

## **PURPOSE**

Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish has adopted a uniform dress policy in order to facilitate the school's unique athletics curriculum and to ensure a uniform and neat appearance of the students. Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish expects students to keep themselves well-groomed, neatly dressed, and in uniform while at school or at school-related events.

## **I. POLICY**

A. Students are expected to comply with the uniform dress policy at all times during the regular school day.

B. General Modesty Standards:

1. Head: No midriff showing when child touches his/her head.
2. Shoulders: Shoulders should be fully covered, no cap sleeves, no tank tops or spaghetti straps.
3. Knees: Skirts and shorts should touch the top of the knees, and skirts must be worn with a "modesty short" underneath.
4. Toes: Toes and heels covered.

C. Dress Code:

1. Students' free exercise of religious beliefs through dress and appearance shall be protected;
2. Clothing should be clean and should fit properly; and
3. Parent/guardian(s) are advised to mark all removable clothing with the student's name in permanent ink.
4. Tops:
  - a. Athlos uniform top: Logo visible, collared, any color available from official website.
    - i. Optional second layer: Sweater, cardigan, zip-front jacket in a solid black color (no prints or patterns on jackets worn in class). Athlos logo jackets are available from the website.
  - b. Optional base layer: Students may wear solid-colored, long sleeve black or white shirts under their Athlos uniform top for warmth.
  - c. Outerwear such as coats, scarves, and boots worn outside and to/from school should be appropriate for current weather conditions and free of offensive words and graphics.

5. Bottoms:

- a. Shorts and pants: Athlos shorts and pants are available from the official website.
- b. Skorts: Athlos skorts are available from the official website. Solid black leggings or tights may be worn with the skort.

6. Footwear:

- a. Athletic shoes: Closed at toe and heel, with non-skid soles.
- b. Footwear should be appropriate for current weather conditions.

7. Accessories/Hair:

- a. Hairstyles are expected to be non-distracting and out of the student's eyes.
- b. Hair accessories are to be minimal and non-distracting.
- c. Jewelry and other accessories should be minimized so that it is not distracting or pose a safety threat.
- d. Hats or hoods will be worn outdoors only, and in the manner for which they were designed.

8. Backpacks:

- a. Backpacks must be free of offensive words and graphics.
- b. Backpacks are required to be clear or mesh.

D. Best Dress:

1. Parent/guardian(s) will be informed of Best Dress days as they arise.
2. General modesty standards apply.
3. Students may dress-up according to the following guidelines or remain in the school uniform.
  - a. Boys: Black or tan dress pants, dress shoes, button front shirts, ties optional.
  - b. Girls: Dresses or skirts must be knee length or longer, shoulders must be covered, and neckline must be modest, dress shoes or sandals (no flip-flops) are acceptable.

E. Fieldwork Dress:

1. Parent/guardian(s) will be informed of Fieldwork Dress days as they arise.
2. General modesty standards apply.

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3. Students may stay in uniform or wear clothing specified for the activity.
- F. If students are unsure as to where their clothing falls within these guidelines, they are encouraged to inquire with a school administrator or teacher before wearing them to school. Students may be required to change clothing at the discretion of school administration.
  - G. Families who qualify as economically disadvantaged are encouraged to contact the School Leader for participation in a uniform assistance program.
  - H. The School Leader may, at any time during the school year, grant an exemption from wearing a school uniform to a student because of extenuating circumstances. This decision is subject to *Policy 5501 – Communication and Grievance*.

### **Legal References:**

[L.A. R.S. 17:81](#) (*Powers and duties of school boards*)

[L.A. R.S. 17:416.7](#) (*Dress codes*)