Archway Classical Academy-Scottsdale Uniform Policy

The uniform is the basis of the 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 proper fitting condition. Our desire is not to squash students’ individuality, but to secure their commitment to scholarship and character development as well as goals that 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 Archway Classical Academy 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 the 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 permission from a faculty member to participate in an approved curricular or extracurricular activity that requires an immediate dress change.

Purchasing Note: Some components of the uniform will need to be purchased from Anton Uniform, other items may be purchased from any vendor as long as the uniform piece matches that from Anton Uniforms. Please see the note under each item.

Required Student Uniforms

Polo shirt: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Style: With logo (short sleeve or long sleeve); One short sleeve white polo with logo is required per student. Without logo-white short sleeve or white long sleeve
Color: Light blue and white ONLY (light blue must have logo)
Fit: Shirt must always remain tucked in
Vendor: Anton Uniform for white or light blue with logo; any vendor for white without logo but the style must match Anton Uniform style with no gathers at shoulders or color/pattern inside the collar or sleeves.

Blouse: Girls
Style: short sleeve or long sleeve
Color: White
Fit: Shirt can only be worn with the jumper
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms Only (may not be purchased elsewhere)

Jumper: Girls
Color: Navy Blue
Fit: 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; may be longer if desired. Skirts must be worn at the waist. Dark spandex tight-fitting shorts must be worn under the jumper and may not be longer than the skirt itself.
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere).

Skirt: Girls
Color: Navy Blue
Length: The skirt hem can 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; may be longer if desired. Skirts must be worn at the waist. Dark spandex tight-fitting shorts must be worn under the skirt and may not be longer than the skirt itself.
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere).

Skort: Girls
Color: Navy Blue
Length: The skort hem can be no higher than just above the knee both in front and in back. Skort hem should be within two inches of the ground when properly adjusted at the waist and kneeling on a level surface; may be longer if desired. Skorts must be worn at the waist.
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere).

Pants: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Color: Navy Blue
Style: Flat front dress pants with belt loops. No pleats, no jeans, no cargo pants
Fit: Pants should reach the shoe but not drag on the ground. No excessively baggy or tight-fitting pants will be permitted. Pants should be worn at the waist with no undergarments visible. The slacks should have belt loops and a solid, dark belt should be worn.
Vendor: Any vendor as long as pants are indistinguishable from the Anton/Dennis Uniform pants.

Shorts: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Color: Navy Blue
Style: Flat front walking shorts with belt loops. Shorts should fall mid-thigh and not be longer than the knee.
Fit: No excessively baggy or tight-fitting shorts will be permitted. Shorts should be worn at the waist with no undergarments visible. The shorts should have belt loops and a solid, dark belt should be worn.
Vendor: Any as long as the shorts are indistinguishable from the Anton/Dennis Uniform shorts.

Shoes: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Solid white or black, low top tennis shoes. Laces must be white or black. Brand logos are permitted. Soles of athletic shoes must be white, black, or grey only. Boys/unisex dress shoes in solid brown or black. Girl’s closed toe dress shoes in solid white, navy blue, brown, or black. No heels, ankle straps, sandals, or flip flops. Minimal sequins in same color are permitted on dress shoes only, not covering more than 20% of the shoe. Athletic shoes must be worn on PE days.
Socks: Girls
White or navy opaque knit knee-high, ankle socks, or nylon tights; no patterns, no colored trim, bows, or lace trim allowed. Socks must show above the shoe. Leggings are not permitted.

Socks: Boys/Unisex
Long cotton knit sock—must wear navy sock with pants. May wear white sport sock, white or black ankle socks with shorts but sock must show above the shoe.

Sweater: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Color: Navy with school logo
Style: V-neck cardigan-button front
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

Sweatshirt: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Color: Navy with school logo
Style: ¼ zip Navy
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

Fleece Jacket: Unisex: Girls/Boys
Color: Navy with school logo
Style: Front full length zipper
Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

Outerwear
Heavy jackets, scarves, and gloves/mittens may be worn to school for warmth in cold weather but must be free of logos and messages. Heavy jackets, scarves, and gloves/mittens may only be worn before/after school, and at recess. Upon entering the school, they must be stored with backpacks and may not be worn in the classrooms. All sweatshirts, fleece jackets, and sweaters must be from Anton/Dennis Uniforms and have the ACS logo.

Hair
Girls—hair should be neatly combed or styled. Neat small bows, barrettes, headbands, and hair ties are permissible so long as they coordinate with the uniform. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color and cut (no bleaching, or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no artificial jet black coloring, and no unnatural colors). Accommodations for religious reasons are permitted.

Boys—hair should be neatly combed or styled. Hair must be well-off the top of the shirt collar. Hair should not fall below the eyebrows or past the mid-point of the ear. Hair must be natural looking and conservative in its color and style (no bleaching or unnatural streaking/highlighting, no artificial jet black coloring, and no unnatural colors). Accommodations for religious reasons are permitted.

Jewelry
Girls may wear one pair of small studded earrings only on the earlobes. No loops or dangling earrings are permitted. Boys may not wear earrings. No other body piercings are permitted. Boys and girls are permitted to wear one watch that does not have electronic or cellular capabilities. Fit Bits may be worn if they remain on time mode only. No pop-culture references are permitted on either the earrings or
watches. A religious necklace tucked into the shirt may be worn. Otherwise, bracelets, rings, and necklaces are not permitted.

Make Up
Students may not wear makeup of any kind, including chapstick with colored tint or a flavor/scent.

Nail Polish
Girls may wear light pink (no bright, dark, or neon pink) or clear nail polish only. No French tips or artificial nails.

Backpacks, lunchboxes, and water bottles
Students may bring backpacks to and from school. BACKPACKS CANNOT HAVE WHEELS and must be carried on students’ backs. Backpacks must fit completely into or hand from the designated shelving/cubby units in the classroom or 5th grade lockers. Backpacks, lunchboxes, and water bottles should be free of icons of popular culture (including but not limited to peace signs and smiley faces) and should be free of messages that are offensive or inappropriate to the academy environment. Decorative key chains hanging from backpacks or lunch boxes are not acceptable, including hand sanitizer.

Additional Guidelines
Hats and sunglasses may only be worn outside and must be removed and placed in their backpacks upon entering the school.

Student’s skin should be free of any tattoos, painted or ink drawings of any kind. Students should not draw on themselves or others.

Students should not bring any materials or supplies to school not specified on the grade level supply list. This includes such items as toys, pens, notepads, key chains, etc.

It is important to label sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, lunchboxes, and water bottles with your child’s name.

If the cost of the uniform presents a financial hardship for your family, please contact the school office for assistance.