



## Archway Classical Academy-Scottsdale Uniform Policy 2021-22

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 Scottsdale 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 Notes:**

Some components of the uniform will need to be purchased from an approved uniform vendor, other items may be purchased from any vendor as long as the uniform piece matches that from the approved uniform vendor. Please see the note under each item.

***The ACS Uniform Policy differs slightly from the Boy's and Girl's Dress Code found in our Family Handbook. This is the last year that this policy will be valid. For the 2022-23 school year, we will align our ACS policy to the Dress Code in the Family Handbook.***

### **Student Uniform and Dress Code**

#### **Polo shirt:** Unisex

- a. Style/Color: White, with or without logo, short sleeve or long sleeve; ***One short sleeve white polo with logo is required per student***; OR Light blue with logo, short sleeve or long sleeve
- b. Fit: Shirt must always remain tucked in.
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform for white or light blue with logo; any vendor for white without logo but the style must match Anton/Dennis Uniform style with no gathers at shoulders or color/pattern inside the collar or sleeves.

**Blouse:** Girls

- a. Style: Short sleeve or long sleeve
- b. Color: White
- c. Fit: Blouse can only be worn with the jumper
- d. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms Only (may not be purchased elsewhere)

**Jumper:** Girls

- a. Color: Navy Blue
- b. Fit: The skirt hem may be no higher than just above the knee both in front and in back. 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.
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere)

**Skirt:** Girls

- a. Color: Navy Blue
- b. Length: The skirt hem can be no higher than just above the knee both in front and in back. 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.
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere)

**Skort:** Girls

- a. Color: Navy Blue
- b. Length: The skort hem can be no higher than just above the knee both in front and in back. Skorts must be worn at the waist.
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniform only (may not be purchased elsewhere)

**Pants:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy Blue
- b. Style: Flat front dress pants with belt loops. No pleats, no jeans, no cargo pants
- c. 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.
- d. Vendor: Any vendor as long as pants are indistinguishable from the Anton/Dennis Uniform pants

**Shorts:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy Blue
- b. Style: Flat front walking shorts with belt loops. Shorts should fall mid-thigh and not be longer than the knee.
- c. 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.
- d. Vendor: Any as long as the shorts are indistinguishable from the Anton/Dennis Uniform shorts

**Shoes:** Unisex

- a. Solid white or black, tennis shoes. Laces must be white or black. Brand logos are permitted. Soles of athletic shoes must be white, black, or grey only. ***Athletic shoes must be worn on PE days.***
- b. Boys/unisex dress shoes in solid brown or black.
- c. Girl's closed toed 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.

**Socks:** Girls

White or navy opaque knit knee-high, ankle socks, or nylon tights or leggings; no patterns, no colored trim, bows, or lace trim allowed. Socks must show above the shoe.

**Socks:** Boys/Unisex

Navy socks must be worn with pants. May wear white or black socks with shorts. May wear sport sock or ankle sock with shorts but sock must show above the shoe.

**Sweater Vest:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy with school logo
- b. Style: V-neck pull over
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

**Sweater:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy with school logo
- b. Style: V-neck cardigan-button front
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

**Sweatshirt:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy with school logo
- b. Style: ¼ zipper front
- c. Vendor: Anton/Dennis Uniforms only (cannot be purchased elsewhere)

**Fleece Jacket:** Unisex

- a. Color: Navy with school logo
- b. Style: Front full length zipper
- c. 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, Jewelry, and Makeup**

**Girls Hair:** 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:** Hair should be neatly combed or styled. Hair must be well-off the top of the shirt collar. Hair should be styled so that it does not fall below the eyebrows or past the mid-point of the ear. 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.

**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. All students are permitted to wear one watch that does not have electronic or cellular capabilities (such as a smart watch). 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 must fit completely into or hang from the designated shelving/cubby units in the classroom or 5<sup>th</sup> grade lockers. Backpacks, lunchboxes, and water bottles should be free of icons of popular culture (including but not limited to peace signs, cartoon characters, tie-dyed patterns, etc.), and should be free of messages that are offensive or inappropriate to the academy environment. Sports team logos (e.g., Diamondbacks, Notre Dame), and apparel brand names (e.g., Adidas, Nike) are acceptable, provided they do not make inappropriate allusions. 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. Hats should be free of icons of popular culture including but not limited to peace signs, cartoon characters, tie-dyed patterns, etc.), and should be free of messages that are offensive or inappropriate to the academy environment. Sports team logos (e.g., Diamondbacks, Notre Dame), and apparel brand names (e.g., Adidas, Nike) are acceptable, provided they do not make inappropriate allusions.

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, supplies, or items 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 the student's name.**

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

### **NON-UNIFORM DRESS CODE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS**

For special events such as field day, picture day, school concerts, classroom celebrations, athletic clubs, etc., please follow dress code guidelines that will be provided by the school leading up to each event.