

# **UNIFORM & DRESS CODE**

### **UNIFORMS**

- Students are required to wear a P.R.C.A. Polo shirt on:
  - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- Students are allowed to wear a P.R.C.A. T-shirt on:
  - Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Free dress days will be announced in advance.
- School uniform shirts are mandatory for students. Three uniform shirts ((2) Polo/ (1) T-shirt) will be provided at the open house, pending acceptance and financial completion for admission.
- P.E. Uniform must be purchased
- Uniforms may be purchased at P.R.C.A. or at Over the Edge in Defuniak Springs, FL.

#### **DRESS CODE**

The P.R.C.A. Guidelines for Student Behavior (see your P.R.C.A. FAMILY MANUAL, available upon admission into the Academy) details the standards for behavior that P.R.C.A. desires students to adhere to as they mature toward the image of Christ and gives the philosophy of the dress standards. Following 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. FINAL AUTHORITY for dress code interpretation is Shalyn Tison, Director of P.R.C.A.

## • 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.
- Student's 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 pants.
- 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:

• P.R.C.A. students may wear jackets of solid color with no writing or images of their choosing. Non-uniform dress:

# 5. Casual Dress:

- \* Parents will be notified in advance of non-uniform dress days
- Students may wear a shirt, pants, jacket, or shoes of their choosing 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.
- P.R.C.A. approved gym shorts with P.R.C.A. logo.
- Tops can be any of the uniform P.R.C.A. T-shirts.
- P.R.C.A. sweatpants can be worn as part of the P.E. uniform for winter.
- P.E. uniforms can be purchased at *Over the Edge*, some items are available online at the *MerchLink* store accessible through the P.R.C.A. website, and at the P.R.C.A. Office.

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

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