



## **DRESS CODE POLICY (SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY)**

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

The Board of Trustees of Canyon Rim Academy believes that a Dress Code Policy will establish a sense of community and create a learning environment free of distractions. The dress code, as established below, provides clear and simple standards which are to be followed by all CRA students and enforced by teachers and administration. Administration shall have discretion to make decisions regarding dress and grooming in furtherance of this Dress Code Policy. The standards established below will be enforced during school hours and before & after school performances & activities.

#### **1. Uniforms improve the classroom learning environment by:**

- a. Helping students concentrate on their schoolwork by setting a tone for serious study.
- b. Removing distractions created by socioeconomic differences and modern fashion.
- c. Building discipline and self-mastery in students.

#### **2. Uniforms build citizenship and a sense of community in our children by:**

- a. Building self-esteem, self-respect, and school spirit among students.
- b. By creating the distinction of being part of a group.
- c. Maintaining a good school image in the community by a neat appearance.
- d. Providing a visible and public symbol of commitment to school improvement and reform.

#### **3. Uniforms create safe learning environments by:**

- a. Helping school officials recognize intruders who may come into the school

### **APPROVED UNIFORM COLORS: (Solid Colors only, no patterns)**



## Tops / Undershirts

- **Colors:** Navy, White, Light Blue, Primary Red, Heather Gray (light gray)
- **Style:** Uniform style only. See photos below for acceptable collars. Must have a collar (turtlenecks are okay).
- **Undershirts:** Long-sleeved, in approved uniform colors, may be worn underneath a collared uniform shirt. May not be worn alone.
- **Materials:** Cotton/polyester collared polo shirts. Twill or knit button-down collared shirts, either long or short sleeved.
- **Not Acceptable:**
  - Brand name emblems (Polo, RL, Tommy, etc.)
  - Any red other than Primary Red (e.g., maroon)
  - Shirts without collars
  - No midriff showing
  - Lace collars, sailor collars, or ruffle collars
  - Denim, silk, nylon or linen



## Sweaters & Outerwear

- **Colors:** Navy, White, Light Blue, Primary Red, Heather Gray (light gray)
- **Sweaters:** Crewneck sweater, v-neck sweater, cardigan sweaters or sweater vests may be worn over an approved collared shirt.
- **Outerwear:** Worn inside the classroom must be one solid color in the approved colors, or school logo'd items. No other logos are permitted.
- **Coats & Jackets:** Any coat, jacket, or hooded sweatshirt must be removed upon entering the classroom.
- **Not Acceptable**
  - Hooded sweatshirts, jackets, or non-approved uniform outerwear worn inside the classroom.



## Dresses

- **Colors:** Navy, Primary Red, Light Blue, Khaki, White & Heather Gray (light gray)
- **Style:** Solid colored dresses with approved collars. (Turtlenecks ok) Approved colors only. Either long or short sleeved. Button down.
- **Length:** No more than 2 inches above the knee, even with leggings.
- **Materials:** Cotton/polyester, jersey knit, corduroy or twill
- **Not Acceptable:**
  - Logos or brand names.
  - Sweater knit.
  - Lace collars, sailor collars, or ruffle collars.



## Bottoms / Shorts / Pants / Capris

- **Colors:** Khaki & Navy (no light blue, grey, red or white)
- **Materials:** Must be made of cotton, twill, polyester, or corduroy
- **Length:** Shorts must be knee-length or no more than 2 inches above the knee. Cut-offs must be cuffed or hemmed
- **Not Acceptable:**
  - Extra zippers
  - Knit bottoms, cargo pants, nylon, sweatpants, leather or vinyl
  - Leggings worn as pants
  - Extra ruffles, lace or embellishments
  - Items with emblems or logos
  - Frayed edges, holes, rips, or slits of any kind—even if purchased that way



## Skirts / Jumpers

- **Colors:** Khaki or Navy (no light blue, grey, red or white)
- **Length:** Knee-length or no more than 2 inches above the knee. Skirt length requirements remain the same even when worn with leggings or tights underneath.
- **Style:** Jumpers in khaki or navy are acceptable but must be worn with a collared shirt or turtleneck
- **Materials:** Cotton/polyester, jersey knit, corduroy or twill
- **Not Acceptable:**
  - Extra zippers
  - Nylon, sweater knit, leather or vinyl
  - Extra ruffles, lace or embellishments
  - Items with emblems or logos
  - Frayed edges, holes, rips, or slits of any kind—even if purchased that way



## Shoes

- Shoes must be comfortable, matching, and in a conservative style that is non-distracting to the educational environment.
- **Colors:** Student's choice
- **Style:** Must be closed-toed and closed-heeled.
- **Not Acceptable:**
  - Shoes with lights, charms, or wheels.
  - Crocs, slippers or flip flops

## Socks

- **Colors:** Any solid color or standard athletic socks without patterns
- **Not Acceptable**
  - Thigh high socks/stockings
  - Patterned socks/stockings

## Leggings & Tights

- **Colors:** Navy Blue, White, Red, Light Gray, Light Blue, or Khaki
- **Leggings:** Only allowed to be worn under skirts or dresses, they cannot be worn on their own as pants.
- **Not Acceptable**
  - Tights and leggings with holes or rips.

## Accessories

- **Jewelry:** Small, simple, and non-distracting to the educational environment
- **Headbands:** Small, simple, and non-distracting.
- **Not Acceptable**
  - Hats worn in the school building.
  - Scarves.
  - Other "trendy" accessories as determined by the administration.
  - Large or long necklaces, large hoop or long dangle earrings for safety concerns.
  - Headbands with ears, or excessive embellishments.

## Hair & Makeup

- CRA supports diverse school community & recognizes natural hair styles for religious & cultural purposes. Hair must be kept clean, neat & have a combed appearance.
- **Not Acceptable**
  - Extreme styles or colors that distract from the learning environment.

## Free Dress Days & Miscellaneous

- Shoes: School-approved shoes are still required.
- Content Restrictions: Clothing may not contain vulgar language, nudity, gang affiliation, drugs, or alcohol.
- Other Guidelines: Any clothing or accessory not listed in the Dress Code but determined to be distracting will be addressed on an individual basis.
- Admin will authorize in advance; pajamas, sport uniforms, school t-shirts, etc.
- Grooming and modest standards still apply.

## Halloween Costumes

Costumes may not have masks, blood, or weapons. All costumes must be modest. Minimal face paint is okay. Non permanent hair color is acceptable.

### **Financial Assistance:**

Tops and bottoms, under this policy, may be available for students whose parents need financial assistance in obtaining them. The Principal shall have complete discretion to make decisions regarding assistance.