

## DRESS CODE

At Delaware Christian School, we want to enforce a professional, modest, and clean dress code that gives DCS a unique and recognizable look. Although many items will be available through Educational Apparel, families are not required to purchase uniform items through Educational Apparel.

### **General Guidelines for Campus Wear**

- Above all, we seek to honor Jesus in the way that we dress. Students should dress in a way that is respectful of their peers and presents a professional, modest and clean appearance.
- Parents are expected to be the first to enforce the Delaware Christian School dress code.
  - If you have any questions, please ask the appropriate principal.
- Students are expected to arrive on campus in dress code-appropriate clothing.
- Outwear rules (fleece and coats) only apply during school hours. Students may wear any coat or outerwear to and from school but not during the school day (8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.)
- All clothing should be clean and in good repair. Clothing with holes, rips, stains, or tears is not permitted.
- Delaware Christian School campus wear must be free of all logos other than brand logos (Nike, Under Armour, Polo) or school logos approved by the administration. No other writing or emblems (such as names, sayings, college logos, or sports team logos) may be on campus wear.
- The hem of shorts, skirts, and jumpers must be no more than three inches above the top of the knee.
- Tops worn on campus must be modestly fitting and cannot be sleeveless, cropped, or show cleavage.
- Boys may not be shirtless while on campus.
- Sweatshirts (hooded, pullover, or zipper) and other forms of non-approved outerwear may not be worn during the school day.\*
- Delaware Christian School-approved uniform pullovers and coats are considered campus wear and may be worn with a campus-wear collared shirt underneath during school hours.
- Hair should not be distracting to teachers or students.
  - Hair should be of natural color, clean, and neatly maintained.
  - No streaking of unnatural color in hair is permitted.
  - Boys' hair length should not cover any part of their eyes at any time and should not consistently sit on their collar.
  - Boys' hair cannot be worn in a ponytail or a bun.
  - Facial hair is permitted if it is of natural color, clean, and neatly maintained.

*The DCS administration reserves the right to allow students to wear their hair in culturally appropriate ways at parent request. The administration also reserves the right to require a student to change their haircut or hairstyle.*

- Hats, hoods, and head coverings are not to be worn inside the building during school hours.
- All students must wear footwear.
- No body-piercing jewelry is to be worn at school or school-related events. Only girls may wear earrings. All tattoos, permanent or temporary, must be covered.
- Only girls may wear makeup, fingernail polish, or toe polish.

**High School Dress Code**

<b>Approved Tops</b>	<b>Clarification</b>	<b>Approved Colors</b>
Collared Shirt	Any short or long-sleeved collared polo or oxford shirt that fits appropriately (not overly loose fitting or tight fitting) and does not have text or artwork. A small brand logo on the breast or back is acceptable. The DCS shield is acceptable.	Black, Red, White** (Solid colors only. Shirts may have a small strip of a different color on the collar and cuffs)
Sweater	Any crewneck knit sweater or v-neck sweater (in the Education Apparel style; it does not have to be purchased from Education Apparel) that fits appropriately (not overly loose fitting, tight fitting, or long) and does not have a hood, text, or artwork. Button-down sweaters/cardigans are not approved. A small brand logo on the breast or back is acceptable. The DCS shield is acceptable. It must be made from a material that is not see-through in any situation.	Black, Red, White** (Solid colors only. Shirts may have a small strip of a different color on the collar and cuffs)
Sweater vest	Any sweater vest that fits appropriately (not overly loose fitting, tight fitting, or long) and does not have a hood, text, or artwork. Button-down sweater vests/cardigans are not approved. A vest may not have pockets other than breast pockets or side pockets. Vests may not have decorative materials (fringe, ruffles, etc.) A small brand logo on the breast or back is acceptable. The DCS shield is acceptable.  *** Must be worn with a collared shirt underneath ***	Black, Red, White** (Solid colors only. Shirts may have a small strip of a different color on the collar and cuffs)
Vest	Any vest that fits appropriately (not overly loose fitting or tight fitting) and does not have a	Black, Red, White** (Solid colors only. Shirts may have a small strip of a different

	<p>hood, text, or artwork. A vest may not have pockets other than breast pockets or side pockets. Vests may not have decorative materials (fringe, ruffles, etc.) A small brand logo on the breast or back is acceptable. The DCS shield is acceptable.</p> <p>*** Must be worn with a collared shirt underneath ***</p>	color on the collar and cuffs)
Undershirts	Short or long-sleeved solid-colored shirt worn under an approved top.	Black, Red, White** (Solid Colors Only)
Fleece (High School and Middle School Only)	<p>The DCS Sport-Tek Tech Fleece ¼-zip pullover</p> <p>*** Must be worn with a collared shirt underneath ***</p>	Charcoal gray
Coat (High School and Middle School Only)	<p>The DCS Port Authority Core Soft Shell Jacket</p> <p>*** Must be worn with a collared shirt underneath ***</p>	Charcoal gray
Coat (High School Only)	<p>DCS Letter Jacket</p> <p>*** Must be worn with a collared shirt underneath ***</p>	Red or Black
<b>Approved Bottoms</b>		
	<b>Clarification</b>	<b>Approved Colors</b>
Dress Pants	No denim, jeggings, athletic material, or sweatpants. No cargo pockets. May not be overly loose fitting or tight fitting. Pant cuffs must be hemmed. May not have text or artwork. A small brand logo is acceptable. Dress/golf pants made from dri-fit material are acceptable.	Black, Gray, Brown, Khaki** (Solid Colors Only)
Skirts	No denim or sweatshirt material. May not be shorter than or have a slit higher than three inches	Education Apparel DCS Plaid, Black, Gray, Brown, Khaki** (Solid Colors Only)

	above the knee. Not overly tight. May not have cargo pockets. No wrap-around skirts. Must be made from a material that is not see-through in any situation.	
Skorts	No denim or sweatshirt material. May not be shorter than three inches above the knee. Not overly tight. Must be made from a material that is not see-through in any situation. Short cuffs must be hemmed. Skorts made from dri-fit material are acceptable.	Black, Gray, Brown, Khaki** (Solid Colors Only)
Shorts	No denim or sweatshirt material. May not be shorter than three inches above the knee. Not overly tight. Must be made from a material that is not see-through in any situation. Short cuffs must be hemmed. Dress/golf shorts made from dri-fit material are acceptable.	Black, Gray, Brown, Khaki** (Solid Colors Only)
Leggings/Tights	May only be worn under a skirt. No cutouts or ornamentation.	Black, Gray, Red, White, Tan** (Solid Colors Only)
<b>Approved Shoes</b>	<b>Clarification</b>	<b>Approved Colors</b>
Athletic Shoes, Dress Shoes, Sandals, Crocs	Shoes must be in good repair with no obvious or hazardous damage. No slippers, slides, or flip-flops will be allowed on school campus except during specific themed dress down days.	Any Color

\* Fridays are school spirit days. On spirit days, students may wear campus-wear bottoms and any type of top with any type of DCS logo or theme.

\*\* In an effort to ease the financial burden for some families, DCS will phase out the navy blue color.

- Navy blue tops and bottoms will be allowed for the 2024 - 2025 school year.
- Navy blue bottoms will be allowed for the 2025 - 2026 school year.
- No navy blue will be allowed beginning in the fall of 2026.