



# Legacy Christian Academy

## Dress Code

Please note that specific school uniform items can be viewed from our school website, [www.legacychristian-academy.com](http://www.legacychristian-academy.com). On the website, click on the “Info” tab and then click on “School Uniforms” to see approved items. Spirit Wear items will be available from Lands’ End and are also available from the Spirit Store. The “Spirit Store” tab is also on the website under the “Info” tab.

Uniforms can be purchased from Lands’ End or the Spirit Store but may also be the equivalent thereof. Please bring in outside purchased polo styled shirts from other retailers to have the school logo placed for a fee. Specific specialty items must come from Lands’ End or Flynn & O’Hara.

### Rationale -

1 Peter 3:3-4 - “Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God a great price.”

### Guidelines

1. The school dress code is meant to reduce negative competition between students about clothes and place the proper emphasis on character and personality traits. It is designed to produce uniformity in the appearance of our student body.
2. Students in K-12 are expected to follow the dress code of LCA as outlined, every day.
3. Students who repeatedly challenge the dress code will face disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension.
4. Students will honor the Biblical and biological gender identities - male and female as assigned by God at birth in all areas and as it pertains to dress.

### Dress Code for K-12

#### Standard Uniform (Monday – Thursday):

1. **Skirts**
  - a. Females may wear khaki, black, gray, or navy skirts or jumpers.
  - b. Skirts, Skorts, and jumpers must be to the **top of the knee**. It is recommended that skirts are purchased with growth in mind.
  - c. Hem length of skirts, skorts, dresses, jumpers, and jumpers must touch the top of the knee when standing even when leggings or tights are worn.
2. **Shorts**
  - a. Students may wear khaki, black, gray, or navy uniform shorts.
  - b. Bermuda and walking short length. It is recommended that shorts are purchased with growth in mind.
  - c. Shorts that are not the uniform style cannot be worn on a regular school day.

- d. For clarity as to what is meant by “Uniform Style” please look at the Lands’ End Samples at [www.legacychristian-academy.com](http://www.legacychristian-academy.com) under “Info”.
3. **Pants**
    - a. Students may wear khaki, black, gray, or navy pants.
    - b. Pants should not be excessively baggy or excessively tight and be hole free.
    - c. Blue Jeans are not permitted on a regular (Monday-Thursday) school day.
    - d. Yoga pants/Leggings are not permitted as a separate item.
    - e. Dress pants that have an elastic waist or elastic at the bottom of the legs are acceptable.
  4. **Shirts**
    - a. Any color LCA purchased, collar-less, embroidered crew neck shirts or any polo, oxford, and/or blouse must have the Legacy logo and be worn EVERY day (Mon-Thurs).
    - b. Shirts may be worn in any color (except neon) but must have the Legacy Logo.
    - c. Polos or blouses that sit at the middle of the hip neatly do not have to be tucked. Oxfords are to be tucked.
    - d. Female students in upper elementary and in secondary should wear appropriate undergarments beneath their shirts to provide modesty.
    - e. Shirts may have either long or short sleeves.
    - f. Female’s blouses are to be unrevealing.
    - g. Long-sleeved t-shirts can be worn ONLY under another school uniform shirt. They do not need to be the same sleeve length or color as the uniform shirt.
    - h. The Legacy logo is not to be covered during school hours unless the student is wearing school-approved outerwear.
  5. **Sweaters, Hoodies, and Sweatshirts**
    - a. Sweaters may be worn over uniform shirts. They can be button-down, pullover, V-neck, or cardigan. Females may wear long dress sweaters.
    - b. Uniform shirts must be worn under any sweatshirt, sweater, or hoodie.
    - c. Students may wear Legacy spirit wear hoodies/sweatshirts or NACA hoodies/sweatshirts as part of the regular uniform. (Mon.-Thurs.)
    - d. Hoods cannot be worn inside the school building. Students who wear their hoods inside the building will lose the privilege to wear a hoodie.
  6. **Shoes** \*dress shoes may be needed for special events.
    - a. Closed-toed shoes recommended.
    - b. Sneakers are permitted. No lights or wheels allowed.
    - c. Crocks, Birkenstocks, flip-flops, and/or shoes without backs on them cannot be worn during any school day, **including casual days**.
    - d. Sandals may be worn but must have a back on them.
    - e. Shoes may have a heel that is not higher than 2”.
    - f. Laced shoes must be kept tied, including boots.
    - g. Spikes, cleats, or muddy shoes from athletics cannot be worn in the buildings.
    - h. Socks are strongly encouraged.
  7. **Accessories**
    - a. **Hats, sunglasses, etc.**
      1. Hats, sunglasses, or head coverings, including those related to religious or cultural beliefs may not be worn in the school building unless approved by the administration.
      2. Hair accessories such as headbands and scrunchies are permitted.
    - b. **Jewelry**
      1. Males – allowed one necklace no longer than the collar.

2. Earrings – are not to be distracting. Males are limited to one stud in each ear.
3. Nose Ring (females only) - A single nose ring with a stud of 3 mm or less is permitted.
4. Body /facial piercings, drawing/writing on oneself, and ear gauging is not allowed.
5. Students may wear bracelets, but they should not be excessive in number. Rings are limited to 1 per hand.
6. No gothic or extreme jewelry fashions.
7. Smart Watches cannot be worn during standardized testing.

**c. Hair**

1. Females’ hairstyles are to be feminine in appearance.
2. Student hair color must be a natural color (brown, blonde, black, or natural red). No pink, blue, green, unnatural red, etc., can be worn in any form.
3. Males’ hairstyles (including facial hair) regularly groomed and styled. Length should not surpass the bottom of the collar. Hair should not be a distraction in any way or prevent eye-contact.

**d. Hygiene**

1. Good hygiene habits are practiced daily (bathing, teeth brushing, ect)
2. Clothes are to be wrinkle free, neat, and cleaned regularly.

**General Dress Code**

1. **P.E. Uniform** Students in middle school and high school that choose to change for PE must wear shorts that are no shorter than 3 inches from the top of the knee OR blue, gray or black sweatpants along with a modest fitting T-shirt. Shirts are to be plain solid school colors or LCA spirit wear.
2. **Casual Day**- Please note that every Friday is a casual day unless directed differently. \*Please remember modesty pertains to EVERYONE! A good rule of thumb is to think first and when in doubt, don’t!

**Casual Day Guidelines**

- a. Students will be allowed to wear jeans, sweatpants, joggers, and athletic pants on Casual Days.
- b. Blue jeans should be clean and neat and without holes!
- c. **NO CROCS or SANDALS at any time.**
- d. Uniform shorts or shorts no more than 3 inches above the knee may be worn.
- e. Students are not permitted to wear halter style tops, tank tops, or sheer or see-through shirts. No immoral branding or promotion of immoral activity is permitted on clothing.
- f. Sleeveless tops are permitted provided the top is three fingers wide on the top of each shoulder.
- g. Non-uniform shirts/sweatshirts are permitted.
- h. Leggings, and yoga pants are **not** permitted.
- i. Legacy spirit wear is always encouraged.

*\*Please note*

1. *The first time a student is out of Casual Day dress code, the parent will be called to bring in a change of clothes. They will not be allowed to return to class until the parent brings in a change of clothes.*

2. The second time a student is out of Casual Day dress code, the parent will be called to **bring in a school uniform, and the student will lose the privilege of participating in Casual Day dress down for the remainder of the semester.** Any student out of dress code for the second time on Casual Day will not be allowed to return to class until the parent brings in a school uniform.

### Dress Code for Extracurricular Activities

1. **Athletic Events**

Please dress appropriately as a participant or spectator. Remember you are always a representative of LCA.

2. **School Programs**

Special attire may be requested and expected for those who are performing. The instructor will notify participants and parents.

3. **Field Trips** – If not the school uniform, information will be provided by the teacher(s).

4. **Field Days** – Casual Day attire

5. **Dress Up Days** - Picture Day

\*School uniform OR dress clothes “Sunday’s best church clothes.” Be sure to follow the guidelines in the dress code on days like this. A rule of thumb to apply in these scenarios is when in doubt, don’t!! Follow the modesty expectations. Look SHARP!

6. **Prom/Formal Banquets** (including Sports Banquet and Homecoming)

#### Ladies

1. All dresses must be presented to a Dress Check Committee.

The schedule will be as follows:

- a. Approximately six weeks prior to event – Dress check dates announced.
- b. Approximately one month prior to event – 1<sup>st</sup> dress check
- c. Approximately two weeks prior to event – Final, follow up dress check. for dresses needing alterations after the first check.

2. Ladies will be asked to submit photographs ahead of time, as some issues with dresses may be taken care of prior to the dress check date, saving time. for all involved.

3. Ladies should come to the dress check prepared to try the dress on with shoes and appropriate undergarments. If uncertain about a particular dress, more than one dress may be brought to the dress check.

- i. Any dress requiring alterations must be checked again and approved by the dress check committee prior to the event.

#### Gentlemen

1. All gentlemen are to conform to LCA dress code guidelines concerning their attire, hair, and facial hair.
2. Clothing should meet or exceed the uniform standard.
3. Gentlemen should DRESS FORMALLY, per the event.

**Ending notes:** Keep in mind that our goal is for our students to love Jesus with all their hearts which will transform every area of their lives, thereby reflecting spirit-filled attitudes and actions. We desire that each student will love attending LCA and do so with integrity, honor, and pride.

*The Dress Code is in effect for all school activities and functions on school days from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with the addition of After-care to close at 6pm. The administration reserves the right to decide if the student’s dress and appearance are proper and to prohibit objectionable styles and jewelry. If a student does not follow the dress code, his or her parents or guardians will be called, the student must change, and all classes missed will be counted as unexcused absences. The student will also receive a*

*warning for dress code violation. Continual violations will be managed appropriately and with resolution in mind.*