

Whobodies Clothing Policy

For Students & Adults

Whobodies are called to respect the community where we are serving this summer! Because of this, we ask that you recognize that your words, actions and appearance during your week away contribute to the way we present ourselves to a community. Choosing modest clothing helps to avoid distractions in our representation of Christ. We ask that you choose apparel consistent with the following guidelines. We appreciate your help in creating a safe, respectful, distraction-free environment for your mission experience.

Please Bring:

Loose-Fitting Clothing

During the week your clothes may endure mud, sweat, paint, manure and lots of love! Bring clothes that you can work and play hard in.

Closed-Foot Shoes

To prevent injury, you need to bring a pair of shoes that completely cover your foot. Bring shoes that you don't mind getting dirty or wet at work sites and that you can wear in the kitchen. No plastic shoes (e.g., crocs).

One-Piece Swimsuits

Please choose modest swimsuits for swimming activities. If you do not bring a one-piece swimsuit for swimming, you will be asked to wear a t-shirt cover-up.

Mid-Thigh (or Longer) Shorts/Pants

You will bend, twist, sit, climb and crawl as you love and serve the people that you meet. Short shorts will only get shorter with these activities. A good measure is to let your arms fall to your side--if your fingers touch bare skin, bring a longer pair of shorts. Capri pants are always a safe choice.

Please Don't Bring:

Apparel That Distracts, including...

- Tank tops or sleeveless shirts
- Short shorts
- Clothing that reveals undergarments
- Clothing that reveals midriffs or chests

Apparel That...

- Includes obscene, vulgar, abusive or discriminatory language or images
- Advertises or promotes alcohol, tobacco, chemical or other products illegal for use by minors
- Represents hate groups, is gang-related, or contains threatening language

Why Not?

We represent Christ in the communities that we serve. These "prohibited" clothing items often work against, not for, our efforts to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus. This distracting apparel can be disrespectful and damaging to our long-term relationship-building within a community.

We don't want to be the "clothing police" and we know that you don't want us to be, either. We ask that you to respect this clothing policy and follow it. Whobodies Counselors and Adult Leaders will enforce the policy by asking you to change your clothing if it is believed to be a distraction.