

# **UNIFORM POLICY & PURCHASING**

Washington Latin believes that appearance is important and requires students to meet the highest standards of dress and deportment. We see families as our partners in ensuring that students come to school each day as representatives of our school community.

School uniforms are an important part of the culture at Washington Latin. Uniforms serve many purposes; foundational among them is that they communicate the shared objective of learning and that the school is a place for serious academic pursuits. The school uniform can also help to alleviate anxiety about dress choices for school and reduce non- academic distractions in the school environment.

We require all students to wear uniforms and always adhere to the Uniform Policy while in the school building and at school-sponsored functions. Students' personal presentation should reflect modesty, neatness, and cleanliness. Students are not to wear hats or other headwear except for medical reasons or as personal religious beliefs dictate.

All Washington Latin administration and faculty will strictly enforce the following Uniform Policy. Failure to adhere to the Uniform Policy will result in strategic intervention or disciplinary action; chronic non- adherence may lead to additional discipline action. Washington Latin also reserves the right to change this policy as needed.

# Daily School-wide Uniform

Uniforms are to be worn with careful attention to proper presentation, appearance, and sizing. The basic Latin uniform consists of khaki (tan) or navy slacks or dress pants and a collared white, gray, or navy polo shirt with the Latin logo. Please see the following list of acceptable items and other notes.

#### **Shirts**

- A navy, gray, or white long- or short-sleeved polo shirt with school logo.
- You may purchase plain white, gray or navy polos from any store of your choice. This can be worn with a logo patch you sew on yourself (available at the Latin School Store), or a logo added by G-Land for a small fee.
- Seniors may wear a plain, white, gray, or navy, collared shirt (professional wear).

### Sweaters/Sweatshirts

• Students may wear navy, gray or white sweaters and sweatshirts; sweaters and sweatshirts must either have the Latin logo or be completely solid and plain.

- You may purchase navy sweaters/vests/cardigans from any store of your choice and then add the logo. This can be with a patch you sew on yourself (available at the Latin School Store), or a logo added by G-Land for a nominal fee.
- Students must wear a collared shirt under their sweater or sweatshirt.

### Pants, skirts and dresses and other bottoms

- Khaki (tan) or navy slacks or dress pants, shorts, or skirts. *Blue jeans, sweatpants, and variations of brown and olive green are strictly not allowed.*
- Khaki or navy pants, shorts or skirts may be purchased from a store of your choice. G-Land and Land's End offer them, but you do not have to purchase from them.
- Students may wear solid leggings or tights in navy, gray, white, or black with shorts and skirts. *Fishnet leggings and stockings are not allowed.*
- Students may wear a navy polo dress with school logo (available through Lands End only).
- Also allowed are khaki (tan) jumpers with school logo, worn with a collared shirt underneath.

#### Outerwear

• Coats, jackets, gloves, hats, skullcaps, and head wraps must be removed once students enter the building, except as medical reasons or personal religious beliefs dictate.

#### Footwear

- Students must wear closed-toe shoes. Slip-ons or open-toed sandals are not allowed.
- Shoes and socks should be school appropriate. Beyond this, there are no specific restrictions on color, etc.

# Physical Education and Athletics Wear

- **5th and 6th grade** Students are required to purchase their physical education uniforms: a gray Latin shirt, cardinal Latin mesh shorts, gray Latin crewneck sweatshirt, and gray Latin sweatpants. The sweatshirt may also be worn during school and in the classroom. Families need to purchase all items only from GLand Uniforms or at the PFA Used Uniform sales (occasional sales are held at both campuses.)
- *7th and 8th grade* Students purchase athletic team uniforms directly from Washington Latin. Our team coaches or the Athletics Director will provide a form to all students seasonally with details.
- *Upper School* Athletic team uniforms are provided to all players by the school and are expected to be returned at the end of the season. If a uniform is lost or damaged, the student will be required to pay the replacement cost.
- Neither athletic wear nor sleep wear may be worn except as enumerated in this policy.

# **Purchasing Uniforms**

Latin uniforms are available from the following vendors. Every item that you find in our sections with these vendors has been pre-approved by the school.

• G-Land – <a href="http://g-landuniform.com/">http://g-landuniform.com/</a> to order; G-Land 1516 Wisconsin Ave NW to pick up orders

- Flynn and O'Hara www.flynnohara.com/School-Landing
- Lands End www.landsend.com/school, select "Find Your School's Dress Code."

## Logo Patches

You can purchase logo patches to sew onto plain polo shirts, jackets, sweaters, etc.
These will be available at the start of school events and throughout the year at the front desk.

## Used Uniforms - \$3/each

- The Parent-Faculty Association sells gently used uniform items donated by other Latin families. For a nominal contribution to the PFA, you can add to your child(ren)'s wardrobe and save the planet!
- We accept donations of clean, gently used items throughout the year at the front offices of both campuses.
- Sales are ongoing throughout the year and most active at the start of school. You can purchase used uniforms at these events. Note that we do not have an ongoing used uniform store.
- Payments can be made with cash, check, or through PayPal (use the button on the <u>School Store page</u> of our website.)