

For the 2022-2023 school year, a few changes have been made to the student appearance standards which also includes revised guidelines for enforcement. Please take some time to review the following revised documents carefully before making plans and new purchases for the coming year.

As a reminder, we desire to provide student appearance standards that are reasonable and reflect our three guiding principles of modesty, neatness, and unity. It is our intention that student apparel be easy for students to wear, easy for parents to purchase, and easy for CVCA to supervise.

The attached standards were set as the combined effort of many people. The Student Appearance Committee interviewed students, parents, administrators, teachers, staff members, and professionals in other private schools and implemented many of their suggestions. Success with these standards requires the support of everyone in the CVCA community. It is our hope that our student appearance standards will assist us in fulfilling our mission of to *Educating and Cultivating Servants for Christ*.

While we have taken care to set precise standards, no list of standards can cover every possibility. We realize that whenever appearance standards are implemented, there will be unforeseen circumstances. In light of this, the administration will make the final decision concerning student appearance compliance should specific issues arise.

CVCA UNIFORM VENDORS:

Kids Kloset

- 907 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221
- kidsklosetuniforms.net
- Purchase in store only

BSN Sports

- Order online through link on MY CVCA page
- sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/ohio/cuyahogafalls/cuyahoga-valley-christian-academy
- Shipped only

SquadLocker

- Order Online through link on MY CVCA page
- teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/cuyahoga-valley-christian-academy-store?_k=9lg2e3
- Shipped Only

Young's Screenprinting

- Order Online or in Store
- youngprinting.com/
- Order Online through link on MY CVCA page
- Pick-up or Shipped

STUDENT APPEARANCE STANDARDS – YOUNG MEN

Items not listed in these Standards are not permitted.

POLO SHIRTS	Long or short-sleeved polos: must be purchased through Kids Kloset, Young's, Squadlocker (SL), or BSN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid black, white, or royal with CVCA monogram (Kids Kloset, BSN, SL, Young's) • White polos <u>must</u> be worn with a black, white, or gray crew-neck T-shirt • Nike black, blue, gray displaying CVCA monogram
DRESS SHIRTS	Long-sleeved or short-sleeved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid white or light blue dress shirts (no stripes or patterns) • Free of name-brand logos or lettering • Top shirt button may be unbuttoned, but collar buttons must be buttoned, shirt must be tucked in neatly with belt visible
T-SHIRTS and HOODIES	Long-sleeved or short-sleeved crew neck (layered under polo or dress shirts); Hoodie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A solid color short/long sleeve shirt or hoodie may be worn underneath the CVCA shirt during cold weather (no patterns, letters, words, stripes, thermal underwear). • Hats/hoods may not be worn in the building – includes young men and women
SPIRIT WEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CVCA Spirit wear T-shirts and hoodies • Must display the CVCA logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may wear a solid long-sleeve shirt underneath their CVCA shirt during colder weather (no patterns, letters, words, stripes, or thermal underwear) • CVCA Spirit wear permitted Monday through Friday <p>NOTE: Full-zip CVCA Spirit wear only to be worn on Fridays</p>
PANTS and SHORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform style • No crop or capri length • No jeans, denim, or cargo • No sweatpants • Walking-length shorts • Shorts should be no shorter than 3 inches above top of knee; not rolled 	<p>Uniform style as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khakis (tan or black only), no denim jeans • No rivets or carpenter loops; must not be ripped, split, or frayed • Must adhere to business-attire standards for proper fit, and no low rise • Shorts should maintain the look of the longer style shorts, not calf length • Worn with a business-attire belt; solid black, solid brown, solid gray, or solid white
OUTERWEAR	CVCA monogram styles – recommended for cold weather comfort in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ¼-zip – Available through Kids Kloset, BSN, SL, and Young's • Nike ¼-zip CVCA monogrammed, available through Kids Kloset, BSN SL, Young's • CVCA-issued sports ¼-zip may also be worn • Encouraged to be worn over a uniform dress shirt, polo, or Spirit wear T-shirt • Recommended for cold weather comfort
SHOES and BOOTS	Must have a closed toe/heel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any reasonable shoe material except Croc style plastic; clean and in good repair • No sandals, Crocs, Birkenstocks, slippers, mules, clogs, rain boots, five-fingers, or vented water shoes • Check with the School Office if you have questions
SOCKS	Required when worn with sports-specific shoes	Any style or color sock that maintains a respectful design is appropriate (i.e., footie, crew, knee-length)
BELTS	Must be worn at all times on pants with belt loops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business-attire • Solid black, solid brown, solid gray or solid white
TIES	Long or bow ties	Any respectful design
CHAPEL ATTIRE	Standard dress code as described above for Monday through Friday; dress shirt with a tie encouraged but optional on Chapel Days	
SPIRIT FRIDAYS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform khakis or shorts with a CVCA sweatshirt (purchased from Kids Kloset, Young's SL, or BSN), or an approved CVCA club, group, or team shirt with CVCA monogram or crest • No letter jackets • A colorful crew-neck T-shirt under Spirit wear is permitted 	
ACCESSORIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young men may wear a reasonable amount of business-attire jewelry (no earrings, and jewelry should not be excessive). • All students are to keep their hair neat and well-groomed. Extreme hairstyles and unnatural hair color (blue, pink, green, etc. are not acceptable. Some examples would be hair with shaved portions or spikes. Hair may not cover either or both eyes. Young men are encouraged and may be asked to pull their hair back to accomplish this purpose. Boys are allowed to have facial hair, but it must be trimmed neatly and well groomed. • Bandannas and scarves are not to be worn during school hours. • Young men are not permitted to wear make-up, including nail polish. • Visibly pierced body parts are not in code for young men. Male students are not permitted to wear earrings during the school day or to formal school events (including field trips, homecoming, and prom). Tattoos are not to be visible at any time. • Pant chains or shirt chains are not permitted. • Hats and hoods may not be worn in the building. (This includes young men and young women.) • Remember that beyond school hours, the PRINCIPLE of MODESTY is always in effect for all CVCA events on and off campus. Anything which draws attention to oneself serves more to distract from this principle rather than to promote it. 	

STUDENT APPEARANCE STANDARDS – YOUNG WOMEN

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POLO SHIRTS	Long-sleeved or short-sleeved polos – must be purchased through Kids Kloset, Young’s, Squadlocker (SL), or BSN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid black, white, or royal with CVCA monogram (Kids Kloset, BSN, SL, Young’s) • White polos <u>must</u> be worn with a black, white, or gray crew-neck T-shirt • Nike black, blue, gray from BSN displaying CVCA monogram <p>Sizing Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a loose-fitting, business-attire size • Choose lengths that overlap slacks and shorts or can be easily tucked in • No part of the midriff can ever be exposed
T-SHIRTS and HOODIES	Long-sleeved or short-sleeved crew neck (layered under polo or dress shirts); Hoodie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may wear a solid color short/long sleeve shirt or hoodie underneath their CVCA shirt during colder weather (no patterns, letters, words, stripes, or thermal underwear). • Hats/hoods may not be worn in the building (includes young men and women).
SPIRIT WEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CVCA Spirit wear T-shirts and hoodies • Must display the CVCA logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may wear a solid long-sleeve shirt underneath their CVCA shirt during colder weather (no patterns, letters, words, stripes, or thermal underwear) • CVCA Spirit wear permitted Monday through Friday <p>NOTE: Full-zip CVCA Spirit wear only to be worn on Fridays</p>
PANTS and SHORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform style • No crop or capri-length • No jeans or denim • No leggings or sweatpants • No cargo • Walking-length shorts, no shorter than 3 inches above the top of knee; not rolled 	<p>Uniform style is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khakis (tan or black only); no denim jeans • No rivets or carpenter loops; must not be ripped, split, or frayed • Worn with a business-attire belt; solid black, solid brown, solid gray, or solid white, if polo is tucked in • Must adhere to business-attire standards for proper fit and no low rise
OUTERWEAR	CVCA monogrammed styles – recommended for cold weather comfort in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ¼-zip – Available through Kids Kloset, BSN, SL, and Young’s • Nike ¼-zip CVCA monogrammed, available through Kids Kloset, BSN SL, Young’s • CVCA-issued sports ¼-zip may also be worn • Encouraged to be worn over a uniform dress shirt, polo, or Spirit wear T-shirt • Recommended for cold weather comfort
SHOES and BOOTS	Must have a closed toe/heel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any reasonable shoe material except Croc style plastic; clean and in good repair • No sandals, Crocs, Birkenstocks, slippers, mules, clogs, rain boots, five-fingers, or vented water shoes • Check with the School Office if you have questions
SOCKS	Required when worn with sports-specific shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any style or color sock that maintains a respectful design is appropriate (i.e., footie, crew, knee-length) • Tights may not be worn under shorts
BELTS	Must be worn when polo is tucked in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business-attire (true belt: no ribbons, scarves, or sashes) • Solid black, brown, gray or white; worn in belt loops only
CHAPEL ATTIRE	Standard dress code as described above for Monday through Thursday	
SPIRIT FRIDAYS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform khakis or shorts with a CVCA sweatshirt (purchased at Kids Kloset, Young’s, SL, or BSN) or an approved CVCA club, group, or team shirt with CVCA monogram or crest • No letter jackets • Wearing a colorful crew-neck T-shirt under Spirit wear is permitted 	
ACCESSORIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young ladies may wear a reasonable amount of business-attire jewelry (should not be excessive). • All students are to keep their hair neat and well-groomed. Extreme hairstyles and unnatural hair color (i.e. pink, blue, green, etc.) are not acceptable. Some examples of extreme styles would be hair with shaved portions or spikes. Hair is to be worn out of the face and may not cover either or both eyes. • Bandannas and scarves are not to be worn during school hours. • Young ladies wearing make-up should be modest and not draw unnecessary attention. • Pierced body parts, other than ears, are not in code. Tattoos are not to be visible at any time. • Lace fabric is not acceptable. • Pant chains or shirt chains are not permitted. • Hats and hoods may not be worn in the building (includes young men and young women). • Remember that beyond school hours, the PRINCIPLE of MODESTY is always in effect for all CVCA events on and off campus. Anything which draws attention to oneself serves more to distract from this principle rather than to promote it. 	

STUDENT APPEARANCE STANDARDS FOR BOTH YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN

BANQUET ATTIRE

Ladies:

Modesty for girls is a very significant consideration in selecting a stylish formal or dressy dress. Parental cooperation is needed. We understand that modesty is somewhat subjective in nature, especially when the same dress fits each girl differently. However, we have established a description of modesty for girls' dresses that we believe is in keeping with the Spirit of our Appearance Guidelines. Dresses with the following characteristics do NOT meet the modesty requirement:

- Excessively tight/clingy material
- Backless dresses
- Low cut dresses, cleavage showing
- Excessively short hemline or high slit
- Midriff showing (2 piece dresses, mesh, cut-outs)

Gentlemen:

- Young men may wear a suit or sport coat with dress slacks (suit or tuxedo for JR/SR Banquet)
- Young men are not permitted to wear earrings to CVCA-sponsored events

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STANDARD DRESS VIOLATION

Dress code adherence is expected. CVCA faculty will check for dress code each class period on a daily basis. Students who are out of code will be given the opportunity to correct the violation and return to class. If necessary, parents will be called to bring in what is needed for the student to comply with SAS. Students will be asked to sit out of classes and do assigned work the remainder of the school day or until the violation can be corrected. Consequences for repeat violations may include lunch detentions and/or Saturday School.

Enforcement of Student Appearance Standards (SAS)

First Office Referral:

1. An email is sent to parents informing them of the nature of the SAS infraction.
2. Documentation of the violation is recorded in Facts SIS (formerly RenWeb).

Second Office Referral:

1. An email is sent to parents informing them of the nature of the SAS infraction and informing them that a third violation will result in two detentions.
2. The student receives a lunch detention.
3. Documentation of the violation is recorded in Facts SIS (formerly RenWeb).

Third Office Referral:

1. An email is sent to parents informing them of the nature of the SAS infraction and informing them that a fourth infraction will result in a Saturday school session.
2. The student receives two lunch detentions.
3. Documentation of the violation is recorded in Facts SIS (formerly RenWeb).

Fourth Office Referral:

1. An email is sent to parents informing them of the nature of the SAS infraction and alerting them that a Saturday school session will be scheduled. A follow-up phone call may be made to parents.
2. Documentation of the violation is recorded in Facts SIS (formerly RenWeb).

NOTE: Student Appearance Standards may be changed throughout the year pending the discernment of the CVCA Administration. We will communicate as needed to all CVCA families if changes are needed. When purchasing clothing for school, students and parents should follow the guidelines for the acceptable Student Appearance Standards outlined for students here. The Dean of Students Office holds the ultimate decision on what is acceptable.