



ACADEMICS PLUS CHARTER SCHOOL

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SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

This policy has been designed to uphold a standard that is both non-distracting and easily enforced. Academics Plus Charter School believes standards of school dress can influence pupil behavior and enhance a school's learning environment. As a result, the uniform policy of Academics Plus Charter School is strictly enforced from 8:00 am when school begins until 3:45 pm for Elementary School and 4:00 pm for 7 – 12 grades when school ends. This policy will also be enforced at all school sponsored activities. This policy provides school administrators, teachers, and parents with clear expectations regarding acceptable and appropriate apparel and appearance so that rules of dress and discipline can be enforced consistently. All required components must meet the dress code. Students may not “enhance” or add to the required uniform. Uniforms can be ordered through the Falcon Book Store or purchased at Wal-Mart, Kmart, Target, JC Penney, Sears, Burlington Coat Factory or other specialty stores.

Students are to come to school neatly groomed and appropriately dressed for all occasions. All clothes should be clean and free of holes and/or tears. Dress code checks will be conducted by each 1st and 2nd period teacher's classes. Random checks will occur on a regular basis by administrators, staff, and faculty.

Both male and female students are treated equally. Students will adhere to the following guidelines for all students in grades K-12.

BELTS

- Belts are required for all garments that have belt loops in grades 3 – 12.
- Black or Brown Belts only. No electronic, design or ornamental belts or belt buckles (spikes, bullets, metals, etc.).
- Shirts must be tucked into pants, skirts, shorts or skorts at all times.

COATS & JACKETS

- Solid Navy blue blazers (This is optional although some sponsors may require the blazers for certain programs such as Choir, Quiz Bowl, etc.).
- Approved School Jackets and non-hooded sweatshirts may be worn. These items may be ordered from the Falcon Book Store.
- NO HOODIES.

HAIR

- Hair is to be clean, neatly groomed, and styled in a manner that is not distracting. For young men, hair length may not extend past the top part of student's shirt collar. Students may not dye or paint their hair unnatural colors, such as blue, purple, green or hot pink. It is not to have designs, numbers, or words cut or dyed in it.

HATS

- No hats allowed.
- No headscarves or bandanas.

HEADBANDS AND BOWS

- Headbands and Bows may be worn (navy or white only).

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JEWELRY

- Watches must be conservative, non-distracting and worn around the wrist. Necklaces may be worn if concealed under a collar or undershirt. Earrings may be worn but must consist of one small spherical, conservative, diamond, gold, white pearl, or silver pierced stud. Matching earrings must be worn and should fit tightly without extending below the earlobe. Nose, eyebrow, tongue or any other body part pierced jewelry is unacceptable for School. The School retains the right to ask that unauthorized jewelry be removed and held in the Administrator's office until the end of the School day. Upon the second offense, the jewelry may not be returned immediately and will require parental pick-up. Rings, no more than one ring per hand, may be worn as long as the ring is not distracting. These include class rings, purity rings, Masonic rings, etc.

MAKEUP

- Makeup may be worn as long as it is not excessive (i.e. glitter is excessive during the daytime.)

NAIL POLISH

- Only clear nail polish may be worn.

PANTS

- Twill beige khaki pants worn at the natural waist level. Deviations from the specified uniform colors are not acceptable. For example, khaki cannot have substitutions of cement, tan, brown, etc.
- Either straight leg, cuffed or flared pants permitted (no cargo pants).
- All pants are to be appropriately sized, neither too tight nor oversized.
- Sweatpants or jogging pants are not allowed on campus.
- No blue jeans.
- No pants with holes or tears.

SHAVING

- Students may not wear mustaches or beards and must be cleanly shaven. Sideburns must not extend below the bottom of the ear and may not flare at the bottom.

SHIRTS

- Long or short sleeved solid white dress (oxford) shirts or plain white or navy blue polo shirts.
- Approved Academics Plus tee shirts/sweatshirts are allowed only on Fridays.
- An undershirt must be worn under the School dress shirt, it must be solid white only, and the sleeves, if any, must not extend below the School shirt.

SHOES

- Enclosed primarily black, solid white or solid brown shoes are allowed. No multi-colored shoes. No open toe or open heel shoes. All laces must be tied.
- No house shoes, Crocs, chunky heels, Heely's, sandals, or flip flops.
- Boots are not permitted.
- Rain boots are not permitted.

SKIRTS/SKORTS/SHORTS

- Twill beige khaki worn at the natural waist level. Deviations from the specified uniform colors are not acceptable. For example, khaki cannot have substitutions of cement, tan, brown, etc.
- No CARGO shorts permitted.
- Length: Skirts, skorts, or shorts must touch the ground when kneeling.
- All are to be appropriately sized, neither tight or oversized.



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SOCKS

- Solid black, white, brown or navy anklets, athletic or knee socks are allowed.
- Socks must be worn with school uniforms.
- Appropriate hosiery may be worn. Tights may be worn in either solid white or solid brown.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- On special days/events (Spirit Week/Homecoming, Red Ribbon Week, Field Trips or other designated events) the Principal may designate special attire.

SUNGLASSES

- Sunglasses are not permitted to be worn inside the school building unless required by an attending physician.

SWEATERS

- Navy Cardigans. (Optional).

TATOOS

- All tattoos must be covered while on campus or at school related events.

TIES

- Ties are to be worn on Game Days for any team member. Ties are to be worn to and from sporting events at the discretion of the Coach.
- Ties are to be worn during competitions, meets and at various times when students are representing Academics Plus Charter School.
- Other than the two previous events ties are optional during the school day.
- Standardized design will be chosen by Administration.

Administration shall be authorized to appraise any fashion, fad, hair, jewelry or article of clothing deemed inappropriate for school wear or disruptive to the education process or safety of the campus.

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