

DRESS CODE

GENERAL

A student is best able to perform at his or her highest level academically when dressed appropriately. Because clothing and attitude are related, sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's work in our lives is also impacted by our dress. The spirit of the school's dress code is based on the belief that Christ-honoring dress is:

Modest – does nothing to draw attention to self

Gender-appropriate – makes a clear distinction between male and female

Consistent – follows a firm standard, rather than following the current trends

Because dress styles change so frequently, the Administration reserves the right to apply Biblical principles of Christian dress standards to specific situations; therefore, the Administration may deem any article of clothing inappropriate.

The dress code applies to ALL school functions, whether the function is on or off the campus of Bensalem Baptist Church. For those riding the bus, the dress code must be followed while on the bus. Non-school sweater and sweatshirts are permitted at certain times, however if they have logos, they are to be appropriate and non-offensive, subject to the Administration's approval.

ELEMENTARY GIRLS

1. Girls must wear a uniform skirt or jumper every day. The skirt must come below the knee when seated or standing. Uniform skirts or jumpers must be Black, Khaki, Gray, Navy or Plaid. All uniform skirts should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com.
2. Uniform collared shirts and sweaters can be any solid color. All collared shirts and sweaters should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com.
3. Tops must not come more than three (closed) fingers below the clavicle. The top should not be revealing when leaning forward.
4. One must not be able to see the outline of an undergarment or the undergarment itself through the clothing. Girls must wear a slip or camisole as necessary.

5. Tops worn with a skirt must be tucked in.
6. All buttons on tops, except the collar button, must be buttoned.
7. Girls in grades K-5 – 4th may not wear nylons, make-up, gaudy jewelry, or fake fingernails.
8. Girls in 5th-6th grade may wear nylons; however, they may not wear make-up, gaudy jewelry, or fake fingernails.
9. Shoes are to be completely closed, which includes toes, heels, and sides. They may wear a nice sneaker.
10. Hair styles for girls must be long enough as not to be confused with a boy's haircut, not having a worldly look, and not shaven. No unnatural hair colors are permitted.
11. Clothing should be loose fitting, not form fitting. Clothing may not be tight.

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH GIRLS

1. Girls in 7th - 12th grades may choose uniforms from either the French Toast or Lands' End uniform companies.
2. Girls must wear a uniform skirt every day. The skirt must come below the knee when seated or standing. All skirts should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website or the Lands' End website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com.
3. All tops must have the BBS logo*; thus, all items should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website or the Lands' End website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com. (*7th and 8th grade girls may wear the French Toast tops without the BBS logo that they purchased for 6th grade in Bensalem Baptist School.)
4. Tops must not come more than three (closed) fingers below the clavicle. The top should not be revealing when leaning forward.

5. One must not be able to see the outline of an undergarment or the undergarment itself through the clothing. Girls must wear a slip or camisole as necessary.
6. Tops worn with a skirt must be tucked in.
7. All buttons on tops, except the collar button, must be buttoned.
8. Clothing should be loose fitting, not form fitting or tight. One inch of material should be able to be pinched from the garment on each side without pulling or stretching the material.
9. Appropriate colored make-up may be worn.
10. Appropriate colored nail polish may be worn.
11. Hair style for girls must be long enough as not to be confused with a boy's haircut, not have a worldly look, and not be shaven. No unnatural hair colors are permitted.
12. Girls may wear an appropriate dress shoe, sandal, casual shoe, nice sneaker, or boot (the shoe does not have to be completely closed in; however, it must have a back strap). Flip-flops are not permitted. Heels should not be higher than two inches.
13. Dresses worn to the high school banquet must be checked by the date specified each year. Dresses that are sleeveless or spaghetti strapped must be worn with a shawl or jacket that is sewn to the dress (not pinned) and cannot be removed throughout the night. All other dress code standards (nylons, etc.) apply for the evening.
14. For P.E. class, girls may wear loose fitting sports shorts which come below the knee or a loose-fitting pair of pants and a loose-fitting sweatshirt or t-shirt.
15. Girls may wear no more than two earrings in each ear. The earring(s) should be worn in the lower part of the lobe and not up the ear.

ELEMENTARY BOYS

1. All uniform pants should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com. Uniform pants must be Black, Khaki, Navy or Gray.
2. Belts must be worn.
3. Uniform collared shirts and sweaters can be any solid color. All collared shirts and sweaters should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com.
4. Shirts must be tucked in.
5. All buttons on shirts except the collar button, must be buttoned.
6. Boys may wear casual shoes or nice sneakers. Sandals are not permitted.
7. Boy's hair must be off the ear and collar in a tapered fashion. Tapered means that the hair is consistently layered from top to bottom.
8. Unnatural hair color is not permitted.

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH BOYS

1. Boys in 7th - 12th grades may choose uniforms from either the French Toast or Lands' End uniform companies.
2. Boys must wear uniform pants every day. All pants should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website or the Lands' End website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com.
3. Belts must be worn.
4. All tops must have the BBS logo*; thus, all items should be purchased by accessing the French Toast website or the Lands' End website through the Information tab on bbseagles.com. (*7th and 8th grade boys may wear the French Toast tops without the BBS logo that they purchased for 6th grade in Bensalem Baptist School.)
5. Shirts must be tucked in.

6. All buttons on shirts, except the collar button, must be buttoned.
7. Boys must wear socks with dress or casual shoes or nice sneakers.
8. Boys are not permitted to wear any jewelry except a watch and a ring.
9. Unnatural hair color is not permitted.
10. Boy's hair must be off the ear and collar in a tapered (consistently layered from top to bottom) fashion. Sideburns on boys will come no lower than the lower opening of the ear. Beards and mustaches are not allowed except for Seniors. (See Senior Privileges Section in the Handbook).
11. Clothing should be loose fitting, not form fitting.
12. For P.E., boys should wear long shorts or sweatpants and a T-shirt.