

Dress Code

Faith Lutheran High School students should take pride in their appearance. Generally, our dress and appearance should be one which reflects a healthy respect for self and also respect for those around us and with whom we associate. Clothing and/or appearance which brings undue attention to the individual or which may distract others and draw attention away from the general educational purposes we share at Faith Lutheran High School is to be avoided. An even higher concern relates to our being bold and effective witnesses of the love of Christ for all mankind. Our dress and appearance is to be one which complements that opportunity. Daily parental support and assistance in upholding the school dress code is both appreciated and necessary.

The dress code applies through the entire school day, that is, from the time a student first arrives on campus and until the student leaves the campus after school. Students needing to change into other clothes, prior to leaving school, must have valid reason and administration permission. If you are uncertain if an item of clothing is acceptable, get approval before wearing it.

All clothing and accessories must fit properly, be neat, clean, in good condition, and worn as designed at all times. Baggy or tight fitting clothing is unacceptable. Clothes with holes, patches, frays, or stains may not be worn to school. To this purpose, the following guidelines are presented as expectations of Faith students:

- Acceptable shirts include t-shirts, polos, long sleeves, button down shirts, or sweatshirts. Tank tops, sleeveless tops, spaghetti straps, and strapless shirts are unacceptable. No undergarments, cleavage, or torso should be visible at any time.
- Acceptable bottoms include shorts, skirts (for ladies), athletic shorts/pants, jeans, capris and dress pants. Leggings are unacceptable.
- Students must wear shoes at all times. Acceptable shoe choices include tennis shoes, loafers, deck/boat shoes, flats, dress shoes, boots and sandals. Sandals must have a back.
- Hair is to be modest in style, clean, and neatly combed or brushed. Hair may not be dyed or bleached beyond a natural color. Hair style and color should not be distracting. Hair should not fall below the eyebrow in the front.
 - For males, hair length should not fall below the middle of the ear or cover the middle of the collar. Facial hair is not permitted, and sideburns should not extend below the bottom of the ear.
- Drawing and/or writing on skin, clothing, or shoes is not permitted.
 - For females, fingernail polish and make-up may be worn when it is applied moderately.
- Visible tattoos or body piercing (beyond single post earrings for ladies) is unacceptable.
- Jewelry, if worn, must be simple and appropriate for educational activities.

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- Chains, wristbands, chokers, clothing with metal studs, and other gothic accessories, including make-up and nail polish of black or other excessive amounts of dark colors in clothing and/or accessories, are not allowed.
- Sunglasses, bandanas, hats, headwear, gloves, and arm bands are not allowed to be worn in the school building.
- PE clothes – Students will be expected to wear t-shirts, athletic shorts/pants and tennis shoes each day for P.E. Students may wear their P.E. clothes to school. A full description of expectations will be reviewed in P.E. class.

Chapel Day Dress Code

Out of respect for our Lord through the worship setting, students are expected to dress up on chapel days. All school dress code rules apply, in addition to the following guidelines:

Ladies

- Acceptable shirts are knit polo, button-up dress shirt with a collar, or other dress shirts. Shirts may be long or short sleeve, in any solid color, striped, discretely patterned, or plaid. Shirts must be buttoned to within 2 inches of the collar bone and must cover all cleavage. Shirt sleeves are expected to completely cover the shoulder. Shirts that are tight fitting or expose the midsection of the torso when hands are raised are not acceptable. Manufacturer's emblems and logos are permitted when they are no larger than one inch in width and height. Large patterned or Hawaiian styled shirts are not acceptable. If a camisole is worn, it should not be visible.
- Acceptable pants or capris should be traditional style dress pants, neatly pressed, not casual, not form-fitting, skin tight, or skinny style pants. Pants should be of a single traditional solid dress color of khaki, brown, black, gray, navy blue, olive, maroon or plaid. Rivets, corduroy, and jean material are not permitted. Acceptable pants should have no more than four pockets (no cargo pockets or pockets sewn on the outside of the pants) and be without ankle elastic (jogger style).
- Acceptable skirts or skorts include: pleated skirts, circle skirts, asymmetrical (high-low) skirts, full-length skirts, maxi skirts, or A-line skirts. Skirts should extend to fingertip length plus 3 inches at the shortest point. All skirts should be of traditional dress solid colors (same colors as the pants), plaid, florals or printed patterns. No jeans materials for skirts. No pencil skirts or form-fitting skirts. Any leggings, tights, or hose worn with skirts should be of solid colors, same as traditional pants colors.
- Dresses are acceptable as long as they cover the shoulder, cover all cleavage, extend fingertip length plus 3 inches, and may not be tight fitting.

Gentlemen

- Acceptable shirts are knit polo or full-button button-up dress shirts with a collar. Shirts may be long or short sleeve, in any solid color, striped, discretely

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patterned, or plaid. Gentlemen may elect to wear a tie with long pants, but ties should coordinate with the shirt. Shirts that are tight fitting or expose the mid-section of the torso when hands are raised are not acceptable. Manufacturer's emblems and logos are permitted when they are no larger than 1 inch in width and height. Large patterned or Hawaiian styled shirts are not acceptable. Shirts will be buttoned completely other than the top button.

- Acceptable pants should be traditional style dress pants, neatly pressed, not casual, not form-fitting, skin tight, or skinny style pants. Pants should be of a single traditional solid dress color of khaki, brown, black, gray, navy blue, olive, or maroon. Rivets, plaid coloring, corduroy, and jean material are not permitted. Acceptable pants should have no more than four pockets (no cargo pockets or pockets sewn on the outside of the pants) and be without ankle elastic (jogger style).

Penalties for dress code violations.

- When a dress code deficiency is noted, the student will be given the opportunity to correct the deficiency immediately, and he/she will be expected to maintain proper dress from that point forward. If a student persists in a noted dress code deficiency, his/her rights to continue in class the balance of that school day may be forfeited, or other school disciplinary measures may be applied. Students who have violations that require a change of clothes will be allowed to telephone home. Clothes are to be brought to school within the hour. Repeated violations will result in additional discipline measures.