

# Uniform Guidelines

## Philosophy

Appearance expresses attitude and personality, and it also influences behavior. Calvary Episcopal Preparatory's uniforms and dress code express a readiness for learning, free of distractions. The way a student dresses affects the way the student behaves.

In order to maintain an atmosphere conducive to learning, CEP expects students to be neat in appearance at all times. Parents are responsible for seeing that students comply with the dress code of Calvary Episcopal Preparatory. Faculty members share responsibility for enforcement.

All uniform pieces must be purchased from Dennis Uniform. Gently used uniform pieces are available at CEP's Used Uniform Sale each summer. Uniform items that are old and faded should be replaced by new ones. Only the current CEP logo is acceptable. Prior logos are not permitted.

### Uniform Purchasing Information

Dennis Uniforms

School Code: VCALEP

Phone: (800) 854-6951

Online: [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com)

Address: 7613 Katy Tollway Suite G Houston, TX 77024

## **Dress Uniform (PK4 - Grade 12)**

The DRESS UNIFORM is REQUIRED. Appropriate any day, but required for Eucharist chapels, special chapels and events, yearbook photos, and some field trips. Dress Uniform days are announced in advance and are listed on our calendar. Typically, one dress uniform is sufficient for the school year.

## **Daily Uniform (PK3 - Grade 12)**

Daily uniforms are appropriate any day not designated as Dress Uniform, typically Monday through Thursday.

## **P.E. Uniforms (optional)**

Students in grades 6-12 have the option of changing into a P.E. uniform for P.E. class. Students who elect not to wear the designated P.E. uniform may wear their daily uniform. P.E. uniforms are available through Dennis Uniform.

## **Free Dress Days**

Free Dress days are non-uniform days. However, students' dress will reflect an atmosphere consistent with the standards of CEP and must be neat, clean, and modest.

## **Spirit Dress**

Spirit Dress days are the first Friday of every month. Students wear their favorite CEP apparel! Students may wear jeans or free dress bottoms with a Calvary shirt.

## **General Guidelines**

- All Dress and Daily uniform clothing must be purchased from Dennis Uniforms.
- Spirit Dress can be purchased through Calvary's Spirit Store or earned through Calvary events (drama club, library, athletics, etc).
- Only jackets, sweatshirts, and sweaters purchased from Dennis Uniform or Calvary's Spirit Store may be worn inside the building. Other jackets may be worn for outside play only.
- Required uniform shirts must be worn underneath all permitted outerwear options.
- Black or brown leather belts must be worn with pants or shorts having belt loops. Belts are optional for students in PK and Kindergarten. Belts are optional on the spirit or free dress days.
- Shirts must be worn tucked in with the exception of spirit or free dress days.
- Jumpers, skirts, skorts, and shorts must be no shorter than two inches above the knee. This includes spirit and free dress days.
- Girls must wear solid navy modesty shorts under uniform jumpers and skirts if not built-in.
- Girls may not wear leggings under their dress or daily uniforms.

## **Socks & Shoes**

- With daily uniforms, shoes are solid black and/or solid white athletic shoes with no colored logo. The logo may be the alternate black or white.
- Athletic shoes are required for PE, even on dress uniform days.
- Shoes may not be high-top, mid-top, light up, make noise, or have wheels.
- Dress shoes for female students are black flats, saddle oxfords, or plain tan (no sparkle or glitter) boat-style shoes. Girls in grades 6-12 may not wear shoes with heels higher than ½ inch.
- Dress shoes for male students are black or brown dress shoes or plain tan boat-style shoes.
- For boys, socks are to be solid white or black of any height.
- For girls, socks are to be solid white of any height or solid black no higher than the ankle. Socks with a white or Calvary plaid ruffle are permitted.
- Girls may wear white tights.
- High School students, may wear any style and color of athletic shoes.

## **Grooming**

- All students should be well groomed.
- Extreme or distracting hairstyles or hair colors as determined by the school administration are not permitted.
- Hairstyles for boys must be clean-cut and above the ear. Hair must not touch the eyebrows, and hair in the back must not touch the collar of the shirt.
- Facial hair is not allowed - no beards, goatees, or mustaches.
- Girls' hair accessories must be consistent with the uniform. For example, hair bands and bows should be red, white, navy blue, or Calvary plaid. Animal ears, antlers, etc. are not appropriate for school including on free dress days.

## **Free Dress Guidance**

- *Free dress days are a privilege. Failure to follow guidelines and dress appropriately may result in the suspension or revocation of free dress privileges.*
- Immodest or tight clothing is not acceptable.
- Girls may wear leggings ONLY if worn with a top that covers their bottom.
- Thin-strapped sleeveless tops are not permitted. Sleeveless tops must have wide straps that completely cover any undergarments.
- Undergarments must not be visible under any shirt or top.
- Jeans must be clean and neat in appearance; not frayed, torn, ripped, sagging, or "destroyed."

- Clothing must not include crude or obscene graphics or content or alcohol or tobacco advertisements.

**Please label all items, especially outerwear, that come to school with your child's name.**

#### **NOTE**

The Head of School is the final authority in matters concerning the appropriateness of a student's dress and any necessary corrective action. Student compliance with the spirit and purpose of the guidelines is important to the school. Failure to comply may affect a student's conduct or behavior grades.