

# 2025-26 UNIFORM POLICY

At Chinook Winds Adventist Academy, we believe that a uniform is more than just a set of clothes—it's a symbol of our shared commitment to academic excellence and personal integrity. The uniform sets the tone for a focused, respectful environment, where students can direct their attention toward their studies, rather than being distracted by fashion trends. It promotes a sense of unity, as all students, regardless of background, are united in their common goal of personal and academic achievement.

Our school uniform helps students adopt a professional mindset, encouraging pride in both their appearance and their role within the CWAA community. By wearing the uniform with dignity, students contribute to the collective identity of the school, making them immediately recognizable as part of a group that values learning, discipline, and mutual respect.

#### General Guidelines

- Uniform: Students should wear their uniform with pride and respect. The uniform represents not only the school but also the values and goals that each student shares with the CWAA community.
- Cleanliness and Neatness: It is important that students maintain their uniforms in clean, good condition. Torn, dirty, or ill-fitting uniforms are not acceptable.
- Consistency: Uniforms must be worn properly and consistently throughout the school day and during any school-related activities, unless otherwise stated.
- Respect for the Code: Students and parents are expected to uphold the standards of the uniform policy as part of the commitment to maintaining the school's atmosphere of discipline and academic focus.

CWAA has both a casual and a formal uniform.

Casual Uniform Days: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Formal Uniform Day: Tuesday for Chapel and other special occasions.

Students are required to wear a school uniform during school hours, to and from school, all designated school field trips and/or related activities (unless special permission is granted by teacher) and at all public performances presented by the school.



## UNIFORM SUPPLIER

CWAA's uniform supplier is Elegant Design & Clothing Manufacturing Inc.

Bay 11, 1420-40th Avenue N.E., Calgary

PH:403-250-8747

Email; E-Design@telus.net

- Parents can place their order by email or they may visit the Elegant Design & Clothing Manufacturing Inc.
- Order forms are available at the school or can be downloaded from our school website at www.cwaa.net.
- All uniform pieces must be purchased through our designated provider Elegant Design & Clothing Manufacturing Inc. and cannot be adjusted outside the specified standards.



**BOYS GIRLS** 

# **ELEMENTARY FORMAL UNIFORM**

Navy tunic with belt (Grades K-3) Navy skort (Grades 4-6) White long or short sleeved blouse Navy crested cardigan (Grades 4-6) \* Navy knee highs or tights

All black shoes

Navy pants

White long or short sleeved dress shirt

Navy crested vest \* Navy or black socks All black shoes

# **ELEMENTARY CASUAL UNIFORM**

Navy pants White/navy/light blue polo shirts Navy crested vest or cardigan \*

Navy crested hoodie

Black or navy ankle socks (for pants)

Formal uniform may also be worn

All black shoes

Navy pants

White/navy/light blue polo shirts

Navy crested cardigan \* Navy crested hoodie Black or navy ankle socks

Formal uniform may also be worn

All black shoes

#### SECONDARY FORMAL UNIFORM

Plaid tartan skort

White long or short sleeve dress blouse Navy crested pullover and/or cardigan \*

Plaid tie – Senior High

Cross-over tie – Junior High Navy/black knee highs or tights

All black shoes

Grey dress pants

White long or short sleeved dress shirt

Navy crested pullover and/or cardigan \*

Solid red tie - Senior High Pinstripe tie – Junior High

Black ankle socks All black shoes

## SECONDARY CASUAL UNIFORM

Navy pants Navy pants White long or short sleeved dress blouse White long or short sleeve dress shirt Black or White short sleeve polo shirts Black or White short sleeve polo shirts Navy crested pullover or cardigan \* Navy crested pullover and/ or cardigan \* Navy crested hoodie Navy crested hoodie Black or navy ankle socks (pants) Black ankle socks Formal uniform may also be worn Formal uniform may also be worn All black shoes All black shoes

- \* Please note the navy crested pullover or cardigan are to be worn over white shirt/blouse or polo shirt and not allowed to be worn on its own.
- \*\* Khaki pants are still acceptable at this time. Once stock is sold out it will no longer be available.
- \*\*\* Light blue polo shirts for Elementary girls and boys are still acceptable at this time. Once stock is sold out it will no longer be available.

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#### UNIFORM AND DRESS GUIDELINES

- Uniform items must be clean, in good repair and not be modified in any way except for sizing.
- Each uniform item should be marked with the student's name. The school is not responsible for lost clothing.
- All dress shirts are to be worn tucked in.
- A white t-shirt may be worn under any white or light-colored shirt or blouse and a black t-shirt may be worn only under the navy or black polo shirt.
- CWAA sports jerseys or uniforms are not part of the school uniform and should not be worn in the classroom.
- Skorts and tunics can be no shorter than 2" above the knee.
- Black shoes only The shoes must be entirely black, which is fairly standard for maintaining a neat, uniform look.
  - Clean shoes to be in good condition and properly secured at all times.
  - Non-marking soles To protect school floors from scuffing or damage.
  - No colored laces Only black laces are acceptable, in line with the uniformity.
  - Heels must be no higher than 2" Keeping footwear comfortable and appropriate.
  - List of different types of shoes are on the last page.
- No open-toed shoes or sandals Keeping it closed-toed and secure for safety reasons.
- No "Croc or Croc-style" shoes are not acceptable, even if they are all black.
- Athletic Gym Shoes are required for PE.
- Indoor/Outdoor Policy Students should have outdoor shoes separate from indoor shoes. Keeping our classrooms, hallways and gym clean. Students should wear appropriate outdoor shoes or boots that fit the weather conditions/season. Parents of elementary students please mark your child's name on all outdoor and indoor clothing, shoes, and accessories as many students may wear the same brand and find it hard to identify who it belongs to. This also includes heavy coats and snow pants.
- Socks must be worn at all times.
- Girls tights or knee high stockings must not have a design.
- Hair should be clean and neat. No dramatic hairstyles and/or hair colors are permitted.
- Make-up and nail polish must be natural in appearance.
- Jewelry (rings, earrings, bracelets, necklaces) is not permitted.
- Headphones or AirPods are not to be worn during the school day.
- Body piercing and tattoos are not permitted.
- Check for Specific Guidelines: If you're ever unsure, it's a good idea to double-check the dress code or ask a teacher or administrator for clarity on what's acceptable.
- Head coverings which have a cultural or religious significance are permitted and may be worn



## **GYM STRIP**

All students in Grades 5-10 are required to wear designated CWAA t-shirts and shorts to Physical Education classes. Gym clothing must be purchased directly from the administration office.

- Gym strip should not be worn to any other class, exceptions are "High School option classes" such as Fitness, Outdoor Education, etc., as needed.
- Gym strip t-shirts should not be worn under any uniform shirt or blouse.

#### LUNCH BAGS AND WATER BOTTLES

To help maintain an organized and efficient environment at CWAA, all students are required to label their lunch bags and water bottles with their full name. This helps prevent any mix-ups, ensures that personal items are returned to their rightful owners, and maintains a neat, clutter-free space in the classrooms. Reusable water bottles are encouraged to reduce waste, but proper labeling is essential to prevent confusion.

# CASUAL/FORMAL CLOTHING

Once a month (usually the last Friday of the month), students are permitted to wear non-uniform clothes. Additionally, during the school year CWAA will host special ceremonies (graduations, banquets, etc.). Students are expected to wear appropriate, modest dress both for an academic and Christian atmosphere.

The following consist of inappropriate clothing items for casual or formal dress days:

- Clothing that advertises anything contrary to a Christian lifestyle
- Short dresses or skirts (length must be approaching the knee)
- See-through or sheer material
- Bare midriff and/or bare feet
- Spaghetti straps (material should cover a regular bra strap (1.5 2")
- Tops that show cleavage
- Tight or ripped clothing
- Hats

While these days offer flexibility in clothing choices, it is important that students remain mindful of the academic and Christian atmosphere of our school. All attire should reflect modesty, respect, and the values upheld by CWAA.



#### PARENT/STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

At CWAA, maintaining the integrity of our uniform policy is a shared responsibility between the school, the student, and the parents/guardians. It is essential that both students and their families fully understand and adhere to the guidelines outlined in this policy.

# Responsibilities of Parents/Guardians

- Uniform Preparation: Parents are responsible for ensuring that their child is equipped with the appropriate uniform and any required items for the school day. This includes planning ahead for sizing, replacements, or seasonal changes (e.g., additional layers for colder weather).
- Maintenance: Parents should ensure that uniforms are kept in good condition—clean, well-fitting, and free of damage or excessive wear. This responsibility helps students maintain a professional appearance.
- Communication: Parents are encouraged to support their children in following the uniform policy and communicate any issues or challenges they might face in adhering to it.

#### Responsibilities of Students

- Adherence to Guidelines: Students are expected to wear the uniform correctly and consistently every school day, including all required components such as shoes, socks, and outerwear.
- Personal Responsibility: Students should take responsibility for keeping their uniforms clean and in good condition.
- Behavioral Example: By wearing their uniform with pride, students contribute to a respectful and focused school atmosphere, reinforcing the values of CWAA.

# Enforcement by CWAA Staff

The CWAA staff will consistently monitor and enforce the uniform policy throughout the school year. Staff members are trained to identify and address non-compliance in a fair and consistent manner. If a student is found to be in violation of the uniform policy:

• Immediate Action: The student will be asked to correct the violation immediately, either by adjusting their attire or being provided with a temporary solution.



• Change of Attire: If the uniform issue cannot be resolved on-site, the student may be sent home to change into the appropriate attire.

## Repeated Violations

If uniform violations become a recurring issue, CWAA will take appropriate action, which may include:

- A written email to the parents reminder of the uniform policy.
- A meeting with parents to discuss the situation.

Guidelines for first time purchasing uniforms for your elementary student.

This is an example only and please do what is necessary for your child.

# Boys Uniform:

- 3 x Navy Pants
- 1 x White Dress Shirt
- 3 x Polo Shirt (white or navy) comes in short sleeve or long sleeve your choice
- 1 x Navy Crested Vest
- 1 x Navy Hoodie

#### Girls Uniform:

- 1 x Navy Tunic with belt (Grades K-3)
- 1 x Navy Skort (Grades 4-6)
- 1 x White Blouse
- 1 x Crested Cardigan (Gr.4-6)
- 2 x Navy Pants
- 1 x Navy Hoodie
- 3 x Polo Shirt (white or navy) comes in short sleeve or long sleeve your choice

#### Here are a few types of shoes that would meet indoor requirements:

# 1. Oxford Shoes

- Style: Classic, formal lace-up shoes with a closed toe.
- Typically black, formal, and non-marking. They can be found with flat soles to ensure comfort, and they look neat and professional.

#### 2. Loafers

- Style: Slip-on shoes that can range from casual to dressy.
- Loafers are easy to wear and often come in black leather or faux leather, which looks polished and fits the non-marking requirement.



- 3. Ballet Flats (Closed-toe)
  - Style: Flat shoes with a rounded toe.
- 4. Athletic Style (All black including laces)
  - PE requires their own Athletic Shoe not to be worn with the uniform.
- 5. Converse Shoes- All Black including laces.
  - Style: Casual all canvas lace shoe
- 6. Dress Boots (Low-heeled)
  - Style: Leather or faux leather boots with a small heel height (under 2"). They should be sleek and polished, not bulky.
- 7. Mary Janes
  - Style: A flat shoe with a single strap across the instep, typically closed-toed.
  - These can be dressy, especially if made in black leather or faux leather. The strap helps keep the shoe secure, and they are usually comfortable for all-day wear.
- 8. Slip-On Dress Shoes
  - Style: Shoes without laces but still formal and polished.