

Student Dress Code Policy

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Florida Preparatory Academy's dress code reflects our commitment to fostering a professional and respectful learning environment. We expect students to present themselves in a manner that aligns with real-world standards of grooming and hygiene.

Academic Uniform

□ Shirts: Students may purchase polos from any retailer, but they must be solid-colored with a small logo. Alternatively, students may wear solid-colored, long or short-sleeved button-down shirts with a pointed collar and a small logo. Undershirts must not be visible.



All colored shirts are acceptable <u>except</u>:

Red (to be worn <u>only</u> by <u>Ambassadors</u>)

Black (to be worn <u>only</u> by Faculty/Staff)

□ Bottoms: Pants and shorts must be khaki, navy blue, or black. Cargo pants, jeans, leggings, or denim are not permitted. Shorts must extend past the student's fingertips when standing with arms at their side (e.g., Bermuda dress shorts). All uniform bottoms must have belt loops.





Skirts and skorts are **not** part of the dress code and may **not** be worn.

- □ Footwear: Closed-toe and closed-heel shoes are required. Flip flops, slippers, house shoes, slides, and Crocs are not permitted during the academic day.
- □ Outerwear: Students may wear FPA outerwear, collegiate outerwear, or solid colored outerwear. Any collegiate or solid colored outerwear must be conservative; no prints.



Appropriate Apparel on Fridays

Students may wear:

- $\hfill\square$ Long athletic pants, sweatpants, or jeans in good repair (no rips or holes)
- ☐ FPA house shirts, FPA club/program shirts, or FPA athletic shirts







Uniform for Athletic Classes

- □ **Shirts:** Florida Prep-issued t-shirts. Alternatively, students may wear plain grey, white, or navy t-shirts.
- □ Bottoms: Gym shorts that extend past the student's fingertips when standing with arms at their side. Spandex shorts are not permitted.
- □ Students must change into the appropriate attire at the beginning of athletic classes (such as tennis, PE, or strength & conditioning) and then change back into the regular school uniform at the end of the class.
- ☐ The uniform for athletic classes should **not** be worn during regular academic classes unless permission is given by an administrator or the nurse.



Non-Dress Code and Spirit Day Attire

While non-dress code attire is allowed on designated days, students are expected to maintain good taste and decorum. If unsure about acceptable attire, students should consult with school administration. Please see details regarding attire that is always considered <u>unacceptable</u> on the following page.

Prohibited Attire:

- Midriff-baring tops
- Low-cut, see-through, sleeveless, or revealing shirts
- Clothing with inappropriate language, images, or logos
- Ripped or torn jeans
- Flip flops, slides, slippers, Crocs, and similar shoes
- Pants worn too low
- Yoga pants or leggings
- Shorts shorter than fingertips when standing
- Facial jewelry
- Visible tattoos
- "Du-rags"
- Ragged or dirty clothing
- Earrings for males

Personal Hygiene and Grooming

All students are expected to be clean, well-groomed, showered, and dressed in a proper and clean uniform each morning.

☐ Hair: Hair must be neatly groomed and in good taste. If dyed, hair must remain a natural color.
□ Males : Male students must be clean-shaven at all times. No notches or designs shall be cut into the hair. Eyebrows should not be altered. Haircuts must be performed by a licensed professional.
□ Females: Conservative hair accessories such as hair pins, combs, headbands, elastic bands, and barrettes are allowed. Wigs and hairpieces must follow the same standards as natural hair.
□ Jewelry: Jewelry must be conservative. Gauges, facial piercings, nose piercings, or tongue piercings are not permitted. Males may not have any visible piercings.
Cosmetics: Fingernails must be clean and well-groomed. Painted and acrylic nails must remain a reasonable length, color, and design. No claws, no points or sharp edges.
□ Sunglasses: Sunglasses may not be worn indoors without medical authorization from the nurse.
□ Ornamental Orthodontic Devices: No student may wear "grills" or other removable ornamental orthodontic devices at any time.
□ Tattoos: Tattoos are strongly discouraged. Students with tattoos may be asked to keep them covered.
☐ Facial Coverings: Must be worn properly and be of a medical style. Facial coverings must not be offensive or pose a distraction.