

**RVCS DRESS CODE 2024-2025**

**Rationale:** The RVCS School Board desires to make disciples of Christ as RVCS obeys the command of God to train students in truth. Students are requested to dress in a manner that promotes biblical modesty and reflects neatness and appropriateness. Students are to demonstrate a heart condition of humility and obedience as they abide by these guidelines which are interpreted and applied by the RVCS faculty.

**LOWER SCHOOL  
DRESS CODE FOR K2-GRADE 6**

The School Board has approved a dress code that is intended to promote modesty, neatness, and appropriateness for a school environment, including all school events. It is important to remember that conformity to any dress code does not make a person a Christian or more spiritual than another. The simplified and flexible code seeks to complement the educational process. Clothing should be clean, in good repair, with no holes, cuts or tears. Clothing should not be excessively large or overly tight.

Any clothing or accessory may not contain references to alcohol; drugs; tobacco; vulgarity; derogatory remarks; violence; suggestive diagrams, pictures, words or slogans that may be interpreted as offensive; gang-related or other trademark that advocates illegal behavior.

**Shirts/Tops**  
\*Students may wear t-shirts, tops, and shirts with short or long sleeves.

**Pants/Shorts/Skirts**  
\*Students may wear pants, jeans, capris, and knee-length shorts/skorts.  
\*Shorts are to be no shorter than four fingertip widths above the knee.  
\*Girls may wear knee-length skirts and dresses.  
\*Leggings and form fitting pants may be worn with fingertip length tops.

**Accessories**  
\*Students must wear athletic shoes and socks on the days of physical education. Because of daily recess, children are encouraged to wear shoes that allow for running and playing on the playground.  
\*All head coverings and sunglasses should be removed while indoors.  
\*Visible tattoos or body piercings (other than girls’ earrings) are prohibited.

**UPPER SCHOOL  
DRESS CODE FOR GRADES 7-12**

The School Board has approved a dress code that is intended to promote modesty, neatness, and appropriateness for a school environment, including all school events. It is important to remember that conformity to any dress code does not make a person a Christian or more spiritual than another. The code seeks to complement the educational process and support the goal of preparing students for real-world standards. Clothing should be clean, in good repair, with no holes, cuts or tears. Clothing should not be excessively large or overly tight.

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### Shirts/Tops

\*Students may wear tops with no writing or pictures, however, RVCS spirit wear is acceptable. Tops must cover the shoulder completely and have a high-cut neckline.

\*Small branded logos are acceptable.

\*The hem of any shirt should completely cover the waistband of pants or skirts at all times.

\*No midriff or undergarments should show at any time.

### Pants/Bottoms

**Girls** may wear pants, jeans, or capris made of denim or khaki material. Knee-length skirts and dresses are acceptable.

**Boys** may wear pants and jeans made of denim or khaki material that fit to the waist.

### Accessories

**Boys and girls** should wear safe shoes.

**Students** should aim to have hair (including facial hair for young men) that is neat, clean and well-maintained.

\***Boys and girls** will remove head coverings and sunglasses while indoors. Visible tattoos and body piercing (other than girls' earrings) are prohibited.

**All matters of dress code cannot be covered and require responsibility on the part of parents and students. It is expected that parents and students will work together beforehand at home to avoid any dress code conflicts at school. Students out of code will receive unexcused absences from class until they change into clothing that meets code. Final decision rests with the school staff. After three infractions, a detention will be issued.**

### SPECIAL OCCASION DRESS CODE

#### Superlatives, Senior Trip, Junior/Senior Formal

1. As always, modesty is the key principle in the selection of formal wear.
2. Dresses must be modest in all area: neckline, length, slits, tightness, and cutouts.
3. Necklines should be high enough so that cleavage is not shown.
4. The back of the dress must not be lower than halfway down the back.
5. Dress length must be knee length or longer,
6. Slits in dresses may be just above the knee.
7. Dresses must not be tight or form-fitting (hugging the body).
8. Young men should wear a suit and tie or tuxedo as this is a formal event.
9. Visible tattoos, piercings (other than girls' earrings), and nose rings are not permitted.
10. If your date does not attend RVCS, you are responsible to provide them with these guidelines well in advance of the event.
11. If you are out of this dress code, dress code points will be issued, and students may be denied admittance until they change into something that meets the dress code requirement.

### Baccalaureate and Graduation

All graduates will wear red caps and gowns for the Baccalaureate and Graduation ceremonies. Dress code exceeds school dress code. Other students serving during Baccalaureate and Graduation or receptions must exceed the weekday school dress code. Boots, jeans and athletic wear, which may be worn during school hours, are not acceptable for these formal occasions. Dress code points will be issued to students who are not in code. If you are out of this dress code, you may be denied admittance until you change into something that meets the dress code requirement.

**For all occasions, if you are in doubt about your attire, do not wear it.**