

GLENDALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE

Glendale Prep has a primary objective of developing a community of learners, dedicated to the highest standards of academics and deportment. As such, a distinctive uniform is a unifying factor within our school community. It is also a visible signature of our school to the larger community, an indicator of our unity and of our pride of purpose. This is one of the most important functions of a uniform: it identifies its wearer as part of a distinctive group with a distinctive purpose. It is a reminder to its wearer of that purpose and of one's responsibility to that group.

The uniform is the basis of a dress code that reflects the nobility and seriousness of our mission. Our students should dress their best, look their best, and do their best. All clothing must be clean, neat, reasonably pressed, and in properly fitting condition. If a child is deemed to be wearing inappropriate attire, the parent will be notified and a change of clothing may be required for attendance that day. If in doubt about the appropriateness of an article of clothing, check with the school office before purchasing. Good judgment exercised at home will be a learning activity for the child that will help to avoid embarrassment or wasted time at school. Questions about the appropriateness of apparel may be referred to the Headmaster, whose judgment will be final. The Headmaster may make specific exceptions to the dress code, as demanded by particular religious customs; parents should address specific concerns to the school administration before the second week of school.

Our desire is not to squash students' individuality, but to secure their commitment to scholarship and character development, goals which can potentially be obscured by a focus on the latest trends or fads. We ask not only for the student's commitment to this concept, but for the parent's as well. The uniform and dress code of Glendale Prep support and reinforce our academic goals. The uniform assists us in staying focused on the true individuality offered by healthy dialogue and the development of the life of the mind for each student.

Students must stay in uniform whenever they are on campus (including the parking lot) during a school day. This means arriving on campus *fully* in uniform and leaving campus *fully* in uniform (correct shoes, shirts tucked in, etc.). Students may only change out of uniform after school with teacher/coach permission to participate in an approved curricular or extracurricular activity that requires an immediate change in dress.

Uniform for Boys

Purchasing Note: Some components of the uniform need to be purchased from specified uniform providers (Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms), whereas other items can be purchased from any vendor. Please see the note under each item.

6th - 8th grade Boys

Required:

1. Polo Shirt: Short or Long sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Navy blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

2. Pants
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any

Optional:

1. Shorts
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any
 - c. Time Restrictions: Shorts are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school

2. Sweater
 - a. Color: Navy blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

9th - 12th grade Boys

Required:

1. Oxford Shirt: Long sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Light blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

2. Pants
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any

Optional:

1. Oxford Shirt: Short sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Light blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms
 - c. Time Restrictions: Short-sleeve Oxfords are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school

2. Shorts
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any
 - c. Time Restrictions: Shorts are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school

3. Sweater
 - a. Color: Navy blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

Dress Code for Boys

Shirts: The oxford dress shirt must be fully buttoned, such that only the uppermost button remains undone. Shirts must always be tucked in, and shirttails must be long enough to stay tucked in.

Pants: Khaki dress slacks that reach to the shoe but are not dragging on the ground. The slacks must have belt loops and a solid, dark belt must be used. No jeans, cargo pants, oversized pants, super-baggy pants, dungarees, extra pockets, extra zippers, or extra seams will be permitted. Slacks should be worn at the waist and no boxers or undergarments may be visible, including at sports practices and games.

Shorts: Khaki walking shorts, with a belt, may be worn from the beginning of school to Fall Break and from Spring Break through the end of school. Shorts should go to just above the knee but not below, and should not be excessively tight or loose-fitting. Shorts should be worn at the waist (and no boxers or undergarments may be visible – including at sports practices and games). No jean shorts, cargo shorts, oversized shorts, super-baggy shorts, extra pockets, extra zippers, or extra seams will be permitted.

Footwear: Dark, solid-colored, low-heeled, low-soled dress shoes or loafers with dark laces and dark or tan socks. No heel-high socks are permitted with long pants. No high-top shoes or boots. Sneakers, tennis or jogging shoes will be permitted only during athletic activities. White and heel-high socks may be worn with shorts. Socks must be free of logos or decorations.

Hair: Hair should be neatly trimmed and combed; no long spiked hair-styles. Hair should not be so long as to hang far below the eyes if combed forward nor long enough to bring into a ponytail. Crew cuts are permitted, but the head must not appear shaved or skin widely visible underneath. The following are not permitted: mohawks, rat's tails, braids, hairnets, bandanas, dyed hair, or shaved heads. If for any reason a haircut or hairstyle is deemed inappropriate by an Administrator, the student must alter his hair in accordance with the Administrator's directive. All students must be clean-shaven; no facial hair of any kind is permitted.

Jewelry: No nose-rings, earrings, or other body-piercing jewelry will be permitted for boys. No bracelets or anklets may be worn. A total of one watch and one ring are permissible. Students may wear a necklace, but it must be worn inside the shirt. All jewelry must be tasteful and may not be distracting.

Outerwear: Jackets and sweatshirts may be worn to school for warmth but must be free of logos and messages, with the following exceptions: sports team logos (e.g., Griffins, Diamondbacks) and apparel brand name logos (e.g. the Ralph Lauren "polo") are acceptable, provided they are tasteful and do not make inappropriate allusions. Students must store their jackets and sweatshirts in their lockers by the start of first period. Jackets and sweatshirts must remain in the lockers for the remainder of the school day. However, students may wear their jackets and sweatshirts at lunch from Fall break (mid-October) to Spring break (mid-March) and during the day on rainy days. Glendale Prep uniform sweaters may be worn throughout the school day all year long.

Additional Guidelines:

- **Hats** and **sunglasses** may not be worn on campus and must be stored in student lockers during the school day.
- No tattoos, temporary or permanent are permitted. This prohibition includes pen and ink drawings on the skin.
- No oversized or baggy clothing will be permitted.

Uniform for Girls

Purchasing Note: Some components of the uniform need to be purchased from specified uniform providers (Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms), whereas other items can be purchased from any vendor. Please see the note under each item.

6th - 8th grade Girls

Required:

1. Polo Shirt: Short or Long sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Yellow
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms
2. Skirt
 - a. Color: Green/blue plaid
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

Optional:

1. Shorts
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any
 - c. Time Restrictions: Shorts are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school
2. Pants
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any
 - c. Time Restrictions: Pants are permitted from November through Spring Break
3. Sweater
 - a. Color: Navy blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

9th - 12th grade Girls

Required:

1. Oxford Shirt: Long sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Yellow
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

2. Skirt
 - c. Color: Green/blue plaid
 - d. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

Optional:

1. Oxford Shirt: Short sleeve
 - a. Color: White or Yellow
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms
 - c. Time Restrictions: Short-sleeve Oxfords are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school

2. Shorts
 - a. Color: Khaki
 - b. Vendor: any
 - c. Time Restrictions: Shorts are permitted from the beginning of school **through October** and from Spring Break through the end of school

3. Pants
 - d. Color: Khaki
 - e. Vendor: any
 - f. Time Restrictions: Pants are permitted from November through Spring Break

4. Sweater
 - a. Color: Navy blue
 - b. Vendor: Collettes Uniforms or Dennis Uniforms

Dress Code for Girls

Shirts: Shirts must always be tucked in so that the waistband of the skirt, pants, or shorts is visible, and shirrtails must be long enough to stay tucked in. Students may not deliberately blouse out or give a partially “untucked” look to their shirts. For high school girls, the oxford dress shirt must be fully buttoned, such that only the uppermost button remains undone.

Skirts: The skirt hem may be no higher than just above the knee, both in front and in back. Skirt hem should be within two inches of the ground when properly adjusted at the waist and kneeling on a level surface, and may be longer if desired. Skirts must be worn at the waist.

Pants: Khaki dress slacks that reach to the shoe but are not dragging on the ground. The slacks must have belt loops and a solid, dark belt must be used. No jeans, cargo pants, oversized pants, super-baggy pants, dungarees, extra pockets, extra zippers, or extra

seams will be permitted. Slacks should be worn at the waist and no boxers or undergarments may be visible, including at sports practices and games.

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Footwear: Low-heeled (less than 1.5”), low-soled or flat, dark, solid-colored leather loafers or dress shoes. No open-toed or open-heeled shoes or sandals. Sneakers, tennis or jogging shoes will be permitted only during athletic activities. Girls should wear solid color navy or white nylons, tights, or socks. Ankle socks and heel-high (“no-show”) socks may be worn.

Jewelry: Girls may wear *one* pair of short earrings only on the ear lobes. “Short” means that the earrings should not hang more than ½ inch below the ear lobe. Large hoops or other dangling or distracting earrings are not permitted. Loops are not to be larger than the size of a nickel. No body-piercing jewelry except traditionally-located earrings will be permitted. One simple ring on each hand is permitted. One wrist bracelet, one watch, *and one small necklace are permissible. Only simple, fine-gauged, 16 to 20 inch, silver or gold chain necklaces (with or without a pendant) are permitted. The following will not be permitted: chokers, beaded necklaces (colored or otherwise), leather necklaces, shells, large or elaborate chain-link, and large or elaborate pendants (larger than an inch in length, width or diameter).

Makeup: Girls may wear subtle makeup only if it is applied tastefully and in moderation. Heavily lined eyes or gaudy lipstick, glittered or white-powdered faces will not be permitted. Fingernails should not be excessively long or painted garishly. Fingernails may only be painted in shades of red or pink and colors matching one’s skin tone. Tasteful French manicures are acceptable. No shades of blue, green, yellow, purple or black are permissible, nor are glittered, speckled, or patterned nail polish.

Hair: Should be neatly combed or styled. No shaved heads. Neat bows, barrettes, headbands, and "scrunchies" are permissible. Hair should not be arranged or colored so as to draw undue attention to the student. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color (no bleaching or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no deep/bright reds or oranges, no artificial jet-black coloring, and no unnatural colors). Radical changes in hair color during the school year are unacceptable.

Outerwear: Jackets and sweatshirts may be worn to school for warmth but must be free of logos and messages, with the following exceptions: sports team logos (e.g., Griffins, Diamondbacks) and apparel brand name logos (e.g. the Ralph Lauren “polo”) are acceptable, provided they are tasteful and do not make inappropriate allusions. Students must store their jackets and sweatshirts in their lockers by the start of first period. Jackets and sweatshirts must remain in the lockers for the remainder of the school day. However, students may wear their jackets and sweatshirts at lunch from Fall break (mid-October) to Spring break (mid-March) and during the day on rainy days. Glendale Prep uniform sweaters may be worn throughout the school day all year long.

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Dress Code for Athletics and Special Events

Athletic Practice and Athletic Field Day Dress Code

All shirts worn for athletic practices and field day should be modest, loose fitting, in good repair (no holes, torn sleeves, etc), should be worn either tucked in or well over the waist of the pants/shorts if not tucked in. No midriffs may be shown. T-shirts are preferred—no tank tops, camisoles, or sports bras may be worn as outer garments. Sleeveless shirts may be worn if modest.

Pants/shorts should be modest, in good repair (no holes, torn sleeves, etc.) Pants should be worn at the waist and should be no shorter than mid-thigh, and no-longer than just below the knee. No short-shorts or long baggy shorts may be worn. No boxers or undergarments may be visible.

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Footwear should be athletic in nature: no sandals, open-toed, or platform shoes. Hats and sunscreen may be appropriate, if the students will be in the sun. Hat styles should follow the same guidelines as above.

Semi-Formal Events Dress Code

There are specific, semi-formal dress requirements for special events, including periodic fine arts concerts and the end-of-year ceremonies (such as commencement and graduation).

The semi-formal dress code for young men is as follows: dress slacks (no jeans or patched pocket pants), a dress shirt, tie, dress socks, dress shoes. Dyed/bleached hair or hats are not permitted. Hair should be trimmed and styled appropriately.

The semi-formal dress code for the young ladies is as follows: modest-length skirts or dresses (no shorter than the uniform skirt); bare midriffs are not acceptable; ladies may not wear strapless, spaghetti-strap, or tank tops. Girls should wear dress shoes. Although dress sandals (open toed dress shoes) may be worn, flip-flops or “Y” strapped shoes are not permitted. No dyed/bleached hair.