

2022-2023 BVHS DRESS CODE

7.7 Dress Code

Student attire should reflect Christian modesty, humility, and respect for self and others at all times, reflecting positively on the Bishop Verot community. The administration will set parameters for dress code on special occasions. Final determination in all questions regarding the Dress Code will be made by the Dean of Students.

7.7.1 **Daily Dress Code.** Unless otherwise permitted by explicit announcement from the administration, the following is expected of all students during school hours. If a student is out of dress code during school hours for any reason, the student will be given a detention.

A. General Expectations

- 1) Official Bishop Verot shirts with the "BV" emblem or the new "VEROT" logo must be worn during the school day unless permission has otherwise been granted. Non-uniform Bishop Verot apparel (i.e. team shirts, NHS polos, team jerseys, etc.) are not permitted to be worn unless specific permission has been granted by the administration. All requests for team/club dress days must be made by the coach/moderator in advance. **Renegades Sportswear** is the authorized supplier of official BV shirts and maintains a supply of colors and styles approved by the school. Any shirt purchased from another supplier that does not have approved colors, styles, or emblems will be unacceptable. Renegades Sportswear is located at 17051 Jean Street, Unit 10 in Fort Myers (phone 239-275-6720, www.renegadesfl.com). The approved colors for the 2021-2022 school year are: black, white, and gold. Shirts of any other color, even if previously approved, are not permitted.
- 2) Approved Bishop Verot sweatshirts and jackets (through Bishop Verot teams or clubs) may be worn during cold weather, **always with an official BV polo worn underneath**. No other outerwear or the use of blankets is permitted. All other outerwear and blankets will be confiscated, and the student will be issued a detention.
- 3) No extremely tight-fitting or otherwise immodest clothing is permitted for either boys or girls and may result in a student being sent home in addition to receiving a detention.
- 4) Hats or **hoods** are not to be worn or carried during the school day. Violation of this rule will result in confiscation of the hat and a detention.
- 5) Any clothing that is ripped, torn or frayed in any manner is unacceptable.
- 6) With the exception of girls' earrings, body piercing jewelry is not acceptable. Nose rings are not permitted. Covering earrings with band-aids or tape or using fishing line or other plugs in place of earrings to maintain holes is not acceptable.
- 7) Tattoos cannot be visible before, during, or after school, or at school-sponsored events.

B. Dress Code for Young Men

- 1) **Shirts:** School approved shirts will be the only acceptable shirts. Shirts must be tucked in. (If BV outerwear is worn, students must wear a BV polo underneath).
- 2) **Shorts:** Relaxed-fit, solid colored (Khaki tan, black, navy blue, gray or brown ONLY) shorts in both flat and pleated fronts may be worn. Shorts must fit properly and are required to be no more than two inches from the top of the knee cap. Excessively baggy shorts, tight fitting shorts, **rolled shorts**, shorts with drawstring waists, **cargo shorts**, corduroys, jeans or jeans-like material, and pants with zippered pockets are not acceptable. Belt loops and a belt are required for all shorts. White shorts are not permitted. **On the third (3rd) dress code violation involving shorts, student will lose the privilege of wearing shorts and must wear long pants for the remainder of the academic year.**
- 3) **Pants:** Solid color (Khaki tan, black, navy blue, gray or brown ONLY) dress pants are the only acceptable pants. Up to four pockets are acceptable. Pants must fit properly. Excessively baggy pants, tight fitting pants, pants with drawstring waists, **cargo pants**, corduroys, jeans or jeans-like material, and pants with zippered pockets are not acceptable. Belt loops and a belt are required for all pants. White pants are not permitted.
- 4) **Shoes:** Dress shoes, leather deck shoes, leather loafers, or athletic shoes are acceptable and must be tied. Sandals, boots, Crocs, moccasins or slippers of any kind are not acceptable.
- 5) **Lanyards:** Students must wear their community lanyards with Student ID **at all times during the school day**. **Photo must be visible and not obstructed by stickers, markings, etc.**
- 6) **Socks:** If socks are worn, they must not be extreme in nature or distracting to the learning environment.
- 7) **Piercings:** Young men are not permitted to wear piercings of any kind during the school day, co-curricular, or athletic events. Covering piercings with band-aids or tape or using fishing line or other plugs to maintain holes is not acceptable.

- 8) **Makeup and Nail Polish:** Young men are not permitted to wear any makeup or nail polish of any kind during the school day, co-curricular, or athletic events.
- 9) **Hair** must be neatly groomed, well-trimmed, and moderate in style. No extremes in hairstyles or length will be permitted. Hair must be of reasonable length as judged by administration. Hair cannot be dyed. Hair should not touch the student's eyebrows or shirt collar or cover the student's ears. Bangs cannot be longer than eyebrow level. Hairstyles that are "bushy" or that entail significant contrasts of longer and short hair are not acceptable. Ornamental hairstyles such as mohawks, mullets, shaved engraving/lines/messaging, etc. are not permitted. Boys are not to wear ponytails or headbands, etc.
- 10) **Shaving:** Young men are to be clean-shaven each day. Sideburns should not extend lower than the earlobe or extend toward the cheek. Young men found to be in violation of this policy must shave in the Nurse's Office before returning to class.

C. **Dress Code for Young Women**

- 1) **Shirts:** School approved polo shirts will be the only acceptable shirts. Shirts must be tucked in. Polo shirts must be worn every day. (If BV outerwear is worn, students must wear a BV polo underneath).
- 2) **Pants:** Solid color (Khaki tan, black, navy blue, gray, or brown ONLY) dress pants may be worn. Stretch pants, drawstring pants, jeans, jeans-like material, cargo pants, corduroys, excessively tight pants, and pants made of spandex are not acceptable. A belt is required for all pants with belt loops.
- 3) **Capri Pants:** In addition to dress pants, girls have the privilege of wearing Capri pants that are solid colored (Khaki tan, black, navy blue, gray, or brown ONLY). Capris that are drawstring, stretchy, jeans, jeans-like material, cargo shorts, excessively tight, and pants made of spandex are not acceptable. A belt is required for all capris with belt loops.
- 4) **Skirts** are not permitted.
- 5) **Shorts** are not permitted.
- 6) **White Shorts, Pants, or Capris** are not permitted.
- 7) **Shoes:** Leather flats, leather loafers, leather deck shoes and athletic shoes are acceptable and must be tied. All shoes must have closed toes and a closed back. Sandals, boots, Crocs, moccasins or slippers of any kind are not acceptable.
- 8) **Lanyards:** Students must wear their community lanyards with Student ID at all times during the school day. **Photo must be visible and not obstructed by stickers, markings, etc.**
- 9) **Socks:** If socks are worn, they must not be extreme in nature or distracting to the learning environment.
- 10) **Short Shorts** are not permitted at any time for school events or functions either on or off campus.
- 11) **Hair** should be clean and well groomed. No extremes in hairstyles or color are acceptable. Bandanas/kerchiefs are not permitted.

D. **Exceptions.** A temporary exemption to the school dress code policy may be granted when necessary for medical reasons. The student or parent must provide documentation from a medical professional to the Dean of Students for approval. The Dean will issue a pass to the student showing the beginning and end date for the dress code modification. The student must carry this pass at all times.

7.7.2 Clothing and other items prohibited at school-sponsored events and activities, including school approved dress out days:

- Clothing that advertises or depicts alcohol, drugs, obscene language, sexual innuendo, or anything else that is deemed offensive.
- Tops which leave midriff bare
- Pajama pants
- Skirts or dresses that are shorter than 3" above the knee or 3" below the fingertip
- Immodest tops (sheer, off-the-shoulder, immodest neckline)
- Low-rise jeans
- Short shorts
- Boys may not be shirtless, wear excessively baggy clothing or earrings

7.7.3 **Spirit Fridays.** Students will be permitted to participate in Friday Spirit Days. Students will be permitted to wear any Bishop Verot shirt, as long as it has not been modified or altered in any way (ie. cut, tie-dyed, etc.). Shirts must have sleeves and midriffs are not permitted. Regular school bottoms are required.

7.7.4 **Jeans Days** may be granted as a privilege or "sold" for worthy causes by student organizations. Jeans Days will always be confirmed by the administration and should never be assumed without proper notification. On Jeans Days students

may wear jeans substituted for shorts or pants. Jeans may not be frayed, torn, or have holes. Jean shorts, jean bermudas or skirts are not permitted. Unless otherwise announced, all other daily dress code rules apply (BV outerwear, appropriate footwear, etc.).

- 7.7.5 **Dress Out Days** may be announced for special occasions, granted as a privilege, or “sold” for worthy causes by student organizations. Dress Out Days will always be confirmed by the administration and should never be assumed without proper notification. Parameters appropriate to the occasion will be determined and announced by the administration in advance. Students who ignore stated parameters are subject to disciplinary action.
- 7.7.6 **On Campus Before and After School Hours.** Students are expected to be appropriately and modestly dressed at all times. Before and after school hours on campus, expectations remain in place for attire consistent with the spirit of the dress code, including the parking lots and athletic areas, and especially on property shared with St. Cecilia Church. Any clothing or attire deemed inappropriate, immodest, or offensive will be subject to disciplinary action, even outside of school hours or at school events on or off campus.
- 7.7.7 **Dress Code at School Sponsored Events/Activities.** All students are expected to dress in a neat, clean manner and conform to standards of modesty and decency in their dress while at all school events (both on and off campus). The final decision in determining appropriate dress shall rest with the Dean of Students or Administration. Failure to adhere to established dress expectations may result in disciplinary action and/or being sent home from the event.