

Upper School Appearance Guidelines

- The purpose of the WCA Dress Code is to ensure neatness and modesty among our student body.
- Our desire is for our students to view school to be a professional atmosphere and our appearance should reflect that perspective.
- All clothing should be in good repair and fit appropriately. (not too tight, low, baggy, etc.)
- Students attending school functions **on or off campus** should exhibit all standards of modesty as noted in the dress code.
- Please note the Monday-Thursday guidelines as well as the Casual Friday guidelines listed below.

Monday – Thursday

- **Hoodies and Sweatshirts** From Monday to Thursday clothing with a hood and sweatshirts must have the Westminster logo.
- Outerwear Any color or style outerwear (other than sweatshirts and items with hoods) may be worn provided the logo on the outerwear can be covered with the hand. Heavy coats and rain jackets should not be worn inside the classroom.
- **Hair** must be clean and well-groomed and cannot be an unnatural color or of distracting nature.
- Hats Hats should not be worn during the school day. No hoods should be worn during the school day.
- **Body piercing** (other than earrings for girls), **visible tattoos**, and **distracting makeup** or accessories are not permitted.

Boys

- Shirts Boys are allowed to wear any collared shirt provided that any logo on the shirt
 can be covered with their hand. This includes polo shirts and oxford, button-up shirts.
 Shirts do not have to be tucked in. Exception if boys have on a hoodie, sweatshirt or
 pullover, then a collared shirt is not required, but the hoodie, sweatshirt or pullover
 must be worn at all times.
- Pants Any khaki or navy plain front or pleated chino style pants are allowed. No Cargo pants. No jeans.
- **Shorts** Any khaki or navy plain front or pleated chino style short is allowed. No Cargo shorts please. **Shorts should be mid-thigh length or longer.**
- Belts A belt should be worn to keep pants up.

• **Shoes** -Athletic shoes, dress shoes, and boots or sandals are all appropriate for school. No flip-flops or crocs.

Girls

- Shirts Girls are allowed to wear any collared shirt provided that any logo on the shirt
 may be covered with their hand. This includes polo shirts and oxford, button-up shirts.
 Crop tops are not allowed.
- Pants Any khaki or navy plain front or pleated chino style pants are allowed. Cargo pants or jeggings are not allowed. No jeans.
- **Skirts and Shorts** should be navy or khaki in color or the Land's End White Plaid, shorts can be plain or pleat front.-**The length of all skirts should be mid-thigh or longer.**
- Leggings Leggings may be worn under a skirt and should be black, khaki, gray, navy or white. No logos or lace.
- **Shoes** Athletic shoes, dress shoes, and boots or sandals are all appropriate for school. No flip-flops or Crocs.

Casual Friday

Casual Fridays are an opportunity for our Upper School students to enjoy dressing casually while ensuring that our dress reflects modesty and neatness. **We do expect to maintain an academic school atmosphere.**

- Any shirt may be worn provided it is modest, has sleeves and does not contain inappropriate slogans or graphics. **No crop tops may be worn.**
- Any type or color of shorts or pants may be worn with the following exceptions: <u>pajama</u> pants, yoga pants, leggings **or loose baggy sweatpants** may not be worn.
- All shorts and skirts must still adhere to the length specifications noted in the Monday-Thursday guidelines. **No running shorts may be worn.**
- Participation in Casual Friday is a privilege reserved for those students who adhere to the Monday-Thursday dress guidelines.

Professional Day - on certain occasions and assemblies, we would ask all students to dress according to a style that is more professional in appearance. These would include - Senior Celebration, Honors or Awards Day, possible Field Trips and Academic competitions, Honor Roll recognition, and student representatives as ambassadors or hosts on preview days.

Boys

- Boys should wear khaki pants or dress pants, no shorts, and button-down shirts with ties.
- Shirts should be tucked in and belts should be worn.
- No tennis shoes

Girls

• Girls should wear dresses, skirts, or dress pants and tops, no shorts.

• No tennis shoes

All Students - All outerwear will be removed during the assembly or event.