



American Preparatory A C A D E M Y

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Early Learning Center UNIFORM GUIDE

AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Students must adhere to the APA dress code before, during, and after school while on campus, as well as during school field trips. School administration has final discretion regarding uniform compliance. Students will not be allowed to attend class if they are out of uniform. Style guides are provided so parents know what item meets the uniform guidelines. If a parent finds an item similar to the sale guide example it is acceptable. Parents may purchase items from any vendor.

Official APA Nametags are to be worn on the right side EVERY DAY

-Seniors may wear their senior sweaters with their name embroidered

<u>General</u>

- 1. <u>All clothing must be clean and in good repair (without holes)</u>.
- 2. <u>Tattoos</u> are discouraged and must not be visible when wearing the school uniform.
- 3. We recommend you label all clothing with your child's name.

Head and Neck

- 4. <u>Hats</u> may not be worn in the building. Hats are allowed for warmth or shade during outside recess or during a school activity that requires hats.
- 5. <u>Hair</u> should be clean and well groomed. Hair may be any length as long as it is not a distracting style or color or covering the eyes or face. Hair that is an unnatural color or extreme styling is distracting and not allowed. For boys, if the hair is below the collar it must be pulled back in a hair tie. For boys or girls, hair must be trimmed or pulled back in a hair tie if it is in the eyes. Faux hawks must be shorter than 1" and of graduated height from the other hair. <u>No</u> mohawks.
- 6. <u>Hair Accessories</u> or extensions may be worn in girls' hair if they are appropriate in size and color. Appropriate hair accessory colors include black, navy, red, or white and must be solid in color, or in plaid. **Religious headdress is allowed in accordance with these APA standards for size and color.**
- 7. <u>Piercing shall be limited to girls with one piercing **in ears only**. Gauges are not allowed.</u>
- 8. Jewelry should be limited to items that do not distract or present a safety hazard. Some items that distract: large earrings, multiple bracelets or large bangles, necklaces that are large and/or worn over the shirt/tie.

Upper Body

- 1. <u>Undergarments (t-shirts, etc.)</u> may be long or short sleeve and must be plain white (no lace or patterns). Undershirts may be navy if worn under navy polo
- 1 shirts. Colored and patterned bras must not be visible through shirts.

- 2. <u>Sweatshirts</u> such as crew neck sweatshirts, hooded pull-over sweatshirt, and hooded zip-up sweatshirts may be worn on Fridays under the following conditions: plain navy or APA logo only, hoods only worn outside.
- Oxford style shirts must be tucked in when worn with pants. Girls may wear blouses un-tucked ONLY over skirts and if the shirt does not extend more than 4" below the sweater. All buttons on dress shirts must be buttoned.
- 4. <u>Logos</u> other than American Preparatory Academy must not be visible on shirts or sweaters. American Preparatory Academy logo items are not required but may be purchased through the school website or school stores.
- 5. <u>Ties</u> must be cinched and pulled tight and <u>cross ties</u> must be snapped or buttoned closed.

Lower Body

- <u>Slacks must fit the following description</u>: Uniform style slacks (no denim or corduroy). Belted, pleated or flat front, long enough to cover top of shoe, short enough to stay off floor when worn with shoes, worn no more than 2" below waist, no cargo pants or outside pockets (patch pockets). Khakis must match color of Dockers or Lee khaki (not stone colored). No tight-fitting slacks (must be able to pinch one inch of fabric in front and back). Slacks may NOT be tapered. Pants may not be skinnier at the ankle than at the knee.
- 2. <u>Leggings or pants</u> may be worn under skirts. Leggings must be black or navy in K-12, with an option of white in K-8, and full-length. **Stockings must come to the bottom of the leggings.**
- 3. Bicycle-type shorts are recommended under skirts for playground activities.

Feet

4. Shoes must always be solid in color with no embellishments or visible patterns. Distracting colors or styles are not approved (even on Fridays). Boots are not allowed for boys.

Logo Items are not required but may be purchased at <u>www.americanprep.org</u> or school store.

Uniform Purchasing and Family Hardship

If parents are undergoing a hardship and need assistance affording the school uniform, APA has several ways to assist.

- Used Uniform Sales FSO parent volunteers run used uniform sales a few times per year where uniform pieces can be purchased at very economical prices
- Used Uniform Closet School administrators have access to a used uniform closet for mid-year needs.

• Hardship Fund - APA has a fund to assist families experiencing hardship. Please contact your school's Administrative Director if you need assistance procuring uniform items.

K-3 GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM

Navy or Plaid Jumper





White Dress Shirt Short or long sleeves Broadcloth or cotton fabric

Broadcloth or cotton fabric White or clear buttons Example: French Toast Short Sleeve Peter Pan Blouse (Feminine Fit) Item# 1461G

White Polo Shirt White or clear buttons Short or long sleeves Example: French Toast Short Sleeve Interlock Knit Polo Item# 1010H



** Jumper or Cardigan must be worn over white polo shirt or dress shirt

K-3 GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM



Plaid or Navy Jumper

Round or V-neck plaid jumper Jumper should be to the knee when standing or sitting Example: French Toast V-Neck Pleated Plaid Jumper & V-Neck Pleated Jumper Item# 1047G & 1046G

> Example: French Toast Girls Adjustable Waist Pant Item# 1315B

Navy Slacks* (uniform style)

Cargo, denim, tight-fitting, or corduroy pants are not allowed. Navy uniform style pants only. No outside pockets, no tapering from knee to ankle, no skinny pants.



Example: French Toast Adjustable Waist Pleated Pant Item# 1522B



Navy Sweater

Cardigan style Logo sweater available at <u>www.americanprep.org</u> or school store.

Plain example: French Toast Anti-Pill Crew Neck Cardigan & V-Neck Sweater Item# 1371G & 1029H

Socks

Plain navy or white (knee-high or tights) Example: Cookie's Kids Blue Heaven Cable Knee Socks Item# BHH01235

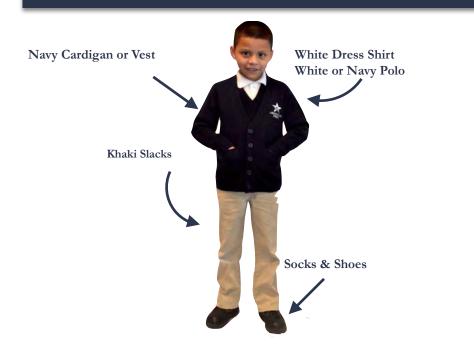


Shoes

Solid color black athletic or dress shoes with nonmarking soles. Boots-- ONLY October thru April 1st, or black boots; low heels; optional - bring P.E. shoes. Shoelaces must match shoe color. Example: Cookie's Kids

Easy Ŝtrider Girls "Swoop Stitch" Mary Janes Item# MAS01376

K-3 GRADE BOYS UNIFORM



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Khaki Slacks (uniform style)

Pants may not be stone colored, cargo pants, denim, baggy, tightfitting, or corduroy. Khaki uniform style only. No sewn outside pockets.

Example: French Toast Young Mens University Pant Item# 1558Y

Navy Sweater Vest or Sweater

Sweater vests or sweaters are optional but must be worn over white shirts at all times unless permission is given by a teacher to remove the sweater at school. Cardigan or pullover style may be worn if the student prefers but cardigan **must be buttoned at all times**. **Example: French Toast Anti-Pill Crew Neck Cardigan & V-Neck Sweater Item# 1370F & 1029H**





White Dress Shirt

Broadcloth or cotton fabric with button down collar White or clear buttons Short or long sleeves Example: French Toast Short Sleeve Oxford Shirt Item# 1020F

White or Navy Polo

White or clear buttons Plain or APA Logo Short or long sleeves **APA Navy Logo polo available at** www.americanprep.org or school store.

Plain polo example: French Toast Short Sleeve Interlock Knit Polo Item# 1010H





Shoes

Solid color black athletic or dress shoes with nonmarking soles; optional - bring P.E. shoes. Shoelaces must match shoe color. Example: French Toast Comfort Shoe With Action Sole (Cole) Item# 2522Z

Socks Plain brown, black, white, navy, or tan Example: Cookie's Kids Classic Dress Socks Item# SOC01237



ELEMENTARY POLO FRIDAY



Options:

Boys & Girls Navy Polo Shirt

Polo-style shirt must be dark navy with white or clear buttons. No logo required. APA logo polo shirt may be purchased from APA.

Girls Khaki Slacks or Skirt

Girls K-6th grade may choose to wear khaki slacks or skirts with the navy polos on Fridays. No sewn outside pockets (cargo pants) or skinny pants. **Shoes**

4-6 grade girls and boys may wear solid color athletic shoe.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Our Dress Code is based on our belief that uniforms:

- 1. Decrease distractions in the learning environment
- 2. Increase respect for learning (students, parents, staff)
- 3. Increase respect for students (staff, parents, public)
- 4. Simplify school readiness on a daily basis for parents and students
- 5. Prepare students for future success by teaching them professional dress

American Preparatory Academy UNIFORMS



VEST W/WHITE STAR LOGO \$25 K-6



ROUND NECK CARDIGAN \$30 Girls K-3



V-NECK CARDIGAN W/ STAR LOGO \$30 K-6



VEST W/ CREST LOGO \$25 Grades 7-12



CARDIGAN W/CREST LOGO Grades 7-12



POLO WITH STAR LOGO \$15 All Students

***Logo items are not required

Items may be purchased at: <u>americanprep.org</u> or school stores

WE'VE GOT SPIRIT WEAR, HOW 'BOUT YOU?

ORDER UNIFORM APPAREL AND SPIRIT WEAR ONLINE ANYTIME AT **AMERICANPREP.ORG/STORE**



Spirit wear may be worn on designated spirit days. Order online at **www.americanprep.org/store**

PURCHASING INFORMATION

Uniform items may be purchased from the following stores.

American Preparatory Academy

www.americanprep.org or the school store Logo Polo, Logo Sweaters, Crested Sweaters Spirit Wear High School Girls Grey Skirt Crest for Navy Blazer Secondary PE/Dance Uniform High School Ties

True Value Family Stores

www.familystoresschooluniforms.com 4860 South Redwood Rd. Navy Blazer with American Prep's crest (only this vendor includes blazer w/crest) White and Light Blue Dress Shirt Plaid Skirts Khaki Dress Pants Plaid Skirts Navy Cardigans & Vests Ties Dress Socks Girls Tights Dress Shoes Belts

Cookies Kids

www.cookieskids.com High School Girls Navy Slacks *item#BJS01279* White and Light Blue Dress Shirt Plaid Skirts Khaki Dress Pants Plaid Skirts Khaki Skirts Navy Cardigans & Vests Ties Dress Socks Girls Tights Dress Shoes Belts

Old Navy

www.oldnavy.com High School Boys Grey Slacks item#435313

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Uniform items may be purchased from the following stores.

French Toast Uniform

www.frenchtoast.com White and Light Blue Dress Shirt Plaid Skirts Khaki Dress Pants Plaid Skirts Khaki Skirts Navy Cardigans & Vests Ties Dress Socks Girls Tights Dress Shoes Belts

Dennis Uniform

www.dennisuniform.com 3560 Main Street Navy Blazer (crest not included but may be purchased at APA and applied) White and Light Blue Dress Shirt Plaid Skirts Khaki Dress Pants Plaid Skirts Navy Cardigans & Vests Ties Dress Socks Girls Tights Dress Shoes Belts

Lands End

www.landsend.com Navy Blazer (crest not included but may be purchased at APA and applied) White and Light Blue Dress Shirt Plaid Skirts Khaki Dress Pants Plaid Skirts Khaki Skirts Navy Cardigans & Vests Ties Dress Socks Girls Tights Dress Shoes Belts