



# Cornerstone Academy Uniform Policy

School Colors: Navy Blue, Gray and White/Khaki

## Uniform Policy Procedures and Guidelines

### 1. Dress and Grooming

- While fashion changes, the reason for being in the Academy does not. Students are in the Academy to learn. Any fashion (dress, accessory, hairstyle, etc.) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted. Personal expression is permitted within these general guidelines. Students are required to wear the Academy uniform every day.
- The Academy colors are solid khaki, navy blue, or gray for bottoms and solid gray, white or navy blue for tops. **Students may not wear neon or any other color that is not part of the Cornerstone Academy approved color scheme listed above.**

### 2. Exceptions to the Uniform Policy

- If a class is conducting an activity that requires special attire, the teacher will seek prior approval from the administration. The teacher will then contact parents/guardians in writing regarding the event and type of attire permissible in advance of the event.
- If any type of clothing worn in the building leads to confusion or misunderstanding, the administration will make the final decision as to the appropriateness of the clothing. The administration reserves the right to exercise discretion concerning individual physical needs, i.e. weight, height, physical issues, etc.
- Procedures for Dress Code Violations:
  - **First Offense:** Student is sent to the Principal and/or the front office to change (if clothes are available) and parents are notified. If the dress code issue cannot be resolved during that school day, the students will be in ASP for the remainder of the school day.
  - **Second Offense:** 1 day ASP    **Third Offense:** 2 days ASP    **Fourth Offense:** 3 days ASP
  - **Habitual borrowers** will serve an ASP when borrowing items from the school. Any student borrowing items from the school four or more times will be considered a **habitual borrower**.

### 3. Non-Permitted Items on Dress Down Days

- Clothing that is disruptive to the educational process.
- Cut-off tops, half shirts, mesh shirts, open or 'cold shoulder' tops, tank tops, spaghetti straps, short shorts, short skirts, pants with holes or frayed areas that show skin.
- Items of clothing that contain profanity, suggestive comments, or obscenities.
- Clothes which advertise or advocate drug or alcohol use.
- No open-toed shoes are permitted. Shoes must be worn at all times.
- No hats may be worn within the building.
- Clothing must cover all tattoos. Body piercing is unacceptable; single post ear piercing is allowed.

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### **Tops:**

- Must be **solid navy blue, gray or white. No neon colors.**
- Must have a **collar**, except for t-shirts on PE days.
- Must be tucked in at all times.
- Must not have any sequins, glitter, patterns, stripes, plaids, metallic materials or sheen.
- Must be either short,  $\frac{3}{4}$  or long sleeve.
- **Prohibited: Spaghetti straps, tank tops, sleeveless, oversized, open or “cold” shoulder tops.**

### **Bottoms:**

- Must be **solid navy blue, gray or khaki. No neon colors.**
- Must be at or below the knee for girl’s skirts, shorts and jumpers.
- Must be in good condition, without visible wear/rips on the knees and hem.
- Long pants **are required** during the months of December-February. Please refrain from dressing in shorts or capri pants during the frigid winter months. Skirts, skorts or dresses may be worn with leggings or tights.
- **Prohibited: Torn, battered or oversized pants, no denim material. Leggings may ONLY be worn under skirts, dresses, skorts or shorts and are not acceptable attire alone.**

### **Outerwear worn in the classrooms:**

- Must be school appropriate: cardigans, sweaters or sweatshirts in **solid navy blue, gray or white.**
- A collared shirt **must** be worn with sweaters or sweatshirts **except** on PE days.
- **Prohibited: hoodies, sweatshirts with graphic designs, sweaters with sequins, glitter or jewels, coats/jackets.**

### **Shoes:**

- Must be non-skid, non-marking soles.
- Acceptable choices: brown, black or navy blue dress shoes or boots, navy blue, black, gray or white tennis shoes.
- Tennis shoes required for PE class.
- Shoe laces must be **solid navy blue, brown, black or white.**
- **Prohibited: flip flops, wheelies, open toed sandals or CROCS, cleats and ballet-type slippers (no soles), winter/outdoor boots. No patterns, prints, sparkles, lights, sequins, neon or metallic colors. Winter boots may be worn to school when weather dictates however appropriate school shoes must be changed into upon arrival. UGG, Bearpaw, North Face style boots are acceptable in school colors only.**

### **Accessories:**

- Belts: Not required, however, if worn must be brown or black.
- Socks/Tights/Leg Socks: **Solid navy blue, gray, white or black.**
- Hijabs/Head Coverings: **Solid navy blue, gray, white or black.**
- Scarves and Hair Accessories (bows, barrettes, headbands, etc.): **Solid navy blue, gray, white or black.**
- Ties and Bowties: Not required, however, if worn must be **Solid navy blue or gray.**
- **Prohibited: Bandanas (any color), studded belts, chains, patterned socks/tights/leg socks/hijabs/scarves, facial or disruptive jewelry, exposed tattoos, non-prescription glasses including sunglasses/decorative eyewear. Hair must be a natural color. No excessive makeup. No large hair bows. No neon or metallic colors.**

### **PE Uniform:**

- **Solid navy blue, gray and/or white t-shirts or sweatshirts**
- **Solid navy blue or gray shorts/sweatpants**
- **White, navy blue or gray tennis shoes**
- **Prohibited: t-shirts, shorts or sweat pants/shirts with writing, logos or designs, neon colors or striping.**

**Academy Gear may be purchased through the Cornerstone Academy PTO and worn at any time. Dress Down Days are optional and require paying \$1.00 to participate. Please follow the Dress Down guidelines.**