

Hindu Heritage Summer Camp



Dress Code Policy

Hindu Heritage Summer Camp strives to promote an equitable and safe environment for campers and counselors alike. Thus, the camp's dress code shall not reinforce gender stereotypes or increase marginalization or oppression of any group based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, household income, gender identity, or cultural observance.

The HHSC dress code is designed to reflect the values and goals of the organization, using impartiality to maintain a spiritual, fun, and inclusive environment free of social pressures and expectations.

The guidelines for both campers and counselors are as follows:

- Everyone must wear a shirt/top and pants, shorts or skirt that permit sitting comfortably on the floor without undergarments showing.
 - Shorts must be a reasonable length, mid-thigh, that covers buttocks and when seated does not reveal undergarments. Shorts must not have holes or be torn. Shorts cannot be "skin-tight". Biker shorts or shorts made with spandex type material can only be worn as supplemental garments underneath other clothing.
- Footwear must always be worn outdoors and around the cabin area. Sneakers or Closed-toed shoes are required for Sports & Games, including the Hike. Slippers or "shower shoes" are required in the bathhouse and in the shower. *Shoes must be worn in the ICC building, except for the Puja Room and Meditation Room. *Shoes must be worn when walking around campgrounds to and from ICC, IHM, and Cabin area. Shoes must be removed for classes held in the IHM building.
- No bare midribs or showing of belly button area, unless wearing Indian attire.
- No sleeveless tops, shirts, or jerseys with large open underarm areas or straps less than 2 inches in width. If necessary, supplemental garments must be worn underneath.
- No pieces of clothing with intentional holes and rips during pujas and special programs. If necessary, supplemental garments must be worn underneath.
- No articles of clothing that display inappropriate wording or symbols (i.e., about illegal substances, sexuality, weapons etc.)

The primary responsibility for a camper's attire lies with the camper and their respective guardians. The camp is responsible for seeing that attire does not interfere with the health or safety of any camper, or their uninhibited participation, and that camper dress does not contribute to a hostile or intimidating atmosphere for any camper or staff.