



ADC - DRESS CODE

In the day-to-day life of Seacoast Classical Academy, we cultivate a positive school culture of virtue, decorum, respect, discipline, and studiousness among both students and employees. Culture maintenance is a daily effort. Our dress code policy assists in this continuous work.

Scholar Dress Code

Seacoast Classical Academy requires that scholars wear uniforms. We believe it is best for scholars to express their individuality through their creativity, interactions, and independent thought, instead of through consumer goods like clothes. Our dress code relieves scholars of clothing decisions, mitigates peer pressures, and promotes a shared culture. When questions about particular details of attire arise, the scholar is expected to follow the spirit of the policy, which is to diminish distractions, show respect, and elevate the tenor of the Academy.

All Seacoast Classical Academy students are expected to be in school uniform during school hours and during all school activities and events unless notified otherwise. Attire is expected to be clean, in good condition, business-like, and properly sized to fit. Scholars shall dress according to the mandatory and optional items listed on the dress-code specifications for boys and girls. The dress code will tend to use colors similar to the colors in the Academy logo. The dress-code specifications will cover the following: shirts, sweaters, cardigans, pants, shorts, belts, skirts, dresses, jumpers, shoes, socks, hosiery, undergarments, outerwear, active wear, hair, and accessories. The dress-code specifications may differ between grades K-5 and the higher grades.

The Principal, with the approval of the Executive Director, shall set and enforce scholar dress-code specifications which the Executive Director shall publish in the family handbook. The Principal may change the specifications at any time by communicating the change to Academy families and staff. Repeated dress-code infractions may result in disciplinary action. Any medical or religious concerns or limitations that might preclude meeting the uniform guidelines should be addressed to the Principal to determine if reasonable accommodations are necessary.

The office will keep a limited inventory of basic uniform items that a scholar may be permitted to wear if the scholar arrives at school not in uniform. Loaned items will be tracked and must be returned in clean, like-new condition. In the event that the office does not have appropriate uniform items for a scholar out of uniform, the scholar must call a parent or guardian to bring the appropriate attire.

Information about the school uniform, including ordering information, can be found on the Academy website. To prevent the dress code from becoming a barrier to enrollment, the Academy will maintain

a uniform-swap collection of garments, and will offer to provide a uniform package to each scholar of families who demonstrate Title-funding eligibility.

Employee Dress Code

A crucial element promoting the success of the dress code policy is the standard set by employees. Dress, grooming, and personal cleanliness standards contribute to the morale of all employees, set a standard for scholars, and affect the image Seacoast Classical Academy Chartered Public School presents to parents and visitors.

During school hours, or when representing Seacoast Classical Academy, employees are expected to present a clean, neat, and professional appearance. Employees should consult the Executive Director if they have questions as to what constitutes appropriate appearance. Reasonable accommodations will be made to persons with disabilities.

The dress code during school hours is business casual as elaborated in the employee dress-code guidelines. Employees are expected to demonstrate good judgment and professional taste.

The Executive Director, in consultation with the Principal, shall specify employee dress-code guidelines and publish them in the employee handbook. The Executive Director may change the guidelines at any time by communicating the change to Academy staff.

Volunteer Attire

Volunteer attire is expected to be safe, modest, and not distracting to scholars and staff. The Principal shall interpret and enforce the volunteer-attire policy. The Executive Director, in consultation with the Principal, may specify volunteer-attire guidelines.

References:

- None

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