

Uniform Policy

Archway Classical Academy | Glendale has a primary objective of developing a "community of learners," dedicated to the highest standards of academics and deportment. As such, a distinctive uniform is a unifying factor within our school community. It is also a visible signature of our school to the larger community, an indicator of our unity and of our pride of purpose. This is one of the most important functions of a uniform: it identifies its wearer as part of a distinctive group with a distinctive purpose. It is a reminder to its wearer of that purpose and of one's responsibility to that group.

The uniform is the basis of a dress code that reflects the nobility and seriousness of our mission. Our students should dress their best, look their best, and do their best. All clothing must be clean, neat, reasonably pressed, and in properly fitting condition. If a child is deemed to be wearing inappropriate attire, the parent will be notified and a change of clothing may be required for attendance that day. If in doubt about the appropriateness of an article of clothing, check with the school office before purchasing. Good judgment exercised at home will be a learning activity for the child that will help to avoid embarrassment or wasted time at school. Decisions about the appropriateness of apparel may be referred to the Headmaster, whose judgment will be final. The Headmaster may make specific exceptions to the dress code, as demanded by particular religious customs; parents should address specific concerns to the school administration before the first week of school.

Our desire is not to squash students' individuality, but to secure their commitment to scholarship and character development, goals that can potentially be obscured by a focus on the latest trends or fads. We ask not only for the student's commitment to this concept, but for the parents' commitment as well. The uniform and dress code of Archway Classical Academy | Glendale support and reinforce our academic goals. The uniform assists us in staying focused on the true individuality offered by healthy dialogue and the development of the life of the mind for each student.

Students must stay in uniform whenever they are on campus (including the parking lot) during a school day. This means arriving on campus *fully* in uniform and leaving campus *fully* in uniform (correct shoes, shirts tucked in, etc.). Students may only change out of uniform after school with permission from a faculty member to participate in an approved curricular or extracurricular activity that requires an immediate change of dress.

Purchasing Note: Some of the components of the uniform will need to be purchased from Anton Uniforms; other items may be purchased from any vendor. Please see the note under each item.

Required Student Uniforms, Page 1

Polo Shirt: Girls and Boys

Style: With logo – short sleeve or long sleeve

Polo shirts being worn under a jumper are not required to have a logo.

Color: Light blue or white ONLY

Fit: Shirt must always remain tucked in.

Vendor: Anton Uniforms

Jumper: K – 2 Girls **Color:** Navy blue

Length: The hem may be no higher than just above the knee, both in front and in back. The hem should be within two inches of the ground when kneeling on a level surface. DARK spandex tight-fitting shorts must be worn under the jumper.

Shirt: Jumpers may be worn with a short-sleeve or long- sleeve Peter Pan collared white shirt (recommended) or the uniform polo shirt.

Vendor: Any, as long as jumpers are indistinguishable from the Anton Uniform jumpers.

Skirts: 3 - 5 Girls **Color:** Navy blue

Length: The skirt hem may be no higher than just above the knee, both in front and in back. Skirt hem should be within two inches of the ground when properly adjusted at the waist and kneeling on a level surface. Skirts must be worn at the waist. DARK spandex tight-fitting shorts <u>must</u> be worn under the skirt

Vendor: Any, as long as skirts are indistinguishable from the Anton Uniform skirts.

Capris: Girls

Time Restriction: Capris are allowed during the 1st and 4th quarters only.

Color: Navy blue

Style: Flat front capris, no pleats, with belt loops and a solid, dark belt – (<u>Belts are not required for kindergarten or 1st grade.)</u>

Fit: No excessively baggy or tight-fitting capris will be permitted. Capris should be worn at the waist with no undergarments visible.

Vendor: Any

Pants: Girls and Boys **Color:** Navy blue

Style: Flat front dress pants, no jeans or cargo pants, with belt loops and a solid, dark belt – (Belts are not required for kindergarten or 1^{st} grade.)

Fit: Pants should reach the shoe but not drag on the ground. No excessively baggy or tight-fitting pants will be permitted. Pants should be worn at the waist with no undergarments visible.

Vendor: Any, as long as pants are indistinguishable from the Anton Uniform pants.

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Shorts: Girls and Boys

Time Restriction: Shorts are allowed during the 1st and 4th quarters only.

Color: Navy blue

Style: Flat front walking shorts, no cargo shorts, with belt loops and a solid, dark belt – (Belts are not

required for kindergarten or 1st grade.)

Length: Shorts should fall mid-thigh and not be longer than the knee.

Fit: No excessively baggy or tight-fitting shorts will be permitted. Shorts should be worn at the waist

with no undergarments visible.

Vendor: Any, as long as shorts are indistinguishable from the Anton Uniform shorts.

Shoes: Girls and Boys

Color: Solid black (see Guidelines for Uniform Shoes document for more information)

Style: Athletic (tennis, Keds) or dress shoes, close-toed and close-heeled; no sandals or flip flops -

(Athetic shoes are preferred.)

PE: All-black athletics shoes are required for PE.

Socks, Tights or Leggings: Girls

Color: Solid black, navy blue, or white

Style: Opaque knit knee-high, ankle socks, tights, or leggings (must reach the ankle)

Socks: Boys

Color: Solid black, navy blue, or white **Style:** Ankle, crew or long cotton knit socks

Sweater: Girls and Boys **Color:** Navy with school logo

Style: V-neck cardigan – button front

Vendor: Anton Uniforms

Fleece Sweatshirt: Girls and Boys Color: Navy with school logo

Style: ¼ zip pullover Vendor: Anton Uniforms

Outerwear: Girls and Boys

Sweaters and fleece sweatshirts from Anton Uniforms are the preferred choice. Other jackets may be worn to school for warmth but must be free pop-culture references and may only be worn before and after school and during recess.

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Hair, Jewelry and Makeup

Hair: Girls and Boys

Girls: Hair should be neatly combed or styled. Small and neat bows, barrettes, headbands, and hair ties are permissible so long as they coordinate with the uniform. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color and cut (no bleaching or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no artificial jet-black coloring and no unnatural colors). Accommodations for religious reasons are permitted.

Boys: Hair should be neatly combed or styled. Hair must be above the top of the shirt collar. Hair should be styled so that it does not fall below the eyebrows or past the mid-point of the ear. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color and cut (no bleaching or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no artificial jet-black coloring and no unnatural colors). Accommodations for religious reasons are permitted.

Jewelry: Girls and Boys

Girls: May wear small studded earrings and one analog watch. No loops or dangling earrings are permitted. No other body piercings are permitted. Bracelets, rings or necklaces are not permitted unless for religious reasons.

Boys: May wear one watch, but it may not be a smart watch. No earrings are permitted. No other body piercings are permitted. Bracelets, rings or necklaces are not permitted unless for religious reasons.

Makeup: No makeup is permitted

Girls only: May wear light pink or clear nail polish

Accessories/Additional: Girls and Boys

Hats and sunglasses may be worn outside but must be removed while inside.

Skin should be free of ink drawings or painting of any kind. Students should not draw on themselves or on others.