

## FCA DRESS CODE

Our commitment at Family Christian Academy is to do all things in a way that is pleasing to the Lord and that will bring honor and glory to Him. Accordingly, what we wear should direct subtle attention to the inner person, not to the physical body. The essence of our dress code is expressed in the following Scriptures:

- “Whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God.” *1 Corinthians 10:31*
- “Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.” *1 Timothy 4:12*
- “Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” *Romans 12:2*

The FCA dress code has been established to provide minimum standards of dress and appearance that will assist parents and students in choosing appropriate clothing to be worn to classes and school functions. We realize that clothing styles are cultural and cultural standards are not always right or wrong. However, student attire needs to be safe, conservative, modest, neat and appropriate; also, it should not be a distraction nor tempt others to stumble or express an ungodly lifestyle.

It is the position of the FCA that the primary function of the school is to provide the foundation for the formation and development of proper attitudes. One basic attitude is seriousness of purpose toward education. The conduct and dress, which is acceptable and proper outside of the school environment, is often not appropriate for the school environment. FCA believes that important educational interests are furthered with the implementation of a dress code policy. Our goal in setting forth these guidelines is to provide our students with Christian guidance as we all strive to be good stewards in regard to our personal Christian testimony and that of FCA

### The dress code for FCA includes BUT IS NOT LIMITED to:

1. **Only school T-shirts may be worn daily.** All school T-shirts (male and female) must be a minimum 2” below the top of the waistband and **not to exceed 6”** or the top of the thighs when standing with arms at the sides.
- 2.** Pants cannot be longer than the bottom of the shoe and must fit at the waist. **Pants need to be Relaxed Fit Boot Cut or Relaxed Fit Straight Leg. No hip huggers, low riders, “skinny” jeans or below the waist pants are allowed. No Jeggings.** Pants must not be **saggy, baggy or tight** or have elephant legs (excessively wide style). If there are belt loops, a belt must be worn. Bib overalls are not allowed. Jeans with repair stitching, writing, pictures or graffiti are not allowed. Wearing clothing that is dirty, faded, frayed, excessively worn, or ripped is not permitted. Hemlines or shorts must be 1” above knee.
3. **No sweat pants/suits, jogging pants, or athletic apparel is acceptable except as required by P.E. teacher.**
- 4.** **No “hoodies” of any kind (pull over, zippered, etc.) are permitted within the building as daily wear or as part of the daily outfit except during winter months (ie. Dec, Jan, Feb). Only official FCA hoodies may be worn during cold months.**
5. No camouflage on any clothing or school articles.
6. Shoes or sandals with a strap on the heel must be worn at all times. No house shoes, house slippers, flip-flops, **Crocs™** or skate shoes are allowed. Shoes with laces must be properly tied.
7. Hats, bandanas, scarves or sunglasses are not permitted.
- 8.** Hairstyles must be clean, well kept, and moderate for both young men and women. Streaking or changing hair to an unnatural, distracting color or style is not allowed. Hair should be neat and clean, groomed in a fashion that does not distract from the learning process. No symbols or words should be cut or dyed into the hair. Hair for young men may not hit the collar of the shirt, must be cut over the top of the ear, no HARD PART cuts, no MOHAWK cuts. Tucking long hair behind the ear will not be acceptable when trying to meet these guidelines. **Young men must be clean-shaven everyday. Sideburns may not extend past the middle of the ear.**

