty** is defined as ensuring we are dressed in a way that honors Christ and does not offend and/or tempt others.
- **Neatness** is defined as clothing that is clean, properly fitting, and in good repair.
- **Appropriateness** is defined as clothes that fit a school setting and not necessarily a social activity.

### Dress Code Guidelines

All high school students are to wear an approved PCS standardized shirt while on campus for each day of attendance, including before and after school. The shirt is not to be altered in any manner and is to be appropriately sized. The PCS standardized apparel must be the outer layer of clothing at all times. All PCS standardized collared shirts can be purchased from The Charging Station. Students can wear any sweatshirt/jacket purchased through The Charging Station.

### General Dress Code Guidelines

- All clothing should meet PCS standards of modesty, neatness, and appropriateness.
- All clothing should be clean and in good repair. Clothing should be without rips, tears, holes, patches, and frays.
- All clothing should provide appropriate coverage. No cleavage for girls, and undergarments/underwear should remain covered at all times for boys and girls when standing, sitting, or bending.
- **PCS standardized collared shirt must be worn under the PCS zip-up hoodie or sweater that can be unbuttoned or unzipped.** PCS approved jackets are the only acceptable jackets that can be worn during school hours.
- Jewelry should be moderate and in good taste. Boys may not wear earrings or earplugs at school or any school-sponsored/related events. Girls may not wear earplugs at school or any school-sponsored/related events. Excessive ear piercing will be determined by the administration.
- During school hours, hats, caps, bandanas, etc., should be removed while in the building.
- Dog collars, spiked bracelets, thick chains, or wallet chains are **not** to be worn.
- Tattoos, body, and tongue piercings are **not** allowed.

### Acceptable Pants/Shorts/Skirts

- Pants that are free from tears, holes, frayed spots, patches and fit properly
- No athletic pants/shorts
- No jeggings
- No fatigues
- Shorts (Boys) – long non-athletic shorts
- Shorts (Girls) – capris and knee-length (bermudas) shorts
- Skirts (Girls) – minimum length must touch the top of the knees

### Logo T-Shirt Days (Casual Days)

Each Friday is Logo T-shirt day. Students can wear a PCS logo-wear t-shirt (i.e., athletic or activity t-shirt, purchased logo-wear, etc.). Clothing worn on casual days must still meet general dress code guidelines of modesty, neatness, and appropriateness. The administration may also announce casual days for certain events or activities at their discretion.

### Student Council Tuesday T-shirt

Students can purchase a themed Student Council t-shirt and a class t-shirt that may be worn on Tuesdays or Fridays. Note: the previous year's shirt may be worn only on Fridays.

### Extra-curricular Events

- Field Trips – Standardized shirt and approved pants are to be worn on field trips. Casual dress is not to be worn on trips unless approval is granted by the administration.
- Athletic/Extra-curricular Events – General guidelines of modesty, neatness, and appropriateness apply. Please note that boys are **not** to wear earrings.

### Dress Code Disciplinary Procedures

Dress Code violations begin at the start of each semester (this does not apply to hair violations).

**1st violation** – Warning

**2nd violation** – Administrative Detention

**3rd violation** – Administrative Detention, Workday & conference with parent and Principal

## **4th violation & beyond – ISS**

### **Hair Code and Grooming Standards**

Hair must be clean, well-groomed, and kept out of face for both male and female students.

### **Student Council Formal Event Dress Code and event policy**

Events include, but are not limited to, Homecoming, Vice Versa, and Spring Banquet. Neatness is expected from all participants. All female staff, students, and **guests** must abide by our modesty and appropriateness guidelines, or they will be asked to change, cover up or leave the event and will be subject to discipline as determined by the Administration. Dresses must meet these guidelines:

- Absolutely no cleavage
- Dress must cover the back (See Principal or Student Council Advisor for clarification)
- Dress must be no shorter than 3" above the knee
- No midriff showing (no sheer material)
- No slits above the knee
- No yoga pants
- Students will be released no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the event's scheduled end time.
- Guests who are age 21 years or older on the day of the event will not be permitted to attend the Student Council-sponsored event.
- Junior high or middle school students will not be permitted to attend the Student Council-sponsored event.
- Any student currently serving an expulsion or suspension from ours or another school district will not be allowed to attend the Student Council-sponsored event.
- Students bringing a guest must fill out a Guest form and return it to the office by the Wednesday before the Student Council-sponsored event.
- Dress code violations will result in a Workday. This includes students that bring a date from outside PCS that are not in the dress code.