Franklin Classical School

Dress Code

2026-2027

FCS Dress Code Vision

The vision of the FCS dress code is rooted the Biblical principles of the FCS Honor Code.

To God Almighty: I will seek to honor the Lord in all that I think, say, and do (Deut. 26:17).

I recognize that my appearance and behavior reflect on Him as much as on me (I Cor. 10:31).

To my parents: I will attempt to honor my parents in everything I think, say, and do (Ex. 20:12).

To my church: I will attempt to be an ambassador of Christ and His Church wherever I am (Matt. 28:19-20).

To my teachers: I will do my utmost to learn as much and achieve as much as I possibly can (Phil. 4:8-9).

To my classmates: I will try to model honesty, integrity, kindness, and modesty in my relationship (Phil. 2:3-7)
I realize that disturbances affect everyone at school and will thus strive for peace (Eph. 4:1-6).

From these aspects of the honor code, we conclude that appearance should be honoring to God and the community.

As an ambassador of Christ, we are called to love by sacrificially putting others ahead of ourselves. To honor our teachers and classmates, we must express humility, modesty, and minimize distractions. At the same time, FCS values unity over conformity to a strict authoritarian structure and honors spheres of authority in which the school, family, and individual have voice in how a student dresses. George Grant refers to this idea as “the one and the many.” Thus, the dress code is a modified uniform that gives some freedom to choose options within unifying boundaries of color and style. Additionally, FCS values Semper Reformanda, which means “always reforming.” Thus, the choices grow and diversify as students get older.

Putting all of these principles together, the vision of the FCS modified uniform is to honor God by presenting ourselves beautifully, modestly, and harmoniously while giving some freedom to choose options within unifying boundaries of color and style.

FCS Dress Code Policy

We at Franklin Classical School believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is Lord over all things including standards of dress and modesty, for all we do takes place – coram deo – before the face of God. It is our desire to honor Christ with our outward appearance as well as in our heart and with our behavior. It is with these things in mind that we have set the following guidelines for dress at Franklin Classical School.

Be clean: Clothing should be free from dirt and stains.

Be neat: Wear attractive clothing in compliance with your biological sex as stated on your original birth certificate. Clothing will be free from wrinkles, holes, tears, fraying, fading, and tatters. Clothing will be appropriately sized for the wearer, being neither too tight nor excessively large. Unnatural hair colors and tattoos will not be allowed. Piercings are not allowed, other than single ear lobe piercings for girls. Shoes will be worn in class, in the hallways, and at school functions.

Be modest: Clothing will completely cover undergarments at all times. Shirts may not reveal any midriff area when standing or sitting. Cleavage must be covered.

FCS Dress Code Enforcement

If a student dresses in a way that does not meet the requirements of the dress code, a parent will be called, and the student will not be allowed to attend classes until his or her attire is appropriate. The parent may select one of the following options:

- Bring appropriate attire to school.
- Come to school and take the student home.
- Instruct a student who drives to go home and change clothes.

The student will not be allowed to attend classes until his or her attire is appropriate. These guidelines also apply to days when presentation attire is required. Students who fail to wear appropriate presentation attire will not be allowed to present their projects. Repeated violation of the dress code will be handled as a discipline issue including a meeting with the Headmaster and/or Academic Dean and any consequences deemed necessary.

Note: These enforcement guidelines also apply to days when presentation attire is required.

Online Links

Land's End FCS Page (School Number 900159260):

https://www.landsend.com/co/account/school-uniforms?selectedSchoolNum=900159260

School clothes may be purchased from the Land's End school shop.
OR
Clothes that meet color, length, and sleeve requirements may be purchased from the retailer of your choice.

Knight's Online Store and Sidelines (Spirit Days & Athletic Attire):

https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/Tennessee/Franklin/Franklin-classical-school

	Ladies Kindergarten - 6th Grade		Ladies 7th Grade - 12th Grade	
	Regular School Days	Presentation Days	Regular School Days	Presentation Days
Pants/Skorts	Skort colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid; Skort length must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee. Pants colors: khaki or black	Skort colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid; Skort length must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee.	Skort colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid; Skort length must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee. Pants colors: khaki or black	N/A
Skirt/Dress	Skirt colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid with shorts or leggings underneath Solid short or long sleeved dresses in Dark Green, Purple, or Black *K-1 must wear shorts or leggings underneath dresses and skirts*	Skirt colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid Dress colors (solid): black, dark green, or purple Dresses must have short or long sleeves; Dresses and skirts must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee. Shorts or tights should be worn under skirts and dresses	Skirt colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid Dress colors (solid): black, dark green, or purple Dresses must have short or long sleeves; Dresses and skirts must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee.	Skirt colors: khaki, black, FCS Plaid Dress colors (solid): black Dresses must have short or long sleeves; Dresses and skirts must not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee.
Shorts	Solid khaki or black chino	N/A	N/A	N/A
Belt	Solid black or brown when wearing pants, shorts, skort, or skirt with belt loops. A belt is optional with a dress. **Kindergarten - 1st Grade - Belt Optional**		Solid black or brown when wearing pants, shorts, skort, or skirt with belt loops. A belt is optional with a dress.	
Socks/Tights	Matching solid color socks (small brand logo permitted). During cold weather black leggings may be worn under a skirt.	Tights may be worn under skirts or dresses.	Matching solid color socks (small brand logo permitted). Tights may be worn under skirts or dresses. Leggings are not permitted.	Tights may be worn under skirts or dresses.
Shoes	Sneakers	Black or brown closed toe dress shoes	Sneakers, boots, flats, or pumps	Black or brown closed toe flats or pumps
Shirt	Tucked in solid polo (short or long sleeve) in solid black, white, dark green, or purple. No logo other than FCS.	Tucked in solid white button down blouse (short or long sleeve) with skort or skirt.	Tucked in solid polo (short or long sleeve). Solid, button-down, collared blouse (short or long sleeve) All shirts can be black, white, dark green, or purple. No logo other than FCS.	Tucked in solid white button down blouse (short or long sleeve) with skirt.
Top Layer	Optional: • Sweater vest or v-neck sweater in solid black or dark green • Cardigan in solid black, dark green, white, or purple. • Uniform approved sweatshirt in black, dark green, or purple • Quarter zip fleece in black or dark green	Optional: Sweater vest or V-neck sweater in solid black or dark green	Optional • Presentation top layer • Cardigan in solid black, dark green , white, or purple. • Uniform approved sweatshirt in black, dark green, or purple • Quarter zip fleece in black or dark green	Required with Skirt/Blouse: Solid black vest or blazer; sweater vest or V-neck sweater in black or dark green Senior Option: Dark green blazer
Outer Layer	Optional Overcoat or raincoat in a solid color; fleece vest or full zip fleece in solid black, white, dark green, or gray (with or without FCS logo)		Optional Overcoat or raincoat in a solid color; fleece vest or full zip fleece in solid black, white, dark green, or gray (with or without FCS logo)	
Head Covering	Optional Lady's dress hat, beanie, or FCS hat; A lady's dress hat may be worn inside unless it obstructs view. Other hats may be worn inside while changing location but must be removed during classes or other respectful circumstances (prayer, National Anthem, etc.). Hoods and beanies may only be worn outside.		Optional Lady's dress hat, beanie, or FCS hat; A lady's dress hat may be worn inside unless it obstructs view. Other hats may be worn inside while changing location but must be removed during classes or other respectful circumstances (prayer, National Anthem, etc.). Hoods and beanies may only be worn outside.	

Grammar Girl (K-6) - School Day

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional











Skorts no shorter than
4 inches above the knee

Tights/Leggings May Be Worn Under Skirts

Shirts tucked in

Polo shirts may be short or long sleeved

Grammar Girl (K-6) - Presentation

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional





Shirts tucked in

Dresses and blouses must be short or long sleeved

Skirts, skorts, and dresses no shorter than 4 inches above the knee

Tights May Be Worn Under Skirts and Dresses

Ladies (7-12) - School Day

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional









Dresses and blouses must be short or long sleeved

Shirts tucked in







Skirts, skorts, and dresses no shorter than 4 inches above the knee

Tights May Be Worn Under Skirts and Dresses

Ladies (7-12) - Presentation

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional













Dresses and blouses must be short or long sleeved

Shirts tucked in

Skirts and dresses no shorter than 4 inches above the knee

Tights May Be Worn Under Skirts and Dresses

	Gentleman Kindergarten - 6th Grade		Gentlemen 7th Grade - 12th Grade	
	Regular School Days	Presentation Days	Regular School Days	Presentation Days
Pants	Solid khaki or black chino	Solid khaki or black chino; or black dress slacks	Solid khaki or black chino	Solid khaki or black chino; or black dress slacks
Shorts	Solid khaki or black chino	N/A	N/A	N/A
Belt	Solid black or brown **Kindergarten - 1st Grade Belt Optional**		Solid black or brown	
Socks	Matching solid color (small brand logo permitted)		Matching solid color (small brand logo permitted)	
Shoes	Sneakers	Black or brown dress shoes	Sneakers, boots, or dress shoes	Black or brown dress shoes
Shirt	Tucked in solid polo (short or long sleeve) in solid black, white, dark green, or purple. No logo other than FCS.	Solid white button-down dress shirt. (tucked in)	Tucked in solid polo (short or long sleeve). Solid button-down dress shirt (short or long sleeve) All shirts can be black, white, dark green, or purple. No logo other than FCS.	Solid white button-down dress shirt. (tucked in)
Tie	N/A	Tie Colors (solid): black, dark green, or purple. Tie Colors (plaid): FCS Plaid	Optional Presentation tie	Tie Colors (solid): black, dark green, or purple. Tie Colors (plaid): FCS Plaid
Top Layer	Optional: • Sweater vest or v-neck sweater in solid black or dark green • Cardigan in solid black, dark green, white or purple, • Uniform approved sweatshirt in black, dark green, or purple • Quarter zip fleece in black or dark green	Optional: Sweater vest or V-neck sweater in solid black or dark green	Optional • Presentation top layer • Cardigan in solid black, dark green, white or purple, • Uniform approved sweatshirt in black, dark green, or purple • Quarter zip fleece in black or dark green	Solid black vest or blazer; sweater vest or V-neck sweater in black or dark green Senior Option: Dark green blazer
Outer Layer	Optional Overcoat or raincoat in a solid color; fleece vest or full zip fleece in solid black, white, dark green, or gray (with or without FCS logo)		Optional Overcoat or raincoat in a solid color; fleece vest or full zip fleece in solid black, white, dark green, or gray (with or without FCS logo)	
Head Covering	Optional Flat cap, trilby, fedora, beanie, or FCS hat; Hats may be worn inside while changing location but must be removed during classes or other respectful circumstances (prayer, National Anthem, etc.). Hoods and beanies may only be worn outside.		Optional Flat cap, trilby, fedora, beanie, or FCS hat; Hats may be worn inside while changing location but must be removed during classes or other respectful circumstances (prayer, National Anthem, etc.). Hoods and beanies may only be worn outside.	

Grammar Boy (K-6) - School Day

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional







Polo shirts may be short or long sleeved

Grammar Boy (K-6) - Presentation

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional













Shirts tucked in, solid black or brown belt

Gentlemen (7-12) - School Day

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional



Optional Tie



Optional Presentation Top Layer

Polo shirts may be short or long sleeved

Shirts tucked in, solid black or brown belt

Gentlemen (7-12) - Presentation

Visual guides represent some combinations of options.

FCS embroidered crest optional















Shirts tucked in, solid black or brown belt

Top Layer Options- All Grades

**students in grades 7-12 may also wear presentation top layers (a black blazer or black vest)*

Girls Cardigans

FCS embroidered crest optional

Boys Cardigan

V-Neck Sweater Vests



Uniform Approved Sweatshirts

Fleece Quarter Zips

V-Neck Sweaters



Seniors Only

Top Layer Options





Outer Layer Options - All Grades

FCS embroidered crest optional









Shoes and Socks

Shoes

Grammar

School Days: Sneakers
Presentation: Boots, flats (girls), dress shoes (boys).

LD/UD School Days

Ladies: Sneakers, boots, dress shoes, flats, pumps
Gentlemen: Sneakers, boots, dress shoes

LD/UD Presentation

Ladies: Flats or pumps (black or brown)
Gentlemen: Dress shoes (black or brown)

Socks

Matching solid color (small brand logo permitted)
Tights may be worn under skirts and dresses
Leggings are allowed under skorts for Grammar School only

Hats

Flat cap, trilby, fedora, beanie, women's dress hats or FCS hat

Hats may be worn inside while changing location but must be removed during classes or other respectful circumstances (prayer, National Anthem, etc.). Hoods and beanies may only be worn outside.











Other Notes

1. Unlisted items should be assumed to be unapproved.

2. Some special activities such as spirit days, outdoor days (camp), or field trips may allow additional options. Any special circumstances that may alter the dress code will be communicated prior to the activity.

Spirit Days: Students may wear regular school day attire, or any official FCS apparel with solid blue denim jeans.

Outdoor Days: Students may wear regular school day attire, or any official FCS polo or t-shirt with blue denim jeans or shorts. Shorts may be khaki or black chinos with a belt, or solid black athletic shorts. Athletic shorts must have a 4-inch inseam and waste not rolled up.

Special Events Attire: Events such as drama rehearsals, field trips, or selected days at school may call for clothing options that will be communicated from the teachers.