## UNIFORM POLICY

## POLICY ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

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## LOOK SMART. WORK SMART. UNIFORMS AT GWA

At GWA we believe that students work best and achieve more when their uniform is comfortable, functionable and smart.

## UNIFORM: EARLY YEARS

- School Lanyard to be tied to school bag
- Regulation light blue polo shirt with GWA logo; no visible shirt should be showing underneath
- Regulation GWA navy blue shorts or trousers for boys
- Regulation GWA navy blue skorts, shorts or trousers for girls
- Regulation GWA navy blue sweater, GWA zipped fleece, GWA representative house jumper (optional)
- Students can wear trainers/sneakers or other shoes that have a back. Open-toed shoes are not allowed. Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are not allowed. Shoe colour should be conservative
- Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable
- A large water bottle


## UNIFORM: GRADE 1-5

- School Lanyard to be tied to school bag or worn
- Regulation light blue polo shirt with GWA logo,no visible shirt should be showing underneath.
- GWA navy blue shorts / trousers for primary boys
- Black belts, if needed
- Regulation GWA navy blue skirts, skorts or trousers for girls
- Regulation GWA navy blue sweater, GWA zipped fleece, GWA representative house or sport jumper (optional)
- In Primary, students can wear trainers/sneakers or other shoes that have a back. Open-toed shoes are not allowed. Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are not allowed. Shoe colour should be conservative
- Only discrete jewellery (minimal stud earrings, simple necklaces or bracelets)
- Natural makeup only
- A large water bottle

UNIFORM: GRADE 6-10

- School Lanyard to be worn around neck
- Regulation dark blue polo shirt with GWA logo (optional); no visible shirt should be showing underneath. Shirts to be tucked in at all times
- GWA navy blue shorts or trousers for boys. Regulation GWA navy blue skirts, skorts or trousers for girls


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- Regulation GWA navy blue sweater, GWA zipped fleece, GWA representative house or sport jumper (optional)
- Black or white socks for students
- Black shoes
- Only discrete jewellery (minimal stud earrings, simple necklaces or bracelets)
- Natural makeup only
- Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable
- A large water bottle


## UNIFORM: GRADES 11 AND 12

Our Grade 11 and 12 students are both role models for the Academy, and ambassadors for GWA.

- School Lanyard to be worn around neck
- GWA White polo shirt (short or long sleeve) or GWA Senior School jacket (Grade 12 on Fridays) is required as the outermost layer of clothing for girls and boys
- Suit style trousers for boys and tailored trousers or knee length skirts for girls
- Black shoes (heel height should be no more than 3 cm )
- A large water bottle


## PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE) UNIFORM AND CLOTHING

Students must wear the appropriate uniform and specific shoes for PE classes, including swimming, as per the Academy uniform requirements. Students are to wear school uniform each day, except for the PE/swim lesson days.

## PE UNIFORM: PREK - GRADE 12

- T-Shirt in GWA branded uniform in House colours of: red (Sina), green (Zuhr), yellow (Battuta) and blue (Razi)
- GWA Navy Blue PE Shorts or GWA Navy Blue Leggings (G6-12 Females)
- $\quad$ Shorts are GWA branded uniform in House colours
- Sports Trainers (not Converse, Vans or other non supportive shoe)
- Secondary: blue or black swimwear (one piece for girls)
- Primary: GWA branded swimwear (one piece for girls). See the J20 site here:

The PE uniform in PreK to Grade 12 may be worn all day on PE and Swimming days.



## PURCHASING UNIFORM

The specified uniforms for Academy wear are available at THREADS Uniform Shops in Dubai. THREADS City Mall - Global Village (Tel: +971-4-429-1360). Students must wear only uniform items during Academy hours. If a student arrives at the Academy not in regulation attire, parents will be contacted and may be required to bring in missing uniform pieces and, or be, subject to consequences.

## APPENDIX 1: EARLY YEARS

| Uniform Item | Boys | Girls |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Top | GWA light blue polo shirt with dark <br> blue sleeves | GWA light blue polo shirt with dark blue <br> sleeves |
| Bottom | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR <br> Navy blue shorts <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit <br> material are not permitted | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR <br> Navy blue skort <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit material <br> are not permitted |
| Cool weather <br> options | GWA sweater <br> GWA zipped fleece <br> GWA representative jumper | GWA sweater <br> GWA zipped fleece <br> GWA representative jumper |
| Shoes | Students can wear trainers/sneakers <br> or other shoes that have a back <br> Open-toed shoes are not allowed <br> Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are <br> not allowed <br> Shoe colour should be conservative | Students can wear trainers/sneakers or <br> other shoes that have a back <br> Open-toed shoes are not allowed <br> Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are not <br> allowed <br> Shoe colour should be conservative |
| Other | A large water bottle needed each day |  | A large water bottle needed each day |  |
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## APPENDIX 2: PRIMARY

| Uniform Item | Boys | Girls |
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| Top | GWA formal blue shirt (optional) <br> GWA light blue polo shirt - tucked in | GWA formal blue shirt (optional) <br> GWA light blue polo shirt - tucked in |
| Bottom | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR |


|  | Navy blue shorts, cut on the knee <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit material are not permitted | Navy blue skirt or skort, cut on or below the knee <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit material are not permitted |
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| Cool weather options | GWA sweater GWA zipped fleece GWA representative jumper | GWA sweater <br> GWA zipped fleece <br> GWA representative jumper |
| Shoes | Students can wear trainers/sneakers or other shoes that have a back Open-toed shoes are not allowed Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are not allowed <br> Shoe colour should be conservative | Students can wear trainers/sneakers or other shoes that have a back <br> Open-toed shoes are not allowed <br> Shoes with cleats (football shoes) are not allowed <br> Shoe colour should be conservative |
| Belt | Black belt (optional) | Black belt (optional) |
| Other | - Only discrete jewellery (minimal stud earrings, simple necklaces or bracelets) <br> - Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable <br> - Hair should be neatly styled <br> - A large water bottle needed each day | - Only discrete jewellery (minimal stud earrings, simple necklaces or bracelets) <br> - Natural makeup only <br> - Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable <br> - Hair should be neatly styled <br> - A large water bottle needed each day |

## APPENDIX 3: GRADES 6-10

| Uniform <br> Item | Boys | Girls |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Top | GWA formal blue shirt (optional) / Dark <br> Blue polo shirt | GWA formal blue shirt (optional) /Dark <br> Blue Polo short |
| Bottom | Navy blue formal shorts or trousers | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR <br> Navy blue skirt cut on or below the knee. <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit <br> material are not permitted <br> Girls in Grades 6-8 may wear skorts cut <br> on or below the knee <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit <br> material are not permitted |
| Cool | GWA sweater | GWA sweater |

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| weather options | GWA zipped fleece GWA representative jumper | GWA zipped fleece GWA representative jumper |
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| Socks | Black | Black |
| Shoes | Black with no other colours showing | Black with no other colours showing |
| Belt | Black belt (optional) | Black belt (optional) |
| Other | - Only discrete jewellery <br> - No makeup, including nail varnish can be worn <br> - Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable <br> - Hair should be neatly styled <br> - A large water bottle is needed each day | - Only discrete jewellery (minimal stud earrings, simple necklaces or bracelets) <br> - Natural makeup <br> - Visible body piercings and/or tattoos are not acceptable <br> - Hair should be neatly styled <br> - A large water bottle is needed eact day |

## APPENDIX 4: GRADES 11 AND 12

Students in Grades 11 and 12 are required to white GWA long or short sleeve polo shirt with blue trousers. Our Grade 11 and 12 students are both role models for the Academy and ambassadors for GWA, attire worn to the Academy should be in keeping with both these roles. Students are expected to maintain a high standard of appearance at all times and to adhere to the Academy rules regarding the dress code. Clothing must be practical, comfortable and modest.

| Uniform Item | Boys | Girls |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Top <br> outermost <br> layer | GWA Senior School Jacket <br> Senior school jacket (Friday only) | GWA Senior School Jacket <br> Senior school jacket (Friday only) |
| Top | GWA White polo shirt | GWA White polo shirt |
| Bottom | Navy blue formal trousers | Navy blue formal trousers <br> OR <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit <br> material are not permitted <br> the knee <br> Skinny trousers, jeans or tracksuit material <br> are not permitted |


|  |  | Skirts with high slits, ruffles or billows are not permitted |
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| Socks | Socks should match the trouser | Socks should match the trouser or skirt <br> If stockings are worn, they should be neutral or black |
| Shoes | Black shoes (no other colours s material with either a lace, buckle rise of the shoe should be no mor and enclose the toes. <br> Shoes not permitted: boots, flip flopsis suede shoes, and any other colou grey or dark brown. | owing) with predominantly leather upper or Velcro fastening mechanism. The sole or than 3 cm . Shoes must have a solid back <br> ps, sandals, canvas shoes, suede shoes, leather style shoes other than black, dark |
| Other | Hair should be neatly styled <br> Jewellery must be discrete and not disrupt learning <br> No visible body piercings or tattoos <br> If worn, facial hair should be well-groomed and workplace appropriate <br> If worn, cologne/body spray must be lightly applied <br> A large water bottle is needed each day | Hair should be neatly styled <br> Jewellery must be discrete and not disrupt learning <br> No visible body piercings or tattoos other than stud earrings in each lobe <br> Accessories should not be distracting or disruptive to lessons <br> If worn, nail polish should be transparent or light-coloured <br> If worn, makeup must be light <br> If worn, perfume/body spray must be lightly applied <br> A large water bottle is needed each day |

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