

## **Arches Academy Uniform Policy**

The purpose of the uniform policy is threefold: 1) encourages attention to a student's character and talents rather than to his/her appearance, 2) eliminates distractions in the classroom, and 3) establishes a sense of order and respect for the school and its community. Information about where to purchase uniform clothing is available on our website, as well as detailed below.

**Student Responsibility:** Students are expected to adhere to the uniform policy as outlined. If a student is out of uniform at any time during the day, he/she will be asked to comply with the uniform guidelines, and if needed, a phone call will be made to parents to assist in the matter. Students who are out of uniform will be given a violation warning to be taken home and signed by parents. After 3 warnings, the student will need to return home to change. 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade students will be issued demerits.

**Parent Responsibility:** Parents are expected to know the uniform policy and ensure their students are properly dressed for school. If parents are contacted regarding their student's uniform, they are expected to bring appropriate clothes to their child or make arrangements for them to change.

**Teacher Responsibility:** First period teachers check uniform dress before they begin class. If a student is not in proper attire, they will be reminded of the uniform policy, and the way in which they are not adhering. A notice will be sent home as a reminder to the parent as well. Teachers enforce the uniform policy throughout the day. Teachers will give demerits as deemed necessary.

### ***Grooming Guidelines***

The appearance of the student body affects the environment of the entire school. Uniforms can contribute to a safe environment and the appropriate educational and moral climate. In addition to the uniform, students are expected to dress and groom in a neat, clean and modest fashion. Students are to maintain these standards while on campus, including before and after classes, and when representing the school during off-campus activities.

- **Grooming:** Uniforms must be kept clean and in good repair. No torn or cut off pants. Shoes and socks must be worn at all times while on campus.
- **Hairstyles:** Hairstyles must be conservative and should appropriately reflect the environment of the school. Hair should be clean and well kept. Long hair should be kept out of eyes and face. (Ponytails, buns, and top knots are allowed for students with long hair—below the eyes and/or below the collar—in order to keep hair out of eyes and face.) Extreme hairstyles are not allowed and students may not be allowed to attend school until remedied. *Unacceptable* hairstyles include, but are not limited to:
  1. Bright, unnatural colored hair
  2. Shaved heads or designs shaved into the haircut
  3. Mohawks or long, spiked hair (more than 1 inch high)
  4. Dreadlocks, Jedi Braids, Rat-tails, etc.
- **Accessories:** Boys and girls may wear *simple* accessories, such as a watch, a ring, a bracelet, or a single necklace. No long, dangling necklaces or large necklaces. No large chains, spikes, dog collar necklaces/bracelets, bandanas, or neck scarves are permitted. Girls may wear one pair of earrings. No other visible body piercing is permitted. Girls may wear a matching headband or hair bow. Hats may *not* be worn at school, except on designated "hat days." Winter hats can be worn outside only, as weather dictates. Hair and face glitter are inappropriate during school hours. Belts must be worn with pants. Belts in solid black, brown, or navy only. No other color or design.

## ***Special Dress Days:***

**Spirit Days are held twice a month, on the first and third Fridays of the month.** Students can wear jeans and a t-shirt, as described below, or their uniform.

- An Arches Academy t-shirt: the navy Arches t-shirt, t-shirts from our school plays, or t-shirts from our writing rallies. The t-shirt does not have to be tucked in.
- Arches Academy hoodies are also acceptable on Spirit Day.
- Jeans, uniform pants, or nice casual pants—no sweat pants, gym shorts, etc.
- Tennis shoes

**WOW (Wear Own Wardrobe) Days are held twice a month, on the second and fourth Fridays of the month.** This is a day when students may choose to wear regular clothes to school. Clothing must still be modest and appropriate for school activities and the weather. *Grooming and Accessory rules still apply.* Additional WOW days may also be issued for special activities. Students will be notified of additional days in advance.

## ***Purchasing Uniform Clothing***

Most uniform items can be purchased at a variety of stores such as Land's End, JCPenney, Old Navy, Target, Walmart, LLBean, and others. They must come from the uniform section of the store.

There are a few unique items that can ONLY be found at Lands End or Dennis Uniform. These items are:

- Arches Academy polo shirts with school logo: Land's End: Go to the Uniform section of our website, under Student Life, and click on the Lands End Portal
  - They can put the school logo on anything you'd like them to.  
[Land's End Arches Academy Uniforms](#)
- Marymount plaid jumpers, skirts, and school ties:  
Dennis Uniform: (801) 287-9200  
[www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com)  
3560 Main St, Salt Lake City, UT 84115

Hoodies will be ordered through the school. We usually do an order in Sept and again in the Spring if needed. Spirit Day shirts are provided to each new student upon enrollment. New Spirit Day shirts can be purchased at the school for \$10.00.

We also have some gently used uniform items at the school. These items can be purchased for \$5.00 each, or exchanged 1 item for 1 item.

**\*\*I have read the above policies and clothing charts below and agree to support my child(ren) to abide by them.**

**Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

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### **Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Lower School Uniform Requirements**

The purpose of the uniform policy is threefold: 1) encourages attention to a student's character and talents rather than to his/her appearance, 2) eliminates distractions in the classroom, and 3) establishes a sense of order and respect for the school and its community. Uniforms contribute to a safe environment and the appropriate educational and moral climate. **(No uniform for PK.)**

<p><b>Shirts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White Polo with Arches Logo</li> <li>• Red Polo (no logo required)</li> <li>• White or Red Turtleneck</li> <li>• Girls: White Blouse (dressy collared button up) or White Oxford Shirt. No t-shirts or non-collared shirts.</li> <li>• Boys: White or Blue Oxford shirt</li> </ul>	<p>All shirts must be worn tucked in. Any shirt too small to tuck in is not acceptable. Shirts must be in good repair, fit appropriately, and must not be dirty or stained. No long sleeve shirts under short sleeves. Wear a sweater or long sleeve shirt on top of short sleeve shirts for warmth. No brand logos allowed on Oxford shirts.</p>
<p><b>Sweaters: Must be in solid colors. No sparkles or other decoration.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy, Red, or White Cardigan</li> <li>• Navy or Red Crew</li> <li>• Navy or Red V-Neck</li> <li>• Navy or Red V-Neck Vest</li> <li>• Arches Hoodie or Jacket</li> </ul>	<p>All students should have a sweater for cold days. No embellishments or brand logos of companies or other schools. Arches Academy hoodie can be worn in class <b>with hoods down</b>. No coats or non-Arches jackets in class. No sweatshirts allowed.</p>
<p><b>Pants/Shorts/Skirts/Skort</b>s</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pants/Shorts: Navy or khaki, uniform style. (No shorts Nov-Mar, no colored jeans.)</li> <li>• Skirts/Skort:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Navy or khaki, uniform style</li> <li>○ Plaid (Marymount plaid only-Dennis Uniform Store in SLC)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Leggings: <i>Solid</i> Black/Navy/White/Red. No prints or patterns of any kind.</li> </ul>	<p>Pants must be a plain style. Flares, cargos, denim or corduroy material are not acceptable. Belt looped pants required for 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. No torn or cut-off pants are acceptable. Skirts, skorts, and shorts are to be no shorter than fingertips-at-thigh length. Girls' leggings are for under skirts or jumpers – not to be worn as pants alone. No stretch/sweat pants. No jeans.</p>
<p><b>Jumpers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plaid ('Marymount' plaid only)</li> </ul>	<p>No navy or khaki jumpers allowed. Purchase at Dennis Uniform Store in SLC</p>
<p><b>Shoes, Socks (Boots: Nov-March only)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shoes in <b>one solid</b> color: brown, black, or navy. Laces must be in same color. Soles in same color or white.</li> <li>• <b>Solid</b> color socks or tights in white, red, black or navy. No patterns, prints, or logos of any kind.</li> </ul>	<p>Shoes must be closed toe and heel. Shoes with designs, glitter, jewels, or more than one color are not acceptable. Light-up shoes, platform shoes, high heeled shoes, or roller-skate shoes are never permitted. Boots allowed only November-March or as season dictates. Same specifications as shoes.</p>
<p><b>Belts (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> only. No belts for K.)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leather or fabric belt in solid color: brown, black or navy only.</li> </ul>	<p>A belt must be worn with pants at all times. No wide extravagant belts permitted.</p>

**Gym Clothes:** Gym clothes are NOT required for PK-5 students. Students may bring tennies.

**Accessories and Grooming:** please refer to Grooming section of the Uniform Policy.