

Uniform Policies and Guidelines

A higher standard of dress encourages greater respect for individuals, students and others, and results in a higher standard of behavior. As a result, the students at HAAS will be expected to wear school uniforms and follow the dress code as set forth in this written policy. Furthermore, the faculty at HAAS is mindful of the fact that the uniform needs for the Elementary school students may differ from those of the Middle School students in some respects.

As times change, so may the policies and guidelines as they relate to the uniform requirements at HAAS. Therefore, it is anticipated that this policy may be amended, altered and changed throughout the years. It is expected that any changes will be first addressed by interested members of both the faculty and parents, and then brought before the SAC for approval, with final approval being made at the HAAS principal's discretion. This policy will attempt to distinguish between Elementary School students and Middle School students wherever differences are applicable. In the absence of a specific indication that a policy applies to either Elementary School students or Middle School students, it shall be assumed that the policy applies equally to both.

The following guidelines apply to all students at HAAS, whether the students are in Elementary or Middle School, with appropriate indications where a policy differs slightly between Elementary and Middle School students. In the absence of a specific indication that a policy applies to either Elementary School students or Middle School students, it shall be assumed that the policy applies equally to both.

SHIRTS:

All students must wear a HAAS designated school shirt, which will be purchased through a HAAS approved uniform company. The shirts will be emblazoned with a school logo. Shirts will be worn tucked in and must be in good condition.

► **Elementary School:**

- **Uniform Shirts:** Elementary students will be required to wear a red or white polo shirt with school logo purchased from Planet T, our uniform provider. Shirts must be tucked in and in good condition.
- **Undershirts:** Elementary students at HAAS are permitted to wear red or white undershirts under their red or white uniform polo shirt.
- **PE Shirts:** Students may only wear the PE shirt on the designated PE days. The PE shirt must also be worn on every school field trip as part of their required field trip attire.

► **Middle School:**

- **Uniform Shirts:** Middle school students will be required to wear Navy Blue Polo's or light blue oxford shirt with school logo purchased from Planet T, our school uniform provider. The shirt must be tucked in, clean, ironed, in good condition, and buttoned (only top 2 buttons permitted open).
- **Under Shirts:** Middle School students at HAAS are permitted to wear navy or white undershirts under their HAAS approved light blue oxford shirt.
- **PE Shirts:** Students may only wear the PE shirt on the designated PE days. The PE shirt must also be worn on every school field trip as part of their required field trip attire.

PANTS:

All elementary and middle school students at HAAS are required to wear either dark khaki or navy blue UNIFORM pants. Very light Khaki pants are not permitted. Uniform Bottoms may be in the form of long pants, capris, shorts, or skorts.

These pants may be purchased from the designated uniform provider, Planet T, or at a HAAS approved uniform store. Please see HAAS website under Uniform Information for a list of other approved providers for HAAS bottoms. Effective in the 2015-16 school year all uniform bottoms must be purchased from Planet T Uniforms. You may only purchase pants that are sold as “uniforms” or “School Uniforms”.

Cargo pants, tight pants, pants worn too low, pants in poor condition or pants with various adornments, will NOT be permitted.

BELTS:

Belts must be worn on all pants that have belt loops. Belts must be navy, black, brown or khaki...

JEWELRY:

Jewelry at all times must be tasteful and tactful. Unusual body piercing will not be permitted. The HAAS Administration has the final word on what jewelry will be permitted. Final decisions regarding tastefulness will rest with the Administration.

- **Elementary School** students will not be permitted to wear large hoop earrings.
- **Middle School** students will not be permitted to wear hoop earrings that are extremely large or distracting according to the opinions of Administration.

MAKE-UP:

- **Elementary School** students are not permitted to wear make-up.
- **Middle School** students are permitted to wear tasteful and tactful make-up.

HAIR:

Hair must be kept neat and clean. Middle School students may color their hair, as long as the coloring is tasteful and not distracting. Unnatural colors are not permitted. Blonde highlights are permitted at the Middle School level. Final decisions regarding tastefulness will rest with Administration.

HATS:

No hats, bandanas, or hoods may be worn. Exceptions may be made for spirit type hats, or head coverings, as Administration sees fit.

PURSES:

HAAS students are permitted to carry purses; however, HAAS is not responsible for the loss of any items brought to school in purses.

SHOES:

Students must wear closed shoes at all times. Exceptions may be made for certain occasions of dress up, such as Honor Roll Assemblies and dances. No heavy military boots or shoes with metal tips are permitted. **“Heelys” (tennis shoes with wheels) are not permitted. Flip Flops will not be permitted.** The final word on the acceptance of any type of shoe permitted will be left up to the discretion of Administration.

Not complying/following school dress code policy (to include but not limited to, not tucking in clothes, not wearing “cargo” bottoms, clothes too short/long, belt not worn with pants with belt loops, wearing “designer” labeled clothing, etc.):

1. First Offense: Verbal Warning
2. Second Offense: Letter/Phone Call Home to Parent/Guardian
3. Third Offense: Administrative Detention
4. Fourth Offense: Internal suspension
5. Repeated Offense: Internal/External Suspension

Sweatshirts and Outerwear: HAAS students may **only wear navy sweatshirts or jackets**, either with or without the HAAS school logo. In addition, the fleece jackets and windbreakers previously sold to HAAS families by earlier vendors will also be permitted. These fleece jackets and windbreakers are emblazoned with the school logo for identification.

Students may ONLY wear school sweaters if chilly during the school day. Outerwear should be labeled with student name for Lost & Found purposes.

HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLIES:

- **Elementary School:** Honor Roll Assemblies are special “dress up” days for elementary students. Children receiving an award may wear the regulation uniform on that day, or choose to dress up to receive their award. It is NOT a dress down day. On Honor Roll Assembly days, children may deviate from the closed toe shoe policy, as discussed under “Shoes”, above.
- **Middle School:** students are required to wear the regulation blue oxford uniform shirt and a uniform bottom to the Honor Roll ceremony.

CASUAL FRIDAYS:

The Administration at HAAS has declared Fridays to be “Casual Fridays” for Middle School students only. This declaration will be reevaluated yearly to assess its success. The following information applies to this declaration:

► On Fridays, Middle School students may wear any HAAS sanctioned shirts. For example: PE shirt, Specialty Field Trip Shirt, HAAS Knights shirts, etc.

GENERAL:

At no time are students to wear anything offensive, immodest or deemed inappropriate by the faculty. Outerwear should be labeled with student name for Lost & Found purposes

Parents of students in Grades K and 1 are required to leave a Ziploc bag labeled with the child’s name with a spare change of clothes in the classroom throughout the year.

P.E. CLOTHING:

Students in Grades K-8 students may wear the school PE shirt on PE days only or on Field Trips.

SPIRIT DAYS:

Students may only participate in dress down day on designated days according to the school calendar. Any student out of uniform on a school day that is not dress down day will call home for a change of clothing. Students must dress within the parameters of the dress code outlined in the **Broward County Code of Student Conduct on Dress Down days.**

Spirit Day will consist of “jeans” black or blue (denim pants, shorts, or a skirt to the knees) and a shirt of the student’s choice. *Students are not allowed to wear “leggings”, short skirts (above knees), or wear pants that are falling down. All dress down jeans must be free of holes, tears, and rips, and cannot be missing buttons.*