Dress Code (Secondary Students)(Clarified June 2019)

All students are expected to wear school uniform during school hours and when on school trips. After school hours, students are allowed to express themselves in how they dress, but the Administration reserves the right to decide what appropriate wear is. Our Christian walk and character and the culture in which we live must be taken into consideration.

Dress and appearance should be clean and tidy. Clothing worn should be appropriate for the occasion. If clothes do not meet these criteria, they will be deemed inappropriate, even if they would have otherwise met this dress code. **BOARDERS WITH INAPPROPRIATE DRESS WILL BE SENT TO THE DORM AND PARENTS OF DAY STUDENTS WILL BE ASKED TO COLLECT THEM. WHEN THE NECESSARY CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE THE STUDENT CAN RETURN TO SCHOOL.**

Please can you ensure that ***ALL*** clothing that your child brings to school is clearly marked with their name. Preferably use sewn-in name tags, second best are the iron-on type. Then please regularly check that the name is still visible within the clothing. [We have found that sewn in name tags can be purchased from 'Explosions' printers (0966600014 or sue@explosion1.com) in Chingola, but similar places are available in other towns]

Uniform items below marked * are supplied by the school on arrival.

In cold season, a dark coloured Jacket/coat or Amano PE Tracksuit Jacket may be worn in assembly and outside at break/lunch times but not inside the classrooms or in the dining hall. Any T-shirts worn under the school shirt should be plain white or blue with no patterns or writing.

GIRLS

School uniform consisting of:

- Light blue shirt and **navy blue** skirt knee length or longer
- Royal blue sweatshirt *
- Black shoes with leather uppers or sandals
- White or **navy** blue socks which cover the ankles (black tights or leggings in T2 only)
- Sunhat/ **Amano** Baseball cap*
- Rain jacket (rainy season)

P.E. uniform consisting of:

- Royal blue **polo** shirt and black shorts *
- Long black football-style socks when wearing shin pads and white sports socks at other times (not the same socks worn as normal uniform).
- Trainers (not canvas shoes or plimsolls)
- Shin pads*, mouth guards* and football boots
- Water bottle
- School Tracksuit* [Optional]

Hats

Hats/**Amano** baseball caps should be worn outside.

Bathing Suits

One piece suits which adequately cover girls and are modest. Must not be transparent when wet. High legs and low, revealing neck-lines should be avoided.

Hair
Conventional haircuts and natural hair colour only. Plaiting and braiding of the natural hair is acceptable **using black sewing thread (cotton) not wool** – and should be woven into the braid **(not wrapped around).** No extensions or beads allowed. Hair accessories should be small, neat and dark in colour

Body Piercing/Scarring/Tattooing/Jewellery
Piercing is permitted once on the lobe of a girl's ears only. All other forms of body piercing, tattooing and decorative scarring are not permitted. Girls may only wear studs in their ears; no other ear-rings are permitted during normal school hours. No charms are allowed. Other jewellery, nail varnish and make-up could be worn out of school hours but not during sports activities. Plain (discreet) wrist watches may be worn.

House Activities (as per school calendar)
All students are assigned to a School House and may be allowed to wear House colours for designated sports and academic competitions. The House colours are as follows:

Musenga (Green)
Luano (Red)
Kasompe (Yellow)

A plain coloured T shirt in House colours is acceptable. All other uniform expectations should be observed at these times.

Out of school dress (for Boarders and Day Students attending functions on site)
Skirts/ Dresses: Knee length or longer. Slits must not be above the knee.
Trousers: Smart trousers, jeans and tracksuit bottoms. No tight leggings or trousers.
Shorts: Mid-thigh length shorts are acceptable and must not be tight.
Tops: Must cover midriffs and not be skin tight. No low cut necklines permissible. Words or pictures on clothing must be inoffensive.
Shoes: May be casual.

Formal dress
Shoes: Smart shoes or sandals.
Dresses: As above. Off-the-shoulder styles not acceptable. Trousers and shorts are not suitable formal dress.
Further guidance will be given to Grade 12 students as to appropriate wear for the Leavers meal and Service.

Dresses or skirts MUST ALWAYS be knee length for any occasion, so that when the girl kneels on the floor the skirt touches the floor.

BOYS

School uniform consisting of:

- * Light blue shirt and long, black 'school style' tailored trousers of cotton or polyester based fabric. No denim or skinny fit trousers. There must be at least 5cm from the ankle to the outside of the trouser leg. Trousers may be worn with a black belt and small buckle.
- Royal blue sweatshirt *
- Black shoes with leather uppers
- Black, dark grey or navy socks which cover the ankles. NOT White.
- Sunhat/ **Amano** baseball cap*
- Rain jacket (rainy season)

P.E. uniform consisting of:

- Royal blue **polo** shirt and black shorts *
- Long black football-style socks (when wearing shin pads, white sports socks at other times.)
- Trainers (not canvas shoe or plimsolls)
- Shin pads*, mouth guards* and football boots
- Water bottle
- School Tracksuit* [Optional]

Hats
Hats/**Amano** baseball caps may be worn outside only.

Bathing Suits
Trunk type bathing suits or swim shorts.

Hair
Conventional haircuts (no undercutting) and natural colour only. Hair should be no longer than the top of a shirt collar and no more than 4cm in length. **Seniors:** beards and moustaches are not allowed.

Body piercing/scarring/tattooing/jewellery
No jewellery or charms should be worn. No form of body piercing, tattooing and decorative scarring is permitted. **Plain (discreet)** wrist watches may be worn.

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Out of school dress (for Boarders and Day Students attending functions on site)

Trousers: Smart or casual trousers, jeans, tracksuit bottoms are acceptable. They should not be tight.

Shorts: Mid-thigh length shorts are acceptable and must not be tight.

Shirts: Free choice. Words or pictures on clothing must be inoffensive.

Shoes: May be casual.

Formal Dress
Shoes: Smart shoes or sandals

Trousers: Smart trousers. No jeans or shorts.

Shirts: Smart or smart/casual **(with a collar)**

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