



AMERICAN PREPARATORY  
ACADEMY

**7th Grade - 12th Grade**

UNIFORM GUIDE

2023-2024

# 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 that complies with the guide description 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

## **General**

1. All clothing must be clean and in good repair (without holes).
2. We recommend you label all clothing with your child's name.
3. Permanent or temporary tattoos, body art, colored or designed adhesives on visible skin surfaces are not allowed.
4. Short fingernails to allow for proper participation in all academic activities are required of all students.

## **Head and Neck**

5. Hats 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.
6. Hair 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 or girls, hair must be trimmed or pulled back in a hair tie if it is in the eyes, covering the face or otherwise distracting. Faux hawks must be shorter than 3" and of graduated height from the other hair. **No mohawks.**
7. Hair extensions may be worn in girls' hair if they align with natural hair color and dimensions. 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.**
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.
9. Piercings are limited to one piercing in ears only. Gauges are not allowed.

## **Upper Body**

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

2. No sweatshirts may be worn. This includes on Fridays. Cardigans should be used for warmth when needed. See spirit day guidelines for more info.
3. 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. Logos 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. Ties must be cinched and pulled tight and cross ties must be snapped or buttoned closed.

### **Lower Body**

1. Skirts must be to the knee - touching the calf when knee is bent to 90 degrees.
2. Slacks must fit the following description: 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 Leekhaki (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.**
3. Leggings or pants may be worn under skirts. Leggings must be black or navy, without holes and full-length. **Stockings must come to the bottom of the leggings.**
4. Bicycle-type shorts are recommended under skirts.

### **Feet**

1. Black, solid -colored shoes are required. 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 [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) 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
- Administrator's Uniform Closet - School administrators have access to a uniform closet for special 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.

# 7-8 GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM



**White or Blue Dress Shirt**  
 Short or long sleeves  
 Broadcloth or cotton fabric with button down collar  
 White or clear buttons  
**Example: French Toast**  
**Short Sleeve Peter Pan Blouse (Feminine Fit)**  
**Item# 1461G**

## Skirts

Skirt must come to the knee when standing or sitting



**Example:**  
**French Toast**  
**Kick Pleat Skirt**  
**Item# 1268G**



**Example:**  
**Lands End**  
**School Uniform Girls**  
**Plaid Pleated Skort**  
**Top of Knee**  
**Item# 458605BP2**



**Example:**  
**French Toast**  
**Pleated Skirt**  
**Item# 1066G**



**Example:**  
**French Toast**  
**Plaid Pleated Skirt**  
**Item# 1065G**

# 7-8 GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM



## Navy Blazer

Navy blazers with gold buttons may be worn in place of sweaters. Blazers must have the APA Crest sewn on left side. True Value carries the blazer with crest, or crest patches can be purchased from APA and applied to blazer (parent responsibility to have crest applied).

**Blazers with crests can be purchased at True Value in WVC**

**Example:**  
**French Toast**  
**Classic School Blazer**  
**Item# 1945G**

## Khaki Slacks (uniform style)

Pants may not be stone colored. Cargo, denim, tight-fitting, or corduroy pants are not allowed. Khaki uniform style pants only. No outside pockets, no tapering from knee to ankle, no skinny pants. **Example: French Toast**

**Straight Leg Twill Pant**  
**Item# 1573G**



## Navy Sweater Vest or Sweater

Sweater vests or sweaters should be worn over white shirts at all times unless permission is given by a teacher to remove the sweater. Cardigan or pullover style may be worn but cardigans **must be buttoned at all times**. **Crest Sweater available at [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or at the school store.**

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

## Plaid or Navy Tie

Plaid tie must be worn with plaid skirt

Navy tie must be worn with khaki pants/skirt

**Example: Cookie's Kids**

**Cookie's Brand Adjustable Neck Tie**  
**Item# SBR01233**



## Socks

Plain navy or white (short, knee-high, or tights)

**Example: Cookie's Kids**  
**Blue Heaven Cable Knee Socks**  
**Item# BHH01235**

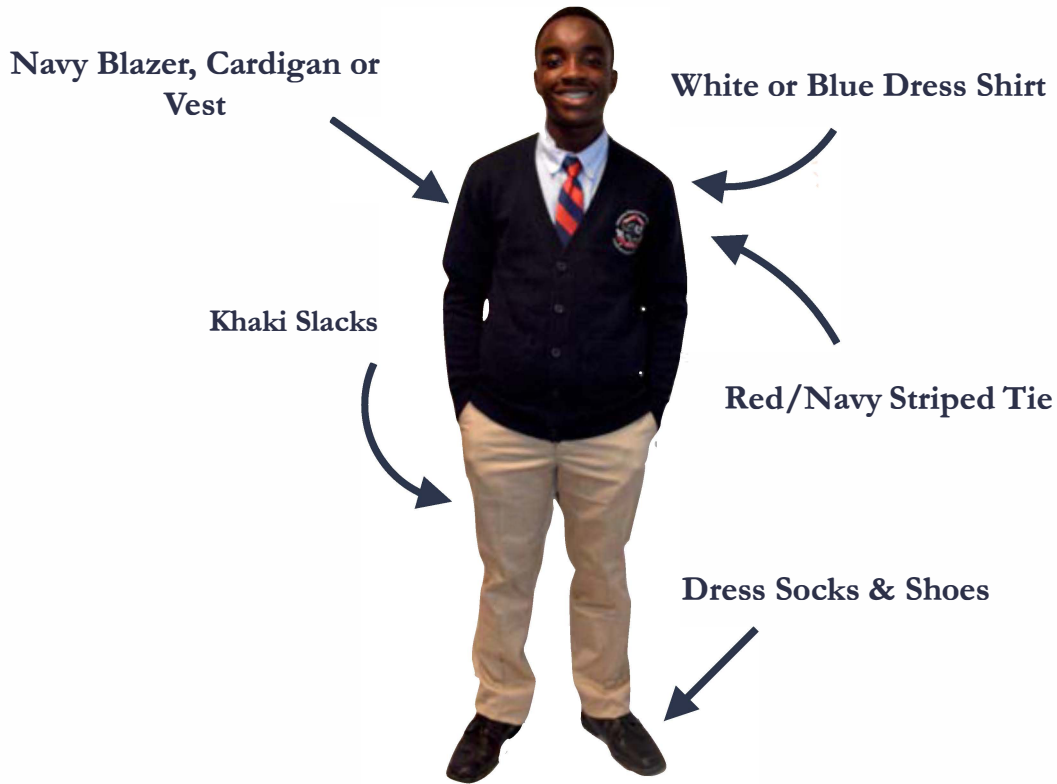
## Shoes

All black shoes. No high-tops, no ankle boots, no boots. Shoes must not come above the bottom of the ankles. No adornments (rhinestones, fur, feathers, etc.). Shoe Upper and Sole must be all black. Heels no higher than 1.5".

**Example: Cookie's Kids**  
**"Dara" Flats**  
**Item# LTG02578**



# 7-8 GRADE BOYS UNIFORM



## White or Blue Dress Shirt

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

## Khaki Slacks (uniform style)

Pants may not be stone colored. Cargo, denim, baggy, tight-fitting, or corduroy pants are not allowed. Khaki uniform style pants only. Not sewn outside pockets.  
**Example: French Toast Young Mens University Pant**  
**Item# 1558Y**



## Red/Navy Long Tie or Bow Tie

Tie, zip, or clip on ties are acceptable.  
**Example: True Value**



# 7-8 GRADE BOYS UNIFORM



## Navy Blazer

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## Navy Sweater Vest or Sweater

Sweater vests or sweaters should be worn over white/blue shirts at all times unless permission is given by a teacher to remove the sweater. Cardigan or pullover style may be worn if the student prefers but cardigan **must be buttoned at all times**.



Crest sweaters available at [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or at the school store.

Plain sweater example: French Toast Crew Neck Cardigan & V-Neck Sweater  
Item# 1370F & 1029H



## Shoes

All black shoes. No high-tops, no ankle boots, no boots. Shoes must not come above the bottom of the ankles. No adornments (rhinestones, fur, feathers, etc.). Shoe Upper and Sole must be all black.

**Example: Cookie's Kids Jordano Collection Boys' "Groove Panel" Dress Shoe**  
Item# ANG01303

## Belt

Black only, without decoration  
**Example: French Toast Nautica "Hyannis" Belt**  
Item# RND01243



## Socks

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

# 9-12TH GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM



## White or Blue Shirt

Short or long sleeve  
 Broadcloth or cotton fabric with button down collar  
 White or clear buttons  
**Example: French Toast**  
**Short Sleeve Peter Pan Blouse (Feminine Fit)**  
**Item# 1461G**

## Grey Skirt

Skirt must come to the knee when standing or sitting  
**Grey Skirt: APA Brand purchased at school. Other brands upon approval from administrators at the school.**



## Navy Striped Full Tie; Navy straight or cross tie

Ties may be purchased at: [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or at the school store.



# 9-12TH GRADE GIRLS UNIFORM



## Navy Dress Slacks

Dress slacks for high school girls need to be full length - to top of the shoe - and may not taper from knee to ankle. Fit should be professional meaning an inch of fabric can be pinched on the outside of the thigh on each leg. Non-cotton fabric preferable.

## Navy Sweater Vest or Cardigan

Sweater vests or sweaters should be worn over white/blue shirts at all times. Cardigan or pullover style may be worn if the student prefers but cardigan **must be buttoned at all times**. Those that have earned letter sweaters or SBO sweaters may wear them in place of their navy sweater. Seniors may also wear their senior sweater in place of their navy sweater.



Crest sweaters available at [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or school store.

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

## Navy Blazer

Navy blazers with gold buttons may be worn in place of sweaters. Blazers must have the APA Crest sewn on left side. True Value carries the blazer with crest, or crest patches can be purchased from APA and applied to blazer (parent responsibility to have crest applied).

**Blazers with crests can be purchased at True Value in WVC**



Example:  
French Toast  
Classic School Blazer  
Item# 1945G

## Socks and Tights

Plain navy or white dress socks (knee-high or tights).

Example: Cookie's Kids  
Blue Heaven Cable Knee Socks  
Item# BHH01235



## Shoes

All black shoes. No high-tops, no ankle boots, no boots. Shoes must not come above the bottom of the ankles. No adornments (rhinestones, fur, feathers, etc.). Shoe Upper and Sole must be all black. Heels no higher than 1.5".

Example: Cookie's Kids  
"Dara" Flats  
Item# LTG02578



# 9-12TH GRADE BOYS UNIFORM



### White or Blue Dress Shirt

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

### Grey Uniform Slacks

These are the **ONLY** boys slacks allowed in grades 9-12.  
 Other slacks that are not these specific brands and styles will not be allowed.

**Example: Old Navy School Uniforms**  
**Loose Ultimate Built-In Flex Khakis for Men**  
 Item# 435313



### Navy Striped Tie

May be purchased at: [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or at the school store.

# 9-12TH GRADE BOYS UNIFORM



## Navy Blazer

Navy blazers with gold buttons may be worn in place of sweaters. Blazers must have the APA Crest sewn on left side. True Value carries the blazer with crest, or crest patches can be purchased from APA and applied to blazer (parent responsibility to have crest applied).

**Blazer and crest can be purchased at True Value in WVC.**

**French Toast  
Classic School Blazer  
Item# 1627F**

## Navy Sweater Vest or Sweater

Sweater vests or sweaters should be worn over white/blue shirts at all times. Cardigan or pullover style may be worn if the student prefers but cardigan **must be buttoned at all times**. Those that have earned letter sweaters or SBO sweaters may wear them in place of their navy sweater. Seniors may also wear their senior sweater in place of their navy sweater.

**Crest sweater available at [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) or the school store.**



**Plain sweater example: French Toast  
Anti-Pill Crew Neck Cardigan & V-Neck Sweater  
Item# 1370F & 1029H**



## Belt

Black only, without decoration

**Example: French Toast  
Nautica “Hyannis” Belt  
Item# RND01243**

## Shoes

All black shoes. No high-tops, no ankle boots, no boots. Shoes must not come above the bottom of the ankles. No adornments (rhinestones, fur, feathers, etc.). Shoe Upper and Sole must be all black.

**Example: Cookie’s Kids  
Jordano Collection Boys’ “Groove Panel” Dress  
Shoe**

**Item# ANG01303**



## Socks

Plain brown, black, white, navy or tan

**Example: Cookie’s Kids  
Classic Dress Socks  
Item# SOC01237**



## Uniform Guidelines en Español

Los estudiantes deben cumplir con el código de vestimenta de la APA antes, durante y después de la escuela mientras estén en el campus, así como durante las excursiones escolares. La administración escolar tiene la discreción final con respecto al cumplimiento del uniforme. Los estudiantes no podrán asistir a clase si no están uniformados. Se proporcionan guías de estilo para que los padres sepan qué artículo cumple con las pautas del uniforme. Si un padre encuentra un artículo similar al ejemplo de la guía de venta, es aceptable. Los padres pueden comprar artículos de cualquier proveedor.

**\*Las etiquetas oficiales de APA deben usarse en el lado derecho TODOS LOS DÍAS\***

### General

1. Toda la ropa debe estar limpia y en buen estado (sin agujeros).
2. Le recomendamos que marque toda la ropa con el nombre de su hijo.
3. Tatuajes permanentes o temporales, arte corporal, adhesivos coloreados o diseñados en No se permiten superficies visibles de la piel.
4. Las uñas cortas para permitir la participación adecuada en todas las actividades académicas son requerido de todos los estudiantes.

### Cabeza y cuello

5. No se pueden usar sombreros en el edificio. Se permiten sombreros para el calor o la sombra durante el recreo al aire libre o durante una actividad escolar que requiera gorras.
6. El cabello debe estar limpio y bien peinado. El cabello puede tener cualquier longitud siempre que sea no un estilo o color que distraiga o que cubra los ojos o la cara. Cabello que no es natural el color o el estilo extremo distrae y no está permitido. Para niños o niñas, el cabello deber ser recortado o tirado hacia atrás con un lazo para el cabello si está en los ojos, cubriendo la cara o de lo contrario, distraer. Los halcones falsos deben ser más cortos que 3" y de altura graduada del otro pelo. Sin mohicanos.
7. Se pueden usar accesorios para el cabello o extensiones en el cabello de las niñas si son apropiados en tamaño y color. Los colores apropiados de accesorios para el cabello incluyen negro, azul marino, rojo o blanco y debe ser de color sólido o a cuadros. Se permite el uso de tocados religiosos de acuerdo con estas normas APA para tamaño y color.
8. La perforación se limitará a una sola perforación en las orejas. No se permiten calibres.
9. Las joyas deben limitarse a artículos que no distraigan o presenten un peligro para la seguridad. Algunos artículos que distraen: aretes grandes, pulseras múltiples o brazaletes grandes, collares que son grandes y/o se usan sobre la camisa/corbata.

### Parte superior del cuerpo

1. La ropa interior (camisetas, etc.) puede ser de manga larga o corta y debe ser sencilla, blanco (sin encaje ni estampados). Las camisetas interiores pueden ser azul marino si se usan debajo de un polo azul marino camisas Los sostenes de colores y estampados no deben ser visibles a través de las camisas.

## **Cuerpo inferior**

1. Niñas: Faldas o jumpers a la rodilla, con mallas o medias hasta la rodilla.
2. Si se usan calzas debajo de faldas o jumpers, las calzas deben ser negras o azul marino y de cuerpo entero sin agujeros. Las medias deben llegar hasta la parte inferior de las polainas.
3. Se recomiendan pantalones cortos de ciclismo debajo de faldas y jerséis para actividades en el patio de recreo.
4. Los pantalones deben ajustarse a la siguiente descripción: Pantalones de estilo uniforme (no de mezclilla o pana). Frente con cinturón, plisado o plano, lo suficientemente largo para cubrir la parte superior del zapato, cortado suficiente como para mantenerse fuera del piso cuando se usa con zapatos, no se usa más de 2" por debajo cintura, sin pantalones cargo o bolsillos exteriores (bolsillos de parche). Los caquis deben combinar color de Dockers o Lee khaki (no color piedra). Nada de pantalones ajustados -debe poder pellizcar una pulgada de tela por delante y por detrás. Los pantalones NO pueden ser elástico Los pantalones no pueden ser más delgados en el tobillo que en la rodilla.

## **Pies**

Zapatos negros sin adornos ni patrones visibles.

No se aprueban colores o estilos que distraigan (incluidos los viernes). Botas no están permitidos para los niños.

Los elementos del logotipo no son obligatorios, pero se pueden comprar en [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) o tienda de la escuela.

## **Compra de uniformes y dificultades familiares**

Si los padres están pasando por dificultades y necesitan ayuda para pagar el uniforme escolar, APA tiene varias formas de ayudar.

- Venta de uniformes usados: los padres voluntarios de FSO organizan ventas de uniformes usados varias veces al año donde se pueden adquirir piezas uniformes a precios muy económicos
- Armario de uniformes del administrador: los administradores escolares tienen acceso a un uniforme armario para necesidades especiales.
- Fondo de Dificultades -APA tiene un fondo para ayudar a las familias que experimentan dificultades. Comuníquese con el director administrativo de su escuela si necesita ayuda para obtener artículos de uniforme.

## SECONDARY 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. Any uniform pant or skirt can be worn with navy polos on Fridays.

## SECONDARY PE UNIFORM



Students in 7th-12th grades must wear the APA PE uniform for PE. The PE uniform may be purchased with the school fees or at the school office. Students must have a PE shirt and PE bottom - shorts or sweat pants. Students may purchase both if desired. Each item is \$10.



# 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

# PURCHASING INFORMATION

*Uniform items may be found at the following stores*

## **American Preparatory Academy Apparel**

*[www.americanprep.org/store](http://www.americanprep.org/store) or at a pop up store*

White and Light Blue Dress Shirts  
Plaid Skirts  
Plaid and Navy Jumpers  
Khaki Dress Pants  
High School Pants  
Navy Cardigans (with and without logo)  
Navy Vests (with and without logo)  
Ties  
Dress Socks  
Spirit Wear  
High School Girls Grey Skirt  
Crest for Navy Blazer  
High School Ties

Contact: [apparel@apamail.org](mailto:apparel@apamail.org)

With questions or if you need assistance

## **True Value Family Stores**

*[www.familystoresschooluniforms.com](http://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

Khaki Skirts

Navy Cardigans & Vests

Ties

Dress Socks

Girls Tights

Dress Shoes

Belts

# PURCHASING INFORMATION

*Uniform items may be found at the following stores.*

## **French Toast Uniform**

*www.frenchtoast.com*

White and Light Blue Dress Shirt  
Plaid Skirts  
Khaki Dress Pants  
Khaki Skirts  
Navy Cardigans & Vests  
Ties  
Dress Socks

## **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  
Khaki Skirts  
Navy Cardigans & Vests  
Ties  
Dress Socks

## **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  
Khaki Skirts  
Navy Cardigans & Vests  
Ties  
Dress Socks  
Girls Tights  
Dress Shoes  
Belts

## **Old Navy**

*www.oldnavy.com*

High School Boys Grey Slacks *item#5532340223030*

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:

[americanprep.org](http://americanprep.org)

or school stores

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ORDER UNIFORM APPAREL AND SPIRIT WEAR  
ONLINE ANYTIME AT [AMERICANPREP.ORG/STORE](http://AMERICANPREP.ORG/STORE)



**Spirit wear may be worn on designated spirit days  
which are the first Friday of each month for  
grades 7-12. Order online at  
[www.americanprep.org/store](http://www.americanprep.org/store)**



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