



## Finn Academy Uniform Policy

*At Finn Academy, we believe that an environment focused on learning and scholarship is a requirement of a high performing school. The way a scholar dresses has an impact on the learning environment and should create a positive sense of crew and community. Uniforms create a sense of belonging and puts academics at the center of our work. We believe that scholars can celebrate their individuality through their personality and learning, rather than their outward appearance. Finn Academy has adopted and will enforce the following Dress Code. Should a circumstance arise that is not specifically delineated within this policy, the School Leader shall consider the purpose of this policy and decide the best course of enforcement accordingly. Decisions made by the School Leader related to enforcement of the school Dress Code are final.*

### TOPS: Long Sleeve Polos, Short Sleeve Polos, Dress Shirts, Cardigans and Finn Wear

- Polos must be black, heather grey, or white (K-4)
- Polos must be black, heather, grey, white, navy blue, or maroon (5-6 ONLY)
- Polos must be logo and graphic free
- Dress shirts must be white
- Cardigans must be black or heather grey
- Cardigans must be non-hooded and contain buttons, not zippers
- Sweater vests must be black
- Finn Wear tops (i.e.: Finn Wear sweatshirt, long or short sleeve t-shirt) on Fridays ONLY

### BOTTOMS: Pants, Skirts, Jumpers, and Shorts

- Pants must be black or heather grey dress pants
- Cargo or denim pants are not permitted
- Skirts and jumpers must be black or heather grey
- Athletic and casual cotton skirts are not permitted
- Shorts must be black or heather grey
- Athletic and casual cotton or spandex shorts are not permitted
- Skirts, jumpers and shorts must not be shorter than 2 inches above the knee
- Polo dresses in black or grey are allowed
- Leggings cannot be substituted for pants, a jumper, or skirt

### OUTERWEAR: Coats, Jackets, and Sweatshirts

- Outerwear may not be worn inside the school building during the instructional day
- Outerwear may be worn only if the scholar is exiting the building for an outdoor activity or recess
- Outerwear may be worn to school and placed in the scholar's locker.
- The Dean and/or the classroom teacher may make an exception if the building/classroom is unusually cold

## FOOTWEAR: Shoes and Sneakers

- All footwear must black, or black with small white logo.
- All footwear must have rubber soles. Flip flops and Crocs are prohibited.
- Heels should be no higher than 1/2 inch.
- Winter boots are not permitted during the school day. Scholars may wear boots during inclement weather, but must change into appropriate footwear once inside the school.

## ACCESSORIES: Headwear, Jewelry and Underclothes

- All undershirts (short and long-sleeve) must be black, grey, or white.
- Leggings and tights must be black, heather grey, or white (patterns in the appropriate colors are permitted) and must be worn accompanied by a jumper or skirt.
- Hats of any kind are not permitted. Scholars may wear them to school, but must remove them and store them in their locker upon entering the school.
- All socks must be black, grey or white.
- Tall socks are permitted with shorts, skirts, or dresses, as long as they are approved colors. A small logo can be visible, as long as it is black, grey, or white.

## FITNESS/DANCE

- Scholars in grades **K-6** will wear their school day uniform for Fitness and Dance classes.

## DRESS UNIFORM

- Scholars will be required to wear their "dress uniform" at certain expedition celebrations, field studies and events. This consists of a button down and approved uniform bottoms. Notice will be provided to families.

## VIOLATION FOLLOW-THROUGH

**First Violation** of the Finn Academy Dress Code will result in a note home to parents/guardians notifying them of the violation. We will do our best to provide the scholar with the necessary clothing item(s) for the day. We ask that families return the item(s) cleaned the following day, so that another scholar may benefit from it.

**Second Violation** of the Finn Academy Dress Code will result in a phone call to parents/guardians requesting that appropriate clothing item(s) are brought to school for the scholar to change into for the day.

**Third Violation** of the Finn Academy Dress Code will result in a meeting between Leadership, parents/guardians, and the scholar to discuss the Uniform Policy and any support or help that may be needed to abide by the Dress Code.