



## **DRESS CODE**

A student's appearance has an impact on his/her attitude, behavior, and learning. Students at Windsor Charter Academy (WCA) shall dress appropriately to show a high degree of personal respect and character. Student dress shall be a direct reflection of the level of character and respect representative of WCA. The guidelines set forth are meant to allow students the ability to wear clothing to WCA with a higher level of flexibility, while maintaining a high sense of personal respect for appearance and professionalism. Not all fashions worn outside the school are appropriate for WCA. At all times, administration reserves the right to require students to modify their dress if clothing is deemed inappropriate, or is a distraction to learning. A student found in repeated violation of the dress code will be subject to review by his/her parents/guardians, the administration and Executive Board as to appropriate disciplinary action. Suspension is a valid form of discipline for chronic dress code violations.

If at any time a student is not able to comply completely with the dress code due to medical needs, a written note from a physician is required. A conference with the student, guardian/parent, and teacher/principal will be held to determine the best way to honor the dress code and remain comfortable and healthy. If, at any time, a student is not able to comply completely with the dress code due to religious beliefs, a conference with the student, guardian/parent, and teacher/principal will be held to determine the best way to honor the dress code as well as the individual's religion. Administration, reserves the right to deem a student's attire a dress code violation.

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<b>General Guidelines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All clothing, jewelry and accessories must be modest and in good taste.</li> <li>• Clothing must conceal undergarments.</li> <li>• Wording or imagery must not convey messages that are sexual, racist, obscene or that are suggestive of gangs, drugs, tobacco, alcohol, violence or death.</li> <li>• Dresses are not to have bare midriffs or cling to the body.</li> <li>• Shorts, dresses, or skirts must be of modest length. The length must meet or exceed that of the fingertips when standing with arms at the side. This rule applies to the natural flow of the dress/shorts.</li> <li>• No backless, spaghetti strap, strapless, cold shoulder, or halter-type dresses or tops.</li> <li>• Dresses or tops with plunging necklines are not permitted.</li> <li>• Bottom garments must be worn at the waist and should not be saggy or baggy.</li> <li>• Bottom garments should not have holes or be frayed (except on free dress days).</li> </ul>		
<b>Tops</b>	<p><i>Solid colors: navy blue, light blue, green, white and grey, including heathered colors.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short or long-sleeved classic polo style shirt, turtlenecks, and mock turtlenecks.</li> <li>• Dress code compliant shirt must be worn under a sweatshirt, sweater, or sweater vest.</li> <li>• Oxfords and Peter Pan shirts must be solid white only.</li> <li>• Shirts must always be completely tucked in, except on free dress days.</li> <li>• Pre-approved WCA spirit clothing tops may be worn any day of the week.</li> <li>• Logos no larger than a credit card; one logo per top.</li> <li>• Hoods may not be worn inside the building.</li> <li>• Sweatshirts, hoodies, and zip-up fleeces are permitted anytime.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Colors: any solid color, Including heathered colors.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short or long-sleeved classic polo style shirt, button-down shirts with collars, turtlenecks, and mock turtlenecks.</li> <li>• Dress code compliant shirt must be worn under a sweatshirt, sweater or sweater vest.</li> <li>• Shirts must always be completely tucked in, except on free dress days.</li> <li>• Pre-approved WCA spirit clothing tops may be worn any day of the week.</li> <li>• Logos no larger than a credit card; one logo per top.</li> <li>• Hoods may not be worn inside the building.</li> <li>• Sweatshirts, hoodies, and zip-up fleeces are permitted anytime.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shirt sleeves must have material beyond the shoulder seam and may not have holes, windows, be torn or ripped.</li> <li>• If a top is sheer, a top that meets dress code guidelines must be worn underneath</li> <li>• Hoods may not be worn in the building.</li> </ul>

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<b>Bottoms</b>	<p><b>Pants &amp; Capris</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, khaki, grey, and black.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No denim.</li> <li>No athletic wear.</li> <li>No pajamas.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Colors: navy blue, khaki, grey and black.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No denim.</li> <li>Leggings and tights are not to be worn alone. They must be worn with tunics, skirts or dresses that follow the fingertip rule.</li> <li>No athletic wear except during PE.</li> <li>No pajamas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leggings/tights are not to be worn alone. They must be worn with tunics, skirts or dresses that follow the fingertip rule (cardigans can be worn if at fingertip length).</li> <li>No athletic wear except during PE.</li> <li>No pajamas.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Skirts, Skorts &amp; Shorts</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, khaki, grey, or black</i></p> <p><i>Pattern: blue gold plaid(Can be purchased from French Toast online).</i></p>		
	<p><b>Leggings</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, grey, black, or white.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leggings are not to be worn alone. They must be worn with skirts, dresses, or jumpers.</li> </ul>		
<b>Jumpers, &amp; Dresses</b>	<p><b>Polo Dresses</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, light blue, green, white and grey. No denim.</i></p> <p><b>Jumpers</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, or khaki</i></p> <p><i>Pattern: blue gold plaid (Can be purchased from French Toast online).</i></p>	<p><b>Polo Dresses</b>  <i>Solid colors: any solid colors.</i></p> <p><b>Jumpers</b>  <i>Solid colors: navy blue, or khaki. No denim.</i></p> <p><i>Pattern: blue gold plaid (Can be purchased from French Toast online).</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dresses or skirts that are sheer must have an under-layer that is not sheer and meets dress code guidelines for length.</li> </ul>
<b>Jackets &amp; Outerwear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter jackets, coats, hats, gloves, mittens, ear warmers, jean jackets, bandanas, and sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.</li> <li>Jackets and outerwear should be labeled with student name.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter jackets, coats, hats, gloves, mittens, ear warmers, jean jackets, bandanas, and sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.</li> <li>No personal blankets are allowed in the classrooms.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter jackets, coats, hats, gloves, mittens, ear warmers, jean jackets, bandanas, and sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.</li> <li>No personal blankets are allowed in the classrooms.</li> </ul>
<b>Hair</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hair must be of a natural</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be of a natural color,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be of a natural color,</li> </ul>

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<b>Shoes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No flip flops.</li> <li>No slippers, moccasins or shoes with wheels on the bottom.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No flip flops, except for free dress day.</li> <li>No slippers, moccasins or shoes with wheels on the bottom.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No flip flops, except for free dress day.</li> <li>No slippers, moccasins or shoes with wheels on the bottom.</li> </ul>
<b>Jewelry &amp; Accessories</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Piercing allowed only in the ears.</li> <li>Scarves are allowed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Piercing are allowed only on the ears. All other piercings must be removed during school hours and during school functions or replaced with a clear stud.</li> <li>No spikes or chains.</li> <li>Scarves are allowed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Piercing are allowed only on the ears. All other piercings must be removed during school hours and during school functions or replaced with a clear stud.</li> <li>No spikes or chains.</li> </ul>
<b>Formal Dress Uniform</b> The formal dress uniform is mandatory for certain functions to be determined by WCA including special occasions, field trips, pictures, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tops: White oxford shirt, Peter Pan collar, long or short sleeve</li> <li>Bottoms:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Navy blue pants, dress shorts, skirt or jumper.</li> <li>Skirts and jumpers may be blue gold plaid from French Toast online.</li> <li>Leggings and tights must be blue or white.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Approved tie or crossover tie—blue gold plaid from French Toast online.</li> <li>Blue sweater vest, crew neck sweater, or cardigan (optional).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tops: White oxford shirt, Peter Pan collar, long or short sleeve</li> <li>Bottoms: navy blue, khaki, grey and black</li> <li>Approved tie or crossover tie—blue gold plaid from French Toast online.</li> <li>Blue or white sweater vest, crew neck sweater, or cardigan (optional).</li> </ul>	
<b>Jeans Day</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeans may be worn on Friday for \$1.00 with the proceeds going to fund student activities.</li> <li>The last Friday of the month is</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeans may be worn on Friday for \$1.00 with the proceeds going to fund student activities.</li> <li>The last Friday of the month is</li> </ul>	

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	<p>“Free Jeans Day,” students do not have to pay to wear jeans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the Friday coincides with a Free Dress day, there is no charge to wear jeans.</li> <li>• Denim shorts and skirts are permitted.</li> </ul>	<p>“Free Jeans Day,” students do not have to pay to wear jeans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the Friday coincides with a Free Dress day, there is no charge to wear jeans.</li> <li>• Denim shorts and skirts are permitted.</li> </ul>	
<b>Game Day</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participating athletes for school-sanctioned events may wear their team jerseys/team shirts on the day of their game.</li> <li>• Pants, shorts, skirts, and skorts, must comply with dress code.</li> </ul>	
<b>P.E. Classes</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students must wear WCA physical education shirts and athletic shorts/pants during PE classes.</li> <li>• Students can wear athletic shorts/pants during athletic elective courses.</li> <li>• Physical education uniforms may not be worn as WCA spirit wear.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students must wear WCA physical education shirts and athletic shorts/pants during PE classes.</li> <li>• Students can wear athletic shorts/pants during athletic elective courses.</li> <li>• Physical education uniforms may not be worn as WCA spirit wear.</li> </ul>
<b>Scouting &amp; Military Uniforms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who are participating in scouting programs may wear their uniform on meeting days.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who are participating in scouting programs may wear their uniform on meeting days.</li> <li>• Students who are part of a military program may wear their military uniforms.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who are participating in scouting programs may wear their uniform on meeting days.</li> <li>• Students who are part of military programs may wear their military uniforms.</li> </ul>
<b>Casual Dances</b>		<p>Clothing should be in good taste and appropriate for a casual event according to the standards below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clothing should follow the normal WCA High School</li> </ul>	<p>Clothing should be in good taste and appropriate for a casual event according to the standards below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clothing should follow the normal WCA High School</li> </ul>

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		<p>Dress Code.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students may dress alternatively if there is a specific dance theme but they must follow the guidelines outlined for the event as approved by administration.</li> </ul>	<p>Dress Code.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students may dress alternatively if there is a specific dance theme but they must follow the guidelines outlined for the event as approved by administration.</li> </ul>
<b>Semi-Formal Dances</b>		<p>Dresses and suits should be in good taste and appropriate for a semi-formal event according to the standards below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dress pants or khakis and button-up dress shirt with collar</li> <li>• Ties, jackets, vests, or suspenders are optional</li> <li>• Dresses and shirts may be more casual than for a formal dance but must also meet the standards outlined above in the formal dress standards.</li> </ul>	<p>Dresses and suits should be in good taste and appropriate for a semi-formal event according to the standards below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dress pants or khakis and button-up dress shirt with collar</li> <li>• Ties, jackets, vests, or suspenders are optional</li> <li>• Dresses and shirts may be more casual than for a formal dance but must also meet the standards outlined above in the formal dress standards.</li> </ul>
<b>Formal Dances</b>		<p>Formal dresses and suits should be in good taste and appropriate for a formal event according to the standards below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuxedos or suits including dress shirt and tie. Jackets are optional.</li> <li>• The shirt top must conceal cleavage and sides.</li> <li>• If shirt top is sheer, a top that meets dress code guidelines must be worn underneath.</li> <li>• Backless dresses may not be cut below the natural bra line.</li> <li>• All necklines must be modest</li> </ul>	<p>Formal dresses and suits should be in good taste and appropriate for a formal event according to the standards below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuxedos or suits including dress shirt and tie. Jackets are optional.</li> <li>• Shirt, tops and blouses must conceal cleavage and sides.</li> <li>• If shirt top is sheer, a top that meets dress code guidelines must be worn underneath.</li> <li>• Dresses or shirts are not to have bare midriff; should not see skin when standing. Backless dresses may not be</li> </ul>

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		<p>and in good taste. Dresses with plunging necklines are not permitted. All necklines must fully cover below the natural bra line (armpit to armpit).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dresses may be spaghetti strap, strapless, cold shoulder, or halter-type if they meet the neckline requirement.</li><li>• Dresses or tops with sheer panels, lacing, or cut-outs/slits on any part of the bodice that reveal bare skin underneath (tear drop, slits, etc.) are not allowed.</li></ul>	<p>cut below the natural bra line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All necklines must be modest and in good taste. Dresses with plunging necklines are not permitted. All necklines must fully cover below the natural bra line (armpit to armpit).</li><li>• Dresses may be spaghetti strap, strapless, cold shoulder, or halter-type if they meet the neckline requirement.</li><li>• Dresses or tops with sheer panels, lacing, or cut-outs/slits on any part of the bodice that reveal bare skin underneath (tear drop, slits, etc.) are not allowed.</li></ul>
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