

Al Fatih Academy School Uniform Policy 2011 - 2012



In order to maintain a focused academic atmosphere, students attending Kindergarten and above grades are required to wear a uniform. Uniforms may be purchased online at French Toast (www.frenchtoast.com, AFA Code -QS5XMPK) or at local retailers like Target, Walmart, Burlington Coat Factory, Sears, JC Penny, Gap and Old Navy. *(Please refer to the student handbook for the full uniform policy and dress code.)*

It is impossible to address every uniform question that can/may arise during a school year. The principal is the final authority regarding uniform questions not specifically covered below.

Girls' uniforms for grades K - 4 consist of the following:

- A white or navy blue, short or long sleeve plain Polo shirt (no ties, ribbons, lacy/ruffled collars). Peter pan blouse, button down collar, turtleneck or sweat shirts are all acceptable.
- Plain straight leg khaki pants, khaki skirt or navy blue or khaki jumper.
- Khaki cargo-pants, sweat pants and jeans are **NOT** acceptable.

Girls' uniforms for grades 5 - 8 consist of the following:

- A white or navy blue long sleeve plain shirt (no ties, ribbons, lacy/ruffled collars). Peter pan blouse, button down collar, turtleneck are all acceptable. Short sleeves are not acceptable.
- A navy blue or khaki jumper that comes to at least mid-thigh.
- Plain straight leg khaki pants or ankle length khaki shirt.
- Khaki cargo-pants, sweat pants and jeans are **NOT** acceptable.

Headscarves:

- All girls must have a plain white or Navy blue headscarf in their possession at all times. Scarves of other colors with patterns are not acceptable. Headscarves must be worn during prayer and Quran reading/recitation.
- Headscarves are optional, and they are not a required part of the school uniform. If worn, the students must choose the appropriate color and style based on their grade level.
- Girls in Preschool – 4th grade can wear plain white or plain navy scarves that are one piece (pull-on) – **no pins**.
- Girls in 5th – 8th grade can wear plain white or plain navy scarves in the style of their choice.
- Girls will store their headscarf in a Ziploc bag labeled with their name in the classroom.

Boys' uniforms for grades K - 8 consist of the following:

- A white or navy blue, short or long sleeve plain Polo shirt, button down collar, turtleneck or sweat shirts are all acceptable.
- Plain straight leg khaki pants.
- Khaki cargo-pants, sweat pants and jeans are **NOT** acceptable.
- Pants will not be excessively loose or tight.

All boys and girls must adhere to the following:

- No logos, designs, or lettering should appear on any of the clothing. All clothing should be loose fitting.
- Shirts will be hip length and long enough so as not to reveal the midriff during salat.
- All outerwear (sweaters, jackets, sweatshirts, etc.) will be plain navy blue or white.
- No hats will be worn indoors.
- Shoes should be sturdy enough for outdoor play.
- Students must be in uniform during field trips unless otherwise instructed.
- Students must maintain a modest appearance at all times, avoiding tight clothing and any revealing apparel.
- Uniforms must be worn properly and neatly, be in good repair, and of correct color and shade. Torn or faded garments are not acceptable. Clothing should be marked with the student's name.
- A student who is not in acceptable uniform will be given a written notice. After 3 notices, parents will be called to pick up their child from school.

Pre-School/Pre-Kindergarten Guidelines

Although the Pre-School/Pre-Kindergarten does not require uniform attire, it is never too early to begin to help our children to discern modesty and discretion in choosing apparel appropriate for their age and activities. They will need your assistance and guidance in choosing comfortable play clothes and shoes. Below are a few guidelines in choosing appropriate attire, plus a few items to avoid.

- For safety reasons, only post earrings will be allowed, no other jewelry, please.
- Tennis shoes with socks provide the best support for safety and for development of large motor skills. Sandals, crocs and boots are unsafe on the playground and are not allowed.
- Colored nail polish should not be worn to school.
- Comfortable play clothes should have manageable belts, snaps, zippers, and buttons to prevent undue stress for your child and/or teacher during restroom time. If your child cannot manage the buckles or suspenders and shoulder straps during restroom time, the garment is inappropriate for school.
- Skirts and shorts should be a modest length when standing and sitting. For play and work please have girls wear shorts under skirts for freedom and comfort on the playground. Mini-skirts, bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, and see-through shirts are unacceptable for school attire.
- Please avoid clothing with lettering/messages or media images.
- Please provide an extra change of appropriate seasonal clothing available in a clearly labeled zip lock bag at all times.