

UNION ACADEMY MAGNET SCHOOL 2009-2010 DRESS CODE

Union Academy's dress code, which prevents appearance from distracting from the important business of learning, is enforced. Teachers will make a personal appearance check of their students each day. Any attire deemed inappropriate will be called to the attention of the student, and the parent will be contacted. The administration reserves the right to review dress code violations and enforce disciplinary action.

1. **Neatness** – All clothes should be pressed, coordinated, and clean. **Torn or frayed clothing is not permitted.** ALL SHIRTS MUST BE TUCKED IN PROPERLY WITH WAISTBANDS VISABLE AND BELTED. STUDENTS SHALL WEAR CLOTHING OF APPROPRIATE SIZE, AS DETERMINED BY ADMINISTRATOR EXERCISING JUDGEMENT. JACKETS AND SWEATERS MAY NOT BE WORN AROUND THE WAIST.
2. **Cleanliness** – Students should come to school with clean bodies, combed and clean hair, and brushed teeth.
3. **Tops** – A selection of standard tops has been chosen. Students may wear any of these on any day. If a shirt is worn under a standard shirt, it shall be white or a solid UA color.
4. **Pants** – Only KHAKI and NAVY twill cotton pants, shorts, skirts, skorts and jumpers are permitted. Pants that are frayed, cut, torn or expose the skin are NOT permitted. Pants with belt loops NEED BELTS. Pants shall be worn with the waistband at the waist, and NOT below the waist. Shorts and skirt lengths must be mid-thigh or longer (Polk County Code of Conduct). The dress code does not allow clothing with colored trim, stripes, embroidery or decorations.
5. **Jackets** – UA has a standard jacket for sale or students may wear SOLID navy, maroon, hunter green, ash, white or khaki jackets or sweatshirts (logos may not be larger than the standard UA logo). Hoods are NOT worn on school grounds. When the temperature is BELOW 50 DEGREES, students may need to wear a heavy coat to school, but it will be taken off in the classroom, and carried all day if above 50 degrees.
6. **Shoes** – Cleats, thongs, flip-flops, slides or sandals without heel straps may not be worn. Shoes and socks must be a matching pair. For safety, shoestrings must be tied and straps or flaps fastened properly. Socks must be a dress code color or black.
7. **Hats and sunglasses** – Hats, bandanas or other head coverings may not be worn anywhere at school. Sunglasses are not permitted except with proof of medical necessity.
8. **Overalls or overall jumpers are not permitted.**
9. **Fasteners** – All belts, buckles, straps, shoestrings and zippers will be fastened as designed. Chains of any kind are NOT permitted.
10. **Jewelry** – Earrings may be worn no longer than 2 inches below the ear. Nose rings, studded or gel/jelly bracelets and sweatbands are NOT permitted.
11. **Hair** – Bangs may NOT be worn below the eyebrows. Curlers, picks or other headgear are inappropriate. No colored hair such as green, blue, etc. No numbers, designs or writing may be shaved or cut into the hair. Hairstyle should not obstruct vision. Combs/brushes and grooming aids must be put away.
12. **Writing/Pictures** – No profanity or handwritten graffiti on clothing or skin is permitted. If at any time designs, pictures or writing on personal belongings causes concern in the school, parents will be notified.
13. **Accessories** – Backpacks, duffel/tote bags are NOT allowed. Radios, CD Players, cards electronic games and cameras are NOT permitted without administrative approval. PE clothes will be carried in plastic bags.
14. **Special attire** – When representing the school or on special occasions, attire will be specified.