# APPEARANCE AND DRESS Grades 7 – 12

God has created us in His image and to glorify Him. Cambridge Christian students are to dress modestly at all times. Students are to wear the School uniform at all times except on announced special occasions. These guidelines are also found in the 2012-2013 Upper/Middle School Parent/Student Handbook. Uniforms and accessories may be purchased at Risse Brothers School Uniforms, located at 5100 W. Cypress St. Tampa 33607.

### Middle School (Grades 7 - 8)

<b>Girls Regular Uniform</b>	<b>Girls Chapel Uniform</b>	<b>Boys Regular Uniform</b>	<b>Boys Chapel Uniform</b>
Navy pants, shorts, or skort-no shorter than 3 ½ "above back of knee Plaid skort-no shorter than 3 ½ " above back of knee White, navy, gray or yellow knit shirt Socks Neutral, navy, gray or white solid color hose / tights or knee socks Black, brown, gray or navy shoes, low-cut No rubber shoes or "five-finger" shoes. Shoes must have backs and be worn properly.	Plaid skort-no shorter than 3" above back of knee White princess blouse or white polo Socks Black, brown, gray, or navy shoes.	Navy pants White, navy, gray or yellow knit shirt Socks Black, brown,gray or navy solid color low cut shoes. No rubber shoes or "five-finger" shoes. Shoes must have backs and be worn properly. Black, brown, or navy belt	Navy pants or navy shorts White oxford or white polo Socks Black, brown, or navy color low cut shoes. No rubber shoes or "five-finger" shoes. Shoes must have backs and be worn properly. Black, brown or navy belt (no metal spikes or studs)

## High School (Grades 9 – 12)

<b>Girls Regular Uniform</b>	<b>Girls Chapel Uniform</b>	<b>Boys Regular Uniform</b>	<b>Boys Chapel Uniform</b>
Khaki skort, short or pants- no shorter than 3 ½ " above	Plaid skort	Khaki shorts or pants	Khaki pants
the back of the knee	Princess Blouse or White Polo	White, navy, gray or yellow knit shirt	White oxford shirt
Plaid skort-no shorter than			Navy/Gold striped tie or
3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " above back of knee	Navy Blazer	Socks	Navy/Gold bowtie
White, navy, gray or yellow knit shirt	Socks	Black, brown, navy or gray color low-cut shoes	Navy Blazer- No Sweatshirts
	Neutral, navy, gray or white		Socks
Socks	hose, tights or knee socks	Shoes must have backs and	
Neutral, navy or white hose, tights or knee socks	Black, brown, gray or navy color shoes low-cut	be worn properly. Black, brown, gray or navy belt	Black, brown, gray or navy color shoes low-cut Shoes must have backs and
Black, brown, or navy	Shoes must have backs and		be worn properly
color shoes low-cut. Shoes	be worn properly. No open		•
must have backs and be worn properly. No open toes.	toes.		Black, brown, or navy belt

On chapel days students are to come to school in appropriate attire. They will not be admitted to first period without ties, jackets, belts, etc. Ties are to remain in place until lunch. Regular chapels are scheduled for Wednesdays.

### **Dress Code Violations**

The administration will make the final decision as to the appropriateness of a student's appearance and dress. Students will be sent to the upper school office at the start of the day if they are not in full uniform. They may not attend class until they have obtained the appropriate dress code pieces. These may be brought from home, obtained from the Clothes Closet or purchased from the Campus Store. Late entry to class due to uniform issues will result in the student being recorded tardy or absent depending on the length of time it takes to remedy the situation.

#### Additional Notes

- 1. Shirts worn with pants must be tucked in so belt is visible.
- 2. Undershirts may be worn underneath uniform shirts in either solid navy, white or gray.
- 2. Girls are not required to tuck the knit polo shirt provided that the shirt is neither too short nor too long or baggy. Shirts need to look neat. Girls are required to tuck the oxford chapel shirt.
- 4. Shorts/Skorts need to be worn at a modest, non-distracting length as to be determined by faculty and administration and **no shorter than 3** ½ " **above the back of the knee**. The waistband may not be rolled.
- 5. Oxford shirts (tucked in) need to be buttoned and tucked at all times while on campus.

### Belts

Belts must be worn at all times with uniform slacks. Belts are to be black, brown, gray or navy. Shorts/Pants are to be worn at the waist so belt is visible.

### Footwear

Boys and girls are to wear closed toe black, brown, gray or navy low cut shoes with backs – no sandals, clogs, boots or slide in shoes. Shoes must be worn properly and not just slid on. Flip-flop style shoes are not permitted. No rubber shoes, water shoes, or "five-finger" shoes.

### <u>Jewelry</u>

Girls' necklaces are limited to modest pieces and must be removed during Physical Education class. Visible tattoos, body writing or body piercing are not permitted. Boys may not wear earrings (plugs or band-aids on their ears) on campus or at school functions. Girls earrings are limited to two per ear.

### <u>Hair</u>

Students are to keep their hair neat, well-groomed, and in styles appropriate to the school setting. Unnatural hair dyes are not permitted. Boys are to keep their hair conservative in length and style. Boys' hair is to be no longer than collar length and boys' hair must be cut shorter around the face and over the eyes so that it does not obscure the face or eyes. Boys are not to wear ponytails. Facial hair of a distracting nature is not allowed. Boys: Facial hair must be well kept, short and at the discretion of the administration. No "mohawks" or carved hair styles. Figures are not to be shaved into the hair cut.

### **Other Items**

Items such as wallet chains, hats, sunglasses, boy's headbands and/or elastic bands, and so forth are not to be worn on campus during the school day. Students are not to write on their bodies or their clothes.

### <u>Blazer Rental</u>

Blazers may be rented through the Campus Store and must be returned by the end of the school day. The rental fee is 10.00 per day (7:30am – 3:00pm). Blazers are required for chapel.

### <u>T-Shirt/Spirit Days</u>

Each Friday is designated as spirit day unless otherwise changed for a special activity. On specified occasions such as field trips or during Homecoming Week, students are allowed to wear school T-shirts in addition to spirit dress on Fridays. Guidelines for "jeans days":

- 1. Only the class T-shirt, spirit shirt or regular uniform top is permitted. Must be a Cambridge Christian shirt.
- 2. Only School uniform slacks, pants or jeans in blue, gray, tan or yellow are permitted. Jean shorts for boys are permitted. Jean capris for girls are permitted.
- 3. Blue jeans may not have prominent writing/advertising on them.
- 4. Blue jeans may not be oversized, too baggy, too tight, torn or distressed.
- 5. Students may wear athletic shoes, but no flip-flops, backless shoes, rubber shoes, water shoes or five-fingered shoes.
- 6. Baseball caps or other hats are not permitted.

### **Special Dress**

These are dress up days for the students. Guidelines are outlined below:

Boys: dress slacks with belt, no jeans or cargo pants; collared shirt; dress shoes, no flip flops Girls: dress, dressy pants or skirt; skirts not shorter than  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " above the back of the knee, modest blouses – not sheer, no jeans, dress shoes, no flip flops or rubber shoes. No low cut blouses or shirts. Nothing too tight or too short.

### **Dances – General Dress Code**

Students are asked to dress properly at all times. For dances, the guidelines are dressy unless otherwise specified.

Boys: Jacket or dress shirt with tie, dress slacks with belt, dress shoes, no flip flops Girls: Modest dresses or skirts, skirts no shorter than 3" above the back of the knee, dress shoes or sandals

### Additional Comments for Special Dress:

Front of dress must be modest, not too low cut, or too tight/loose,

Back of dress is not allowed to be lower than mid-back,

If students (or guests) choose to wear unacceptable attire, they will not be permitted to attend the dance/event.

### **Outerwear (Cold Day Allowance)**

Students may wear any combination of the following on cold days. They may not bring blankets or wear non-uniform heavy clothing. Cold weather options include the following:

- 1. Cambridge Christian sweatshirt worn over uniform shirt
- 2. Cambridge Christian jacket worn over uniform shirt
- 3. Cambridge Christian long sleeved T's may be worn over the uniform shirt or under the uniform shirt not without the uniform shirt

- 4. Girls may wear navy or neutral tights or uniform slacks
- 5. Only seniors may wear college sweatshirts or jackets
- 6. No hats or sweatpants

### **Bathing Suits**

Some Cambridge Christian outings, retreats, and class trips allow students to dress in bathing suits. Bathing suits must be modestly cut and one-piece only. Any bathing suit that is too low cut, too high cut, or has cut outs that make it look like a two piece suit are not permitted.

#### **Uniforms – Physical Education- Weight Training**

Students in Physical Education must wear the approved Cambridge Christian physical education uniforms. These uniforms are sold through the Campus Bookstore. This service may be billed to your Cambridge Christian account.

PE Uniforms are required for Weight Training. PE Uniforms are to be worn as practice uniforms for Middle School Athletic teams. Any variation from this must be approved by the Principal and Athletic Director.

### **Athletic Practice**

Athletes must dress in Cambridge Christian apparel for practice.