

## Men's PEAK Dress Code

Dear Gentlemen,

The ultimate goal of Wyoming Catholic's dress code is to emphasize respect the dignity of each person as a member of our community. The standards for our community reflect the academic, athletic, and Wyoming lifestyle of our college.

In order to accomplish our goal, our two focal points are the **professionalism appropriate to academic pursuit** and the **virtue of modesty as the underlying principle**. We recognize that our standards for professionalism do not completely match expectations for corporate attire, and that modesty is a virtue which will be exemplified differently on everyone. However, our dress code strives to promote the basic norms of each for the sake of our academic community.

### General Notes on Our Dress Code

- Please see the What to Bring document for the difference between the three levels of dress code (Formal, Classroom, and Casual).
- Try to find dress shoes that are comfortable for walking, or else plan to bring a change of shoes for class. Even though the dorms are close, the distance increases exponentially when wearing uncomfortable shoes!
- Remember you will be doing a lot of outdoor activities, so make sure you find active wear in accord with the dress code.
- There should be no obscene lettering or images on clothing at any time, and no unsuitable images (e.g., graphic tees) or lettering on class or formal dress clothing.
- We do expect you to come to PEAK with clothing according to the dress code; exceptions will not be made once you are here, and you will be asked to change out of non-dress code clothing if you wear it outside of the dorm, so please read the guidelines carefully!

### Specifics

#### Formal dress

- Collared dress shirt
- Tie
- Suit jacket (highly encouraged, but optional)
- Dress pants or khakis (appropriate colors include neutrals such as gray, khaki, navy, black, brown, etc.)
- Brown or black belt
- Dress shoes or boots (closed-toe, non-scuffed cowboy boots or dress shoes; must not be or look like a sneaker or beachwear, e.g., running shoes, Crocs, rubber or foam-soled sandals, snow, or hiking boots)

## **Classroom dress**

- Collared dress shirt or Polo
- Dark jeans (very dark blue or black; no bedazzlement such as studs, glitter, etc. on the rear), or neutral-colored pants such as khakis, chinos, or corduroys (see above)
- Brown or black belt
- Dress shoe or boot (see above)

## **Guidelines for specific articles of clothing (apply to any of the 3 levels of dress)**

### **Pants**

- Neatness
  - Jeans or pants for casual dress may not have unpatched tears or rips from the waist to the knee. No article of dress with rips or tears may be worn for either classroom or formal dress.
- Tightness
  - Should not be super tight, hugging the rear and thighs, etc.

### **Hats/Hair**

- Hats are not permitted to be worn inside buildings.
- Hair should be groomed and clean for classroom and formal dress.

### **Shirts**

- Anything allowed for the other levels of dress as well as t-shirts and tank tops
- T-shirts and tank tops must be closed at the side seams and of opaque material to cover the torso; should not be skin tight
- Except while swimming, shirts must be worn at all times outside of the dorms

### **Shorts/Pants**

- Anything allowed in the other levels of dress as well as jeans, shorts and athletic pants
- Long underwear/tights on their own and excessively short shorts are not acceptable campus wear. Should be at least mid-thigh or longer.
- Even if your shorts are dress code length, for modesty purposes they may need be longer given certain activities. Harnesses for climbing or rappelling can particularly make your shorts ride up. It can help to wear leggings or longer compression shorts under a mid-thigh pair of shorts.

### **Swimsuits**

- Board shorts