## **Uniform and Dress Code**

#### Uniforms

- School uniforms are mandatory for students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Uniforms may be purchased at <u>www.frenchtoast.com</u> (QS44ASQ) or <u>www.landsend.com</u>. (900089145)
- Some uniform pieces may be available locally at Stitch FX and seasonally at Target, Sears, Old Navy, and others.
- Monogramming is available through the web sites or locally at the following locations:

Stitch FX-664-0200/AAU-729-1205/TSP-729-3000/Eagles nest 279-4775/Uniform Connection & Trophies- 682-6288

#### **Dress Code**

The *RBCS Guidelines for Student Behavior* (see your RBCS FAMILY MANUAL) details the standards for behavior that RBCS desires students to adhere to as they mature toward the image of Christ and gives the philosophy of the dress standards. In accordance with 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. The dress code is designed to help our students cultivate a heart for honoring authority (a lifelong skill). **FINAL AUTHORITIES** for dress code interpretation are Mrs. M. Turner, Crestview Campus Principal, Mr. J. Wagenschutz, Academy Principal, Mr. P. Beaudine, Keep Principal, and Mrs. P. Seeling, Niceville Elementary Principal.

## 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, good habit building, and the principle of deference (limiting freedom in order to show honor to those in authority).
- Student's hair should be neatly styled and clean. Boy's hair should be above the middle of the ear, not obscuring the eyebrows and not hanging below the collar in the back. Extremes in hairstyles that call undue attention, such as cutting designs into the hair, and unnatural colors will not be permitted. Boys must be clean-shaven. Boys' sideburns cannot extend past the middle of the ear. Junior and senior males may grow facial hair and sideburns, but they must be neat and trimmed.
- Excessive make-up is not permitted in the Academy. No makeup is permitted in the elementary.
- Body piercings are limited to girls' ears.
- No visible tattoos.

### 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 not listed as a percentage or midriff are not permitted.
- Skirts and shorts will be no more than 3 inches above the knee.
- Uniform shirts must be of school colors (white, gray, royal, navy, light blue, black, or the approved shirts as seen on Lands' End and French Toast.) and have an RBCS logo in the upper left "pocket" area
- Uniform skirts (and jumpers) must be khaki, navy, black, or approved plaid.
- Uniform pants and shorts must be khaki, navy, or black. All pants and shorts need to be uniform looking. No denim or jean style.

- No leggings, jeggings, or athletic wear may be worn as pants.
- Shirts that are worn under the uniform polo that extend beyond the polo shirtsleeve must be royal blue, navy, light blue, white, gray, or black.

#### 3. Accessories:

- Shoes must be fully enclosed and firm-soled for safety.
- Belts must be worn on pants/skirts/shorts with belt loops. Belts may be leather or cloth and must coordinate with school colors.
- All accessories must not cause undue attention.
- Boys may not have visible hair accessories.

#### 4. Outerwear:

- Outerwear that is not extreme weather or leather must have an RBCS logo or emblem.
- Lightweight outerwear must be of school colors white, gray, royal, navy, or black.

#### Non-uniform dress:

## 5. Casual Dress (Half Days & School Related Events):

- Students may wear any type of shirt, jeans or jean shorts that meet the criteria listed above regarding modesty and adherence to Biblical principles; except for
  - o No athletic attire worn as bottoms.
  - o No clothing with tears, tatters, frays, holes or chains.
  - o No military style clothing, shoes, or military camo attire.
  - O Shirts can be worn untucked.
  - o No leggings or jeggings may be worn as pants.

## 6. Friday spirit dress (Fridays):

- Students may wear jeans or shorts with Rocky Bayou spirit shirts or Christian themed shirts.
- Shirts can be worn untucked.
- No leggings or jeggings may be worn as pants
- No athletic attire worn as bottoms.

## 7. Game Day Dress:

- On game day athletes may wear their team shirts as authorized by their coaches with uniform bottoms.
- Coaches may authorize more specific attire for their team that can be worn to school the day of the game.

# 8. Specific clothing requirements may be waived or required by the Principal for special occasions such as Spirit Week, Servolution, field trips, casual reward days or other special days. See below for dress code for semi-formal/formal events.

- Dresses must have straps (at least one) and not be form fitting (no spandex material)
- Dresses must be above the bra line in the back and have no cleavage
- Dresses must be no more than 3 inches above the knee (slit may be two inches above the knee)
- Semi-formal dress code for males is slacks, dress shirt, tie
- Formal dress code for males is Suit with tie or Tuxedo

<sup>\*</sup> Newly enrolled students will receive a 10-school day grace period to await the arrival of embroidered clothing. Previously owned uniform clothing may be available for use during this time. If such is unavailable, the student must still meet all other dress code requirements except the logo requirement. Jeans and tee shirts are not acceptable under this grace period.

<sup>\*\*</sup> RBCS is <u>not responsible</u> for non-labeled, lost clothing items. Please <u>label</u> 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.