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Uniform Policy

Uniforms are an indispensable feature of WIA. In our efforts to maintain an elevated standard of personal appearance, promote a dignified school climate, and foster school pride, we have prepared the following uniform and appearance guidelines.

General Considerations:

- Each component of the uniform must be complied with daily. This includes footwear, socks, shirts with appliques, belts, etc. The WIA school uniform is not negotiable and may not be manipulated to accommodate personal style or interest. No changes are permitted, regardless of temperature or change in weather.
- Uniforms should be neat (i.e. shirts tucked in, etc.) and clean at all times. Parents may purchase solid black items from any vendor as long as they comply with the uniform expectations.
- Hair must be appropriately groomed so as not to cause a disruption or generate unnecessary attention during the school day. Barrettes and other hair accessories must either be red, white, or black.
- Light makeup and light, clear, lip-gloss is permitted.

Jewelry and Accessories (Male and Female Students):

- The only permissible accessories are earrings and watches. Both must be modest in appearance so as to not generate attention or cause a disruption within WIA.
- Solid black belts must be worn with shorts or pants.

Sweaters, Jackets, and Undergarments:

- Students may wear outerwear (jackets and coats) of their own choosing to school. However, only the WIA red or black sweaters are permitted inside of the building. (Please see the note below regarding hoodies.)
- Circumstances may require that students wear additional clothing to insulate themselves. Only close fitting, long-sleeve, plain white or black t-shirts are allowed.

Hoodies (2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR)

- **FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR ONLY:** Students who choose to wear hoodies inside the building may only wear Wesley sanctioned hoodies. Wesley sanctioned hoodies are those purchased at the PTSA school store or are approved by the athletic department.

Confiscated Items:

- Accessories or articles of clothing found in violation of the Dress Code will be confiscated and will only be returned to the parent or guardian.

Statement of Absolute Compliance:

- Absolute compliance with the WIA school uniform is expected. The uniform is not subjective or open to interpretation.

All Students Must Be Appropriately Dressed:

- No open-toed shoes
- No ripped, torn, or see through clothing
- No inappropriate language or images
- No midriff or backless tops
- No biker shorts or leggings as a stand-alone clothing item
- Fingertip length still applies

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Shirts: Gray Short Sleeve or Long Sleeve Knit (Polo) Shirts with NEW heat transferred logo, Wesley spirit shirts (*Note: PYP students can still wear red polos with the OLD logo from our previous vendor. Gray shirts with the OLD logo are for MYP only.)

Shorts: Black Pleated, Fashion Fit, or Flat Front Shorts

Pants: Black Pleated, Fashion Fit, or Flat Front Slacks

Skorts: Black Skort

Skirt: Black or Plaid Skirt available at approved vendor

Sweaters: Black V-Cardigan Sweater with embroidered logo

Spirit Sweatshirts: Black with printed Wesley - This Spirit Wear will be available for purchase at the Wesley school store and can be worn as part of uniforms.

Jackets/Sweatshirts: Black 1/4 Zip Fleece with embroidered logo

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Belts: Solid Black Belt

Socks/Tights: White or Black socks or leggings

Shoes: *Closed toe, comfortable shoes; Shoes must be appropriate for students to safely participate in physical activities (i.e. physical education classes, recess). The following shoes are not permitted: sandals, slides, Crocs, Uggs, slippers, heeries, light up shoes, thigh high boots, etc.*

WIA reserves the right to determine whether certain clothing items, by appearance and style, falls beneath expected appearance standards.

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No Uniform Today (N.U.T.) Pass Day Specifications (All Students):

On N.U.T. pass days, students who have paid \$2.00 may dress according to the following specifications:

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- Bottom – Jeans, pants, or any shorts/skirts of similar length as uniform skirts or shorts (must come to the top of

- the knee cap)
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Arrival and Departure: WIA students must arrive and leave school properly attired.

Hardship: Determinations of hardship will be made on a case-by-case basis. Families who experience hardship may notify WIA in person or in writing. Under certain circumstances, WIA will make efforts to support the particular family in need. However, it remains the responsibility of the family to ensure that students are properly attired each day.

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Official Vendors:

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6311 ROSWELL ROAD NE
SANDY SPRINGS, GA 30328
(404) 260-7584

Wesley uniforms are still available at Prestige Uniforms while supplies last. Prestige Uniforms will adhere patches for a fee. You can order online at <https://prestigemexpress.store/> or in-store at their Greenbriar Mall location:

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