



UNIFORM GUIDELINES

2024-2025

PURPOSE OF THE UNIFORM

Ascent Classical Academy requires students to wear uniforms to eliminate distractions, to level the playing field, and to remind ourselves that we are doing important work. Our uniform policies support this purpose.



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ACAGJ Uniform Policy

Purpose

Ascent Classical Academy Charter Schools students will wear the school uniform. A school uniform is an important element of a successful classical school since it serves to create a school culture conducive to order, decorum, and civility. More specifically, the uniform helps accomplish several goals:

- It significantly curtails worry over ‘what will I wear today?’ that can also lead to a struggle in the home over what will (and will not) be worn.
- It significantly reduces the distraction clothing can become to the disadvantage of learning.
- Far from repressing a student’s individuality, it helps channel a child’s own character and thought in the direction of learning, making a person’s identity reflected more in what he or she says than in what he or she wears.
- It fosters a healthy sense of school identity and pride.

Care for the uniform, set at a higher standard than common school clothing, teaches students how to dress and conduct themselves professionally. The students at a school with a uniform, in fact, appear much more mature than students found on the vast majority of college campuses. This is a “soft skill” that will help them later in life but also give them a distinct esprit de corps while in school.

Questions arising over particular aspects of the uniform should be decided according to this overarching intent. The most up-to-date uniform policy will be posted on the school’s website. Temporary exceptions to the clothing requirements of this policy may be granted by the headmaster. Upon request, reasonable adjustments in the uniform policy may be made by the headmaster for students with disabilities, religious convictions which conflict with the code, or other unique reasons. In addition to the uniform, students must adhere to the following standards of appearance.

Standards of Appearance

All Students

- Students should be neat and tidy in appearance;
- No logos, prints, or words other than the official ACAGJ logo are allowed;
- No cargo pants are allowed;
- Shirts should be tucked in;
- Belts should be worn with all pants and shorts in third grade and up. Belts should be solid black or brown;
- Socks should be white, black, gray, or navy in solid colors (no prints or patterns);

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- Shoes must be closed-toe, close-heel, rubber sole, and no heels above 1-inch. Shoes should not be brightly colored, and must be in navy, white, gray, brown, tan, or black;
- No hats are allowed inside the school (only winter hats for outdoors);
- Jackets/fleece/hoodies/sweatshirts may be worn to school, but must be removed and hung prior to entering the classrooms;
- No visible tattoos or other body art or piercings, other than earrings for girls, are permitted.
- Shorts must be no higher than 2” above the knee, and not fall below the knee;
- Hair should be neatly styled; hair color should be natural and not distracting.
 - Hair length must be above the top of the collar. Older boys must shave when the time comes.

Girls

- Shorts, skirts, skorts, dresses, and jumpers must be no higher than 2” above the knee;
- Tights, leggings, or shorts in solid white, tan, or navy may be worn under all skirts/dresses;
- Girls in grades K-6 may not wear make-up. Make-up, when used, should be natural-looking;
- Girls may wear single earrings in their ear lobes. No gauge earrings or dangling earrings are allowed, and all other visible piercings must be removed during school.
- Nails should be natural-looking and not distracting. Students should not wear acrylic or gel nails that impact or interfere with handwriting.

Spirit Wear

Spirit wear is not part of the school uniform but can be worn outside of school or other appropriate occasions as determined by each campus to show support for the school.

Backpacks, Book Bags and Totes

Backpacks, book bags and totes are expected to be clean, in good condition, and appropriate for the school culture. Backpacks and bags shall not include any items which detract from the school’s orderly and disciplined environment. Avoid backpacks with pop culture images such as Disney characters, etc.

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Boys K-2 Daily Attire



Polos (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve
- White, black, and navy undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Shorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Cargo shorts are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Optional for K-2**
- Black, brown or navy
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Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Hair

- Hair should be tidy and styled; distracting styles and unnatural colors are not permitted

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Boys K-2 Formal Attire



Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button-down
- Long-sleeve or short sleeve
- White undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Shorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Cargo shorts are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Optional for K-2**
- Black, brown or navy

Tie

- Optional for K-2
- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
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Hair

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Boys 3-6 Daily Attire



* **Required - Belt**

Polos (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve
- White, black, and navy undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Shorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Cargo shorts are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required for 3-6**
- Black, brown or navy

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Hair

- Hair should be tidy and styled; distracting styles and unnatural colors are not permitted

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Boys 3-6 Formal Attire



Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button-down
- Long-sleeve or short sleeve
- White undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required 3-6**
- Black, brown or navy

Tie

- **Required for 3-6**
- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
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Hair

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Boys 7-12 Daily Attire



 **Required - Belt**

Polos (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve
- White, black, and navy undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Shorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Cargo shorts are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required for 7 - 12**
- Black, brown or navy

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Hair

- Hair should be tidy and styled; distracting styles and unnatural colors are not permitted

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Boys 7-12 Formal Attire



Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button-down
- Long-sleeve or short sleeve
- White undershirts are permitted
 - Long-sleeve undershirts are not permitted under short-sleeve shirts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Cargo pants are not permitted

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required 7-12**
- Black, brown or navy

Tie

- **Required for 7-12**
- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Hair

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Girls K-2 Daily Attire



* **Optional** - Belt

Polos and Polo Dress (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone
- Polo dress must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee and **requires** navy or black bike shorts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Tight pants and jeggings are not permitted

Skorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee

Jumpers

- Khaki or navy **paired with white oxford shirt**
- Length must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee and **requires** navy or black bike shorts

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Optional for K-2**
- Black, brown or navy

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Tights and Leggings

- White, black, navy or skin-tone; no prints or holes
- May be worn under dresses, jumpers, skirts and skorts
- Athletic leggings not permitted

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Accessories

- All jewelry must be discrete and non-distracting; only stud earrings are permitted
- Nails should be a natural length and non-distracting

Hair/Hairpieces

- Hair should be tidy and styled; distracting styles and unnatural colors are not permitted
- Headbands, scrunchies, and bows - non-distracting and of reasonable size are permitted in navy, yellow, white, grey, or black

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Girls K-2 Formal Attire



Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button down
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone

Jumper

- Navy or Plaid (must be Ascent plaid found on Lands' End)
- Length must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee and **requires** navy or black bike shorts

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Cross Tie

- **Optional for K - 2**
- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Tights and Leggings

- White, black, navy or skin-tone; no prints or holes
- May be worn under dresses, jumpers, skirts and skorts
- Athletic leggings not permitted

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted
- Black or brown dress shoes optional

Accessories

- All jewelry must be discrete and non-distracting; only stud earrings are permitted
- Nails should be a natural length and non-distracting

Hair/Hairpieces

- Hair should be tidy and styled; distracting styles and unnatural colors are not permitted
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Girls 3-6 Daily Attire



*** Required - Belt If Wearing Shorts or Pants**

Polos and Polo Dress (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone
- Polo dress must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee and **requires** navy or black bike shorts

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Tight pants and jeggings are not permitted

Skorts

- Khaki or navy
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required for 3-6**
- Black, brown or navy

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Tights and Leggings

- White, black, navy or skin-tone; no prints or holes
- May be worn under dresses, jumpers, skirts and skorts
- Athletic leggings not permitted

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted

Accessories

- All jewelry must be discrete and non-distracting; only stud earrings are permitted
- Nails should be a natural length and non-distracting

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Girls 3-6 Formal Attire



* **Optional** - Dress Shoes

* **Required** - Belt If Wearing pants & Cross Tie

Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button down
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone

Skirt

- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End or navy
- Length must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Navy or black bike shorts required under skirts

Pants

- Navy or Khaki
- No jeggings

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Cross Tie

- **Required for 3-6**
- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Shoes

- Black, white or combo athletic shoes
- **Less than 1" high**, rubber soles
- Small logos in uniform colors are permitted
- Black or brown dress shoes optional

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Polos (logo required)

- Navy or light grey
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone

Pants

- Khaki or navy
- Tight pants and jeggings are not permitted

Skirts, Skorts and Shorts

- Khaki, navy or plaid (found on Lands' End)
- Length must read a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Navy or black bike shorts **recommended** under skirts

Sweaters (logo optional)

- Navy or grey
- Cardigans, vests, and full or half-zip fleece jackets
- Hoods are not permitted to be worn indoors

Belts

- **Required for 7-12**
- Black, brown or navy

Socks

- Solid white, black or navy; no prints or holes
- Ankle, crew or knee length

Tights and Leggings

- White, black, navy or skin-tone; no prints or holes
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Shoes

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Girls 7-12 Formal Attire



* **Optional** - Dress Shoes

* **Required** - Belt If Wearing Pants & Cross Tie

Shirt (logo optional)

- White oxford button down
- Long-sleeve or short-sleeve; top button may be undone

Skirt

- Must be Ascent Plaid found on Lands' End or navy
- Length must reach a minimum of 2" above the knee
- Navy or black bike shorts **recommended** under skirts

Pants

- Navy or Khaki
- No jeggings

Sweaters (logo optional)

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