



# Uniform and Dress Code

## Uniforms

- **School uniform shirts are mandatory for students.** Three uniform shirts ((1) Polo/ (2) T-shirts) and one (1) pair of P.E. shorts will be provided upon acceptance and financial completion for admission.
- Uniforms may be purchased at PRCA or Over the Edge in Defuniak Springs, FL.

## Dress Code

The *PRCA Guidelines for Student Behavior* (see your PRCA FAMILY MANUAL, available upon admission into the Academy) details the standards for behavior that PRCA desires students to adhere to as they mature toward the image of Christ and gives the philosophy of the dress standards. In accordance with the principles of modesty set forth in Scripture, students should dress in a way that neither dishonors God nor draws attention to themselves inappropriately. The dress standards that follow are intended as expressions of the principles of modesty and neatness. They are not designed to promote legalism or regimentation. Within the guidelines, there is sufficient latitude for individual expression and taste. **THE FINAL AUTHORITY** for dress code interpretation is Shalyn Tison, Director of PRCA.

### 1. General appearance:

- Student appearance should enhance a Christian's testimony of a life adhering to Biblical principles rather than worldly standards. Appropriateness, cleanliness and neatness of appearance are related to health, general social acceptance, and good habit-building.
- Students' hair should be neatly styled and clean. Extremes in hairstyles that call undue attention will not be permitted. Boys must be clean-shaven.
- Excessive make-up is not permitted in the Academy.
- Body piercings are limited to ears.

### 2. Students must dress modestly:

- Students will wear properly fitting clothing at all times. **No tight or form-fitting, sagging, or excessively baggy clothing may be worn.**
- Blouses that reveal cleavage or midriff are not permitted.
- **Skirts and shorts shall be knee length.**
- Uniform shirts must be of school colors (**white, gray, navy, teal, black, or gold**)
- Pants, shorts, and skirts are to be solid-colored Khaki or Denim.
  - Allowable colors:
    - Tan, black, grey, or navy
    - Blue jean denim
- **No leggings, jeggings, or athletic wear may be worn as bottoms.**
- Shirts that are worn under the uniform polo or shirt that extend beyond the polo shirtsleeve must be teal, navy, white, gray, black, or gold.

### 3. Accessories:

- Shoes must be fully enclosed and firm-soled for safety.
- All accessories must not cause undue attention.

### 4. Outerwear:

- Students may wear solid color jackets of their choosing if they do not promote anything that goes against our *Guidelines for Student Behavior*.

**Non-uniform dress:**

**5. Casual Dress (Wednesdays, Half Days & School Related Events):**

***\*Parents will be notified of the School Related Events\****

- Students may wear any type of shirt, pants, jacket, or shoes that meet the criteria listed above regarding modesty and adherence to Biblical principles; except for

**NO:**

- No athletic attire worn as bottoms.
- No clothing with tears, tatters, frays, holes or chains.
- No military-style clothing, shoes, or military camo attire.
- **No leggings or jeggings may be worn as pants.**

**6. P.E. Uniform**

- Students are required to dress out for P.E.
- Black knee-length mesh gym shorts with the PRCA logo (given at the Open House).
- Tops can be any of the uniform PRCA T-shirts.
- Sweat pants can be worn as part of the P.E uniform for winter.
  - Sweatpants can be purchased at Over the Edge.

**7. Chapel (Chapel services are held on Fridays)**

- Students are to wear their PRCA Polo with embroidered logo (given at the Open House) on Fridays for Chapel service.
- If Friday is a half day the rules listed in number 5 “Casual Dress” will apply.

*\* Newly enrolled students will receive a 10-school-day grace period to await the arrival of embroidered clothing. the student must still meet all other dress code requirements except the logo requirement.*

*\*\* PRCA is not responsible for non-labeled, lost clothing items. Please label all clothing. Lost and Found items will be collected in the office. At the end of each quarter (Report Card Day), unclaimed items will be given to charity.*