

Scholar Uniform Policy

The school strongly supports scholars forming habits of mind that will lead to their lifelong success. The wearing of the uniform signifies community and the scholar's desire to attain excellence through focused effort. All scholars will be in uniform accordingly. Scholars who come to school inappropriately dressed will not be permitted to attend any classes until they are in proper uniform. The Uplift North Hills Preparatory administrative team is responsible for interpreting, implementing, and enforcing the dress code policy. The only exception to this section of the handbook is religious beliefs, and parents must consult with the administration about their specific concerns and how they affect the dress code. The Campus Director is the final arbiter in determining when attire is not acceptable.

EXPECTATIONS

- Scholars should only be permitted to enter the classroom if they are meeting the expectations for the UNHP Uniform Policy described in the Scholar Handbook.
- If the uniform violation is correctible, the teacher will request that the scholar correct the issue before entering class.
- If correcting a uniform violation causes a scholar to be tardy, the scholar will NOT be excused.
- If the uniform violation is not correctible, the 1st period teacher should treat the violation as a discipline issue and follow the 3-step process for discipline.
 - 1st offense: Remind scholar of rule
 - 2nd offense: Teacher contact parents and cc the MS Deans.
 - 3rd offense: Give teacher consequence and log in Kickboard

The following are scholar uniform requirements:

ID BADGES

Identification badges are considered part of the uniform code. All scholars must wear a school identification badge. Scholars will be given an identification badge and a lanyard at the beginning of the school year. The ID Badge should be worn at all times and be free of any mutilation.

BADGE REPLACEMENT POLICY

Scholars with damaged, altered, defaced, or lost ID badges shall purchase a replacement ID badge. A replacement fee of \$10.00 shall be assessed for each occurrence of a lost/damaged ID badge.

MONDAY PLATINUM (FORMAL) DRESS

Ties are required every Monday with white oxford button down shirt, starting the first Monday in October (October 2, 2022) through the last Monday in April (April 26, 2023) for scholars in grades 6 – 12.

SHIRTS

Scholars are required to wear long or short-sleeved white button-down oxford shirts or polo shirts with the UNHP Logo. The hem of all shirts must be fully tucked in all around waist and not rolled under. All shirt buttons, including the buttons on the collar points, must be buttoned during school hours. When a tie is required, the collar button must be buttoned during school hours. This is the only button that may be undone when not wearing a tie. On Tuesday – Friday, scholars may wear polo shirts with the UNHP logo in place of the oxford shirt.

PANTS

Pants must be worn appropriately and modestly. The following guidelines must be observed:

- Scholars must wear professional gray pants with belt loops. No gray jeans are allowed.
- Pants are to be worn at the natural waistline (no “hip huggers” or sagging)
- Hems may not touch the floor

BELTS

Scholars wearing pants must wear a belt every weekday that is black leather with a small, simple buckle. No designer or logo buckles are permitted. Scholars may not wear billfolds or watch chains that hang from the waist.

UNDERSHIRTS

Scholars may only wear a solid white, long or short sleeved T-shirt under the dress shirt or spirit polo shirt. Writing on undershirts or logos is not permitted underneath uniform shirts. Undershirts are to be tucked into the waistband of skirts/pants and the sleeves may not extend beyond the sleeves of the dress/polo shirt.

SKIRTS

Girls may wear the plaid skirt. Skirt length must be 3 inches in length from the crease in the back of the knee.

MODESTY SHORTS

All girls are required to wear modesty shorts or PE shorts under skirts. Modesty shorts must not be visible beyond the hem of the skirt.

SOCKS

Scholars are required to wear solid navy blue, black or white socks. Scholars are not permitted to wear socks with logos or patterns. Girls may wear solid navy, white opaque or black tights (toe to waist).

SHOES

Boys are required to wear a solid black leather dress shoe with non-scuff soles or the New Balance Black Athletic Lace Up (or any solid black leather tennis shoes with black soles and black laces).

Girls are required to wear a solid black leather ballet flat), the Classic Navy and White Saddle Oxford (or any similar navy and white saddle oxford), or the New Balance White Athletic Lace Up (or any solid white leather tennis shoes with white soles and white laces).

No other shoe options for boys or girls are allowed, including Toms, Sperrys, Vans, Converse, any athletic shoe for boys that is not solid black leather (logos and soles included) or any athletic shoe for girls that is not solid white leather (logos and soles included). The athletic shoes pictured above can be worn for both PE and with the school uniform.



SWEATERS, JACKETS, AND SWEATSHIRTS

In MS, school-color green sweaters, sweatshirts and fleeces from Mill's (our uniform supplier) can be worn inside the classrooms Monday – Friday in grades 6 – 8. Only sweaters are allowed on Mondays. No sweatshirts and fleeces are allowed on Mondays.

Cold-weather jackets may be worn outside but not inside the classrooms.

HEADWEAR

Scholars are not permitted to wear hats, caps, visors, sunglasses or other headwear during school hours. All hair accessories and cultural head covers must be of school colors (navy blue, dark green, white, black or white in solid colors).

HAIR, FACIAL HAIR, MAKEUP, NAIL POLISH AND JEWELRY

Secondary students' hair, facial hair, makeup, nail polish or jewelry cannot be a distraction, nor can it impede upon student learning or school activities. All hair including facial hair must be clean, neatly groomed. Hair must not cover the eyes. Determination of any violation is at the discretion of the administration.

BACKPACKS

Backpacks should be standard size and free of offensive symbols or words. Rolling backpacks are not permitted without written instructions from a doctor.

COMPETITION DRESS

Scholars are required to wear Platinum Dress to all competitions at school and at off-site locations unless there is prior permission given from the Director.

COLLEGE/SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAYS

On Fridays, secondary scholars are encouraged to wear college t-shirts, polos, or sweatshirts/hoodies with their uniform pants/skirts and shoes. Scholars may also choose to wear North Hills spirit t-shirts with their uniform pants/skirts and shoes on Fridays.

CASUAL DAYS

Casual dress days for Secondary students will be made available at designated times throughout the school year. All scholars in good academic and disciplinary standing will have a casual day the last day of each quarter. Casual dress privileges may be revoked for scholars who do not comply with all dress code policies, as determined by the administration.

On approved casual days, only shirts that do not display offensive language or images of violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco or the occult may be worn. It must have sleeves, cover the midriff area and is not low-cut. Shorts and skirts adhering to the uniform code for length may be worn and must not be torn or have holes. Leggings are permitted only with a top or dress worn over that adheres to the uniform code for length. Clothing must follow the same guidelines for fit and length as comparable to the uniform.

PE/ATHLETICS UNIFORM

Scholars taking a P.E. course are required to wear the UNHP approved P.E. uniform:

- Warm Weather: Scholars are to wear UNHP PE t-shirts, shorts, and athletic shoes with white socks.
- Cold Weather: Scholars may wear UNHP spirit sweatshirts, sweatpants, or wind suits.