

LIFEGATE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Appearance and Attire

Dress Code

Please refer to the Student Handbook for further information.

Clothing expectations

Appropriate - The fabric, style, cut, occasion, etc. are to be taken into consideration so that the final result is modest, considerate attire for both ladies and gentlemen. By definition modest attire does not attract undue attention nor is it disruptive to school proceedings.

Dress Standards for all students

- Clothing must fit properly--neither too tight, too large, nor too revealing. The size of the garment is to correspond with the size of the wearer.
- Midriffs are to remain covered at all times (including when arms are raised).
- Undergarments are to be worn and not seen.
- Pants must be worn with the waistband within 2 inches of the top of the hipbone.
- Neat/Clean - This means clothing that is clean and in good shape **without holes or fraying**.
- Hem of shorts must be no more than three inches above the knee (including when seated, etc).
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- No sharp jewelry or belts.
- No chains hanging from pockets.
- Messages on clothing, accessories or any other place must be compatible with the Christian faith.
- Hats, bandanas, or head coverings are not to be worn.
- Studded belts are okay as long as they aren't distracting or dangerous.
- Studded choke-type necklaces and bracelets are not allowed.
- Tank tops and sleeveless tops will not be worn. All sleeves must be capped or longer.
- No visible tattoos.
- Camouflage fatigues, militia attire, sweat pants, pajama bottoms, athletic shorts and warm-up/nylon pants are not appropriate for school dress.
- Special "unique" dress styles not mentioned above will be handled on an individual basis.

Men

- Hair should be neatly trimmed and of a natural hair color. Hair must be cut above the eyebrows and not fall below the base of the neckline. Ponytails, as with mullets, are not allowed.
- Facial hair must be neatly trimmed.
- Piercings shall go unadorned (no ring or stud/clear plastic plug is acceptable).

Women

- Hair should be neatly trimmed and of natural hair color.
- Hem of skirt must be no more than three inches above the knee (including when seated, etc). Slits in skirts follow the same standards.
- Tight fitting attire and revealing cuts are inadmissible.
- Piercing shall be limited to three earrings in each ear. Any other piercing shall go without adornment (no ring or stud/clear plastic plug is acceptable).

Gym Clothes—Men's and Women's

PE uniform (Lifegate T-shirt & black shorts) Shorts no shorter than 5 inches above the knee are acceptable.

Exceptions for Teams:

On game days, the coaches of the various sports may exercise their prerogative to have the team dress uniformly (within the dress code) in a manner signifying team unity.

Chapel Attire

On a chapel day, chapel dress is to be worn for the entire day.

Men's Chapel Dress

Dress pants (no denim) can be conservative, muted colors that are dressy. A tucked in dress shirt, dress shoes (non sport) and a necktie will be worn.

Women's Chapel Dress

Almost any color of skirts or dress slacks (no denim) and blouses may be worn as long as they are of a non-clashing, non-distracting nature, with the following exceptions: Blouses may not be t-shirts or t-shirt type. Dress shoes (non sport) are required.

Formal Dress for Special Events

Formal occasions are graduation, banquets, and any other Lifegate School sponsored event. Students who invite guests will be responsible to ensure their dress and appearance meets these standards.

Men's Formal Dress:

Dress slacks, dress shirt and tie are appropriate.

Dress shoes (non sport) are required.

Jacket or tuxedo are acceptable but not required.

Women's Formal Dress

Modesty is the goal, elegance is expected.

Shoulders must be covered. Strapless or spaghetti strap attire must be covered.

Low-cut or backless dresses are prohibited.

Dress length to be no more than 3 inches above the knees.