

# Lindale Middle School

## Uniform Policy



The purpose of our school wide uniform policy is to provide our students with an equitable learning environment; one that's free from bullying and judgment, while creating unity and community spirit. Lindale Middle supports scientific research stating that uniforms can improve the learning by reducing distractions, sharpening focus on schoolwork, and allowing students to perform better academically. Please help us stress the importance of following the uniform policy by making sure that your child is coming to school dressed appropriately every day!

### General Information:

- All school uniform exception days will be announced in the school newsletter, team weekly, and via Connect Ed.
- Violations to the school uniform policy will be subject to the disciplinary action in accordance with the AACPS Code of Student Conduct.

### Tops:

- Tops must be **solid** blue, white, grey or black in color; long or short sleeved, or **solid** collared polo style shirt in the same approved colors, with two or three buttons, and **may contain a small symbol and no words**.
- **Solid** blue, grey, black or white crewneck sweatshirts which may contain a small symbol and no words, may be worn over the uniform approved shirt.
- **Solid** blue, grey, black or white button or zip cardigans, or quarter- zip sweaters, may be worn over the uniform approved shirt, which may contain a small symbol and no words.
- **Solid** white, blue, grey, or black short or solid white, blue, grey, or black long sleeve t-shirts, solid white, black, blue, grey compression shirts or solid white, blue, grey, or black turtlenecks may be worn *under* the approved uniform shirt.
- **Outside jackets of any kind and hooded sweatshirts or sweaters are to be placed in lockers. They are NOT allowed to be worn in the building during the school day.**
- **Polo shirts supporting school sponsored activities are permitted during the school day. (i.e.: Music, STEM, and Dance).**

### Bottoms:

- Boys are required to wear navy blue, black, grey, or khaki pants or shorts. Cargo pants/ shorts are allowed.
- Girls may elect to wear blue, black, grey or khaki capris, pants, skirts, skorts, jumpers or shorts. **No denim material or jeans are permitted.**
- Skorts, skirts, jumpers and shorts must be mid-thigh in length.
- Belts are to be worn securely through the pant loops around the waist.
- Sweatpants, light-washed and/or distressed jeans, leggings, tights, are NOT allowed; no cut-offs are permitted.

**Socks/Tights:**

- Socks must be worn with athletic shoes during gym classes.
- Tights and leggings can be worn under skirts, shorts, and jumpers.

**Shoes:**

- Shoes must be safe and fully enclose the foot.
- Athletic shoes are strongly recommended and required for physical education classes.
- Flip flops, slides, slippers, house shoes, and sandals are NOT permitted.

**Jewelry and accessories:**

- Necklaces, earrings, bracelets, rings, ties and scarves are permitted and must be appropriate for school.
- Hats, Bandanas, “Do-rags,” wave caps, or bandana like headwear, face coverings, sunglasses are not permitted (*these items are only permitted for health, safety, or religious reasons*).

**Purses:**

- *Small purse, able to fit and 5”x 7” index card or photo, may be carried during the school day, but must be carried over one shoulder, or across the body. NO books may be carried in them.*
- String bags, book bags, fanny packs, belt bags, and backpack style purses, must be put in lockers for the duration of the school day.

**Additional Clothing:**

Blue, white, grey, or black V-neck sweaters, cardigans, sweatshirts without hoods, and Lindale Middle School sweatshirts (without hoods) may be worn over uniforms during the school day. College sweatshirts clearly stating the name of the college/university and do not have hoods, may be worn. Hoodies, coats, jackets, and hats must be kept in lockers.

Students may wear non-collared Lindale Middle School Spirit Wear T-shirts, College Shirts (long sleeve or short sleeve T-shirts), Club shirts and Club T-shirts with the appropriate uniform bottoms.

**Consequences for not following the Uniform Policy:**

**Students that are out of compliance with the policy, will be addressed in homeroom and by administration progressively.**

**1st Infraction - Verbal Warning from Advisory teacher**

**2nd Infraction - Verbal Warning from Advisory teacher; Advisory teacher contacts Parent/Guardian**

**3rd Infraction - Verbal Warning from Advisory teacher; Advisory teacher contacts Parent/Guardian, reviews the uniform policy, & provides alternative clothing.**

**4th Infraction - Student receives MIR and has a conference with an administrator; Administrator contacts Parent/Guardian, reviews procedure and progressive consequences, & provides alternative clothing.**

**5th Infraction - Student receives 2nd MIR and has a conference with an administrator; Administrator contacts Parent/Guardian & provides administrative consequence.**

**\*\*\*Progressive discipline will occur with further infractions of insubordination. Uniform consequences will start over at the beginning of each quarter.**

**Thank you for supporting scholarly dress at Lindale Middle School!**