

# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Dress Code Overview 2025 - 2026 School Year

All students enrolled in 9<sup>th</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade at Cornerstone Christian School must adhere to our Student Dress Code Policy, as detailed below.

#### **Uniform Polo Shirts**

Students must wear a Cornerstone Uniform Polo Shirt while at school, unless otherwise notified by the school administrator in memo form. Polo Shirts must be tucked in and buttoned at all times. Uniform Polo Shirts are available for purchase from the school office.

#### **Available Polo Shirt Colors**

**Available Polo Shirt Sizes** 

Black, Gray, Green, Red, Royal Blue

Youth Small thru Adult XXXX-Large

#### **Uniform Polo Shirt Information**

- No undergarments should be visible. No midriff or tight-fitting clothes are acceptable.
- Students must be able to raise their hands over their heads and/or bend down without their shirts untucked.
- Polo Shirts may not be worn over the top of a T-Shirt. (*Exception:* A short-sleeve undershirt is acceptable.)

#### **Uniform Bottoms**

Students are permitted to wear solid, navy blue, black, or khaki, <u>uniform style</u> pants or shorts with no labels. Uniform pants and shorts can be purchased from retailers such as; Old Navy, Target, and Wal-Mart. Female students are also permitted to wear uniform style capris, skirts, and jumpers that are navy blue, black, or khaki. Students will not be permitted to wear bottoms to school that do not meet Cornerstone's "Uniform Style" Guidelines.

#### **Permitted Bottom Colors**

Khaki Navy Blue Black

#### **Uniform Bottom Information**

- Jean, athletic shorts or pants, cargo shorts or pants, and/or spandex (stretchy) bottoms are not allowed.
- Pants/Shorts/Capris/Skirts/Jumpers must be "Uniform Style" and cannot have more than one pocket on each side and two pockets in the back. **No Cargo Pants/Shorts!**
- Skirts and shorts must be two fingertips widths below the knee in length.
- Clothing must be properly fitted (an appropriate size) and hemmed (if necessary) to an appropriate length.

#### **Chapel Dress Code** (Monday)

9<sup>th</sup> Grade – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students: All students in K5 thru 11<sup>th</sup> Grade are required to wear a Red Cornerstone Polo Shirt, Black Dress Pants, a Black Belt, and Solid Black Tennis Shoes or Black Dress Shoes. This is the official school uniform that students are to wear each Monday.

12<sup>th</sup> Grade "Senior" Students: Senior Students, both boys and girls, are to wear a Gray Cornerstone Senior Polo Shirt, Solid Black Dress Pants, a Black Belt, and Solid Black Shoes. This is the official school uniform for Seniors and must be worn every Monday throughout the entire school year. Cornerstone Senior Polo Shirts may be purchased from the school

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office. In addition, this will be the uniform that students will be required to wear for special-events. (TBA at later dates; Example; college tours, job fairs, assemblies, yearbook pictures, and for guest speakers).

### **Cornerstone School Spirit T-Shirt (Friday)**

All students can show their school spirit, by purchasing a #COUGARNATION T-Shirt, from the school office. Students may wear their #COUGARNATION T-Shirt with Blue Jeans every Friday, throughout the school year. Students that choose not to wear a #COUGARNATION T-Shirt on Fridays, must wear their normal school uniform attire.

#### **Available School Spirit T-Shirt Sizes**

Youth Small thru Adult XXX-Large

#### **Uniform Outerwear / Sweatshirts**

Cornerstone Sweatshirts are available for purchase from the school office. While inside the school building, the only outerwear that students may wear over their uniform, is a Cornerstone Sweatshirt. At no other time will students be allowed to wear a non-Cornerstone sweater, sweatshirt, coat, jacket or other outerwear inside the school building. If the weather permits, your child will be allowed to wear his/her non-Cornerstone jacket to outside activities and recess.

#### **Available School Sweatshirt Sizes**

Youth X-Small thru Adult XXX-Large

#### **Uniform Violations**

**Violation #1:** Verbal Warning, Written Documentation.

Violation #2: School sends home a uniform violation note/email; Demerit(s) Issued.

**Violation #3:** Student will call parent from the school office to obtain the correct school uniform. Student will wait in the office for parent to bring correct uniform.

#### **Additional Uniform Information**

**Appropriateness:** The administration reserves the right to make discretionary judgment regarding the appropriateness of student hair, dress, and fashion not explicitly covered in this dress code. The final interpretation remains the responsibility of the administration. If attire is deemed in poor taste or inappropriate, the School Administrator will call the student's parents to bring appropriate clothing for him/her. The student will wait in the office until the parent arrives with the clothing. This will result in an equivalent of a demerit and/or detention as well as missed classwork while the student waits in the office for the parent. Please see the Parent-Student Handbook for Cornerstone's entire Uniform Policy.

**Belt:** If the student's uniform bottoms have belt loops present, a solid brown or solid black belt (with a standard belt buckle) is required to be worn. Canvas belts that are part of the shorts or pants are acceptable.

**Dress Down Days:** Occasionally throughout the school year, Cornerstone's Administration Team may schedule Student Dress Down Days, allowing students to wear blue jeans to school. On these permitted Dress Down Days, students may wear blue jeans that are loose fitting and that **do not have** any holes or rips. All scheduled Dress Down Days will be published on the school's monthly calendar and emailed to parents.

**Extreme Dressing Styles:** No "extreme styles" will be permitted. This includes non-natural looking hair colors or styles, visible tattoos, neon nail polish, spiked belts or bracelets, high boots, fishnet hose, etc. Any clothing or style that could be considered "extreme" will be under the discretion and interpretation of the school's Principal.

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**Field Trips:** On designated Field Trips, students are required to wear their CougarNation Spirit Shirt or their Red Cornerstone Polo Shirt, Blue Jeans, and Tennis Shoes. The required dress code for each field trip will be included on the permission slip.

**Glasses:** Sunglasses will not be permitted to be worn by students in the classroom or out of the classroom. The only exception will be in case of an outdoor sporting event in which it is necessary to shield one's eyes in order to participate. Glass frames that are non-necessary and non-functional (i.e. "only for looks") will not be allowed.

**Hair - Boys:** Hair is to be kept neat at all times. If the school observes that your child's hair is unkempt, you will receive a notice from Administration. Boys are not permitted to have shaved designs in their hair. Colors must be natural-looking. No purple, pink, blue, green, etc. Haircuts should be conservative, neatly trimmed and well groomed. Hair must not be bushy or shaggy or long enough to curl up in the back to avoid the collar, be worn in mini-ponytails or tied to spike up/out in any direction, as this is a distraction in the classroom. (*Exception:* Dreadlocks must be tied back and neatly groomed. They may not be down, raised straight-up, or hanging in the eyes or on the collar.)

**Hair - Girls:** Hair is to be kept neat at all times. If the school observes that your child's hair is unkempt, you will receive a notice from Administration. Colors must be natural-looking. No purple, pink, blue, green, etc. Headbands and hair-clips are permitted on girls, but must be modest and not ostentatious. Headbands must be solid colors and used to hold the hair out of the face only. (NOTE: Shower caps, bonnets, printed headbands, scarves, bandanas or other types of head-coverings are not permitted. Headbands worn like sweatbands - down across the forehead and/or over the ears - and scarves worn as headcovers, or simply as a fashion statement are not permitted.)

**Hats / Hoods:** No hats, hoods, scarves, bandanas or head coverings of any kind will be permitted on our campus. Only in inclement weather, or during the winter months, children will be allowed to wear the hood on their jacket or sweatshirt while they are outside. Hoods may not be worn inside the building at any time. (NOTE: The ONLY exception to the "no hat" rule will be if there is a school-wide "Hat Day".)

**Jewelry - Girls:** Girls are allowed to wear sensible earrings, rings, and/or a necklace. Earrings should not be larger than the size of a quarter. Big, bright jewelry will not be permitted. Girls will also not be permitted to have on more than one bracelet or band, as these often cause distractions during class. No additional body piercings (nose, eyebrows, lip, etc.) are permitted for boys or girls. (NOTE: Chains may not have emblems that convey "status" (such as Mercedes Benz logo), or any emblem that is contradictory to the Christian message. This would include words on chains such as, "Dope", "Bling", etc. Also, emblems may be no larger than a quarter in size. Rosaries worn outside of the shirt will not be allowed.)

**Jewelry - Boys:** Boys are allowed to wear a watch and/or a necklace. No other jewelry will be permitted for boys (earrings, etc.); boys wearing earrings on campus will be subject to disciplinary action. No additional body piercings (nose, eyebrows, lip, etc.) are permitted for boys or girls. (NOTE: Chains may not have emblems that convey "status" (such as Mercedes Benz logo), or any emblem that is contradictory to the Christian message. This would include words on chains such as, "Dope", "Bling", etc. Also, emblems may be no larger than a quarter in size. Rosaries worn outside of the shirt will not be allowed.)

**Shoes / Socks:** Students are permitted to wear both tennis shoes and dress/casual shoes to school. Flip-flops, backless sandals, crocs, and open toe shoes are not allowed. If your student is unable to tie shoelaces, please dress them in slip-on or Velcro shoes, since laces must be tied at all times. Socks must be white or black and matching. White, navy or black tights may be worn by female students. Black shoes are required for Monday's Chapel Uniform.

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### Monday

9th Grade thru 11th Grade Students

Cornerstone Red Uniform Polo Shirt (Color: Red) **Shirt: Bottoms: Uniform Style Pants** (Color: Black) **Belt:** (Color: Black) **Shoes:** Tennis Shoes or Dress Shoes (Color: Black)

12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Only

Shirt: Cornerstone Senior Polo Shirt (Color: Gray) (Color: Black) **Bottoms: Uniform Style Pants Belt:** (Color: Black) **Shoes:** Tennis Shoes *or* Dress Shoes (Color: Black)

Tuesday

**Shirt:** Cornerstone Uniform Polo Shirt (Colors: Black, Gray, Green, Red, Royal Blue)

**Bottoms:** Uniform Style Pants or Shorts (Colors: Black, Khaki, or Navy Blue)

(Colors: Black or Brown) **Belt:** Shoes: Tennis Shoes or Dress Shoes

Wednesday

Shirt: Cornerstone Uniform Polo Shirt (Colors: Black, Gray, Green, Red, Royal Blue)

**Bottoms:** Uniform Style Pants or Shorts (Colors: Black, Khaki, or Navy Blue)

**Belt:** Belt (Colors: Black or Brown)

**Shoes:** Tennis Shoes *or* Dress Shoes

**Thursday** 

**Shirt:** Cornerstone Uniform Polo Shirt (Colors: Black, Gray, Green, Red, Royal Blue)

(Colors: Black, Khaki, or Navy Blue) **Bottoms:** Uniform Style Pants or Shorts

**Belt:** Belt

(Colors: Black or Brown) **Shoes:** Tennis Shoes or Dress Shoes

**Friday** 

**Option** #1

Shirt: Cornerstone Uniform Polo Shirt (Colors: Black, Gray, Green, Red, Royal Blue)

(Colors: Black, Khaki, or Navy Blue) **Bottoms:** Uniform Style Pants or Shorts

(Colors: Black or Brown) **Belt:** 

Tennis Shoes or Dress Shoes Shoes:

Option #2

Shirt: School Spirit T-Shirt (#CougarNation)

**Bottoms:** Blue Denim Jeans Tennis Shoes **Shoes:** 

Not Permitted: No Cargo Pants, No Cargo Shorts and No Croc Shoes

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