

## Why Wear Uniforms?

- Uniforms place students on equal footing and remove distractions, helping them focus on learning.
- Uniforms prevent students from feeling left out for not having a particular brand/style of clothing because they can't afford it.
- Uniforms help avoid dress code "issues," such as clothes that are too tight or short or inappropriate.
- Uniforms create an atmosphere of spirit & pride in our school.
- Many jobs require dress codes; CAM is providing a good start!

## Notes

- We encourage girls to wear some type of shorts under skirts, jumpers, and dresses for modesty.
- Backpacks and lunchboxes should have no cartoon characters on them, though simple shapes like dinosaurs or butterflies are fine.

# Uniforms!

# 2019-20 CAM Dress Code

## Casual Uniform

- Choose these items to wear Monday—Thursday.
- Students may choose any items that are navy or khaki (pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, jumpers, etc.) and wear them with polo shirts (red, white, navy, light blue, or black). Girls may also choose navy blue dresses.
- Students may now wear ANY socks or tennis shoes Monday through Thursday--no matter the color! Please be aware that some footwear policies do remain: no boots, no flip flops, no open-toed shoes/sandals, AND navy, black, or brown dress shoes on Friday with navy, black, or white socks/tights will stay the same.
- Sweaters, sweater vests, CAM fleece jackets, CAM crew sweatshirts, and/or CAM hoodies are optional.
- Students may wear any portion of their chapel uniform on casual uniform days if they choose to. This includes light blue and white oxford/peter pan shirts for both boys and girls on casual uniform days.

## Dress Uniform

Dress Uniform is for every Friday except the last Friday of the month, which is Jeans Day (for the cost of \$1).

### Boys:

- Navy pants, white oxford shirt, navy tie, navy/black socks, dress shoes
- Navy/red sweater, sweater vest, or CAM fleece jacket is optional

### Girls:

- **K3:** Optional to participate; French Toast begins chapel skirt sizes at size 4
- **K4-6<sup>th</sup>:** Green plaid skirt, white peter pan blouse, solid white or navy socks, tights, or leggings, dress shoes; navy/red sweater, sweater vest, or CAM fleece jacket is optional
- **7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>:** Above choices OR other options include navy skirt, white oxford shirt, nylons

**Please purchase uniforms through  
J.C. Penney, French Toast,  
Shaheen's, or the CAM office.**

## Jeans Day

- T-shirts and/or sweatshirts must have the Christian Academy of Madison logo or have a Christian theme.
- Jeans must be in good repair (no holes, patches, frayed ends) and have a traditional style, appropriately fitted at the waist, seat, legs and length).
- Jeans must have a solid, consistent color (not streaked or faded). No colored jeans.

# Additional Notes from the Family Handbook

- Students are expected to dress according to the dress code from the time they arrive at school. Students are expected to use good judgment in dressing for extracurricular activities, in a manner that reflects modesty, neatness, and cleanliness. Although the rule of the uniform dress code may not be enforced for extracurricular activities, students' appearance should reflect its spirit.
- Students may now wear ANY socks or tennis shoes Monday through Thursday--no matter the color! Please be aware that some footwear policies do remain: no boots, no flip flops, no open-toed shoes/sandals, AND navy, black, or brown dress shoes on Friday with navy, black, or white socks/tights will stay the same.
- All garments must be neat, clean, and pressed when wrinkled.
- All garments are to have a traditional fit. Traditional fit is appropriately fitted in the shoulders, waist, leg, seat, bodice and length. No tight-fitting, clinging, low-cut, or high slit garments will be allowed. Oversized styles are also not permitted.
- Dresses, skirts, skorts, jumpers, and shorts should be no shorter than 2" inches above the top of the knee. We ask that girls wear some type of shorts under skirts, dresses, and jumpers for modesty.
- Garments that are made of very thin fabric, semi-transparent, or "see-through" are not permitted. Girls in grades 7-12 should wear a plain white tank top or camisole when appropriate with dress uniform blouses. Dri-fit polo shirts are acceptable if they are from the correct brands (e.g. no Under Armour).
- No undershirts with lettering or designs that show through the uniform shirts are acceptable. Undershirts, which may be plain white, navy, gray, or black in color, should be tucked in. Also, no long-sleeved shirts may be worn under short-sleeved shirts.
- Fleece jackets or sweatshirts with the CAM logo or other CAM designation and sweaters purchased from J.C. Penney, French Toast, Shaheen's or the CAM office are the only sweatshirts and sweaters allowed during class time. Jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts that are not part of the uniform should not be worn during the school day. On the morning of chapel day, students may wear sweaters or approved CAM fleece or letterman jackets, but not CAM sweatshirts; they may wear CAM sweatshirts after lunch.
- While students do not have to tuck in their shirts or wear belts on casual uniform days, we do ask that gentlemen tuck in their dress shirts and wear a belt on chapel days. Belts must be plain brown, black or navy and without any ornamentation.
- Solid navy ties or a navy tie with a subdued design are required for chapel day. Ties are to be worn until noon on chapel day.
- During physical education classes, secondary students may wear athletic clothes. However, T-shirts should have a message appropriate for the Christian school setting; shorts should be no shorter than 2" above the knee; and athletic pants/shorts should not be tight-fitting, and students should have the back covered by a t-shirt.
- Traditional jewelry may be worn in moderation and in good taste. No metal studded jewelry, tongue rings, nose rings, eyebrow jewelry, gauges, accessories, or chains are allowed.
- No fake or real tattoos or marking on the body or apparel will be permitted. Boys may not wear earrings, tongue rings, spacers, or any device resembling earrings at school or at school functions.
- Logos, slogans, or any designs that are contrary to Biblical principles are not permitted on any item. Any manner of grooming or dressing that imitates a subculture opposed to Christian principles is not permitted.
- Hairstyles are to be neat, clean, moderate, combed and in good taste. Non-traditional or extreme hairstyles or unnatural changes in hair color are not permitted. Boys' hair length should not touch the top of the regular shirt collar or come over any portion of the ear. Students must obtain a haircut if a teacher or the administrator notifies them of need.
- Boys are to be clean-shaven with no beards or mustaches, and sideburns may not be lower than the bottom of the ear.
- No make-up or glitter may be worn by students in K4-5<sup>th</sup> (other than lip gloss). Girls in grades 6-12 may wear light, natural-looking make-up with parent permission. Please do not wear heavy, thick make-up.
- Students may wear oxford (lace-up), loafer (slip-on), or athletic shoes. Velcro is acceptable, but zippers, lights, roller skates, and cartoon characters are not. Boots, hiking boots, or shoes of hiking boot appearance are not acceptable. Sandals, defined as open-toe and open-heel shoes, are not permitted. On chapel days, girls may wear open heel shoes with a heel strap. Dress shoes for chapel must be a solid color (brown, black, or navy) for both boys and girls. Shoelaces should be black or white.
- All Fridays, except the last Friday of each month, have been designated as dress uniform day due to chapel services on that day. Therefore, on Fridays, all students are required to wear their dress uniforms, with the exception of an optional Jeans Day on the last Friday of each month. Students will be notified if dress uniform or casual uniform is to be worn on special Jeans Days or for other special events.