

## WILKES-BARRE ACADEMY STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are required to wear school uniforms at all times when attending Wilkes-Barre Academy. School uniforms are pre-designated outfits available for purchase through Flynn & O'Hara (1492 Route 315 Highway Wilkes-Barre, inside the Sunshine Market).

When wearing the school uniform, the following guidelines will be required:

1. All shirts must be tucked in to shorts/pants/skirts/skorts to present a tidy appearance.
2. Belts of brown, tan, or black color are to be worn with pants or shorts.
3. Shoes: Leather or suede shoes must be worn with school uniforms.

NO Sneakers or sneaker like shoes are permitted. Colors—Solid **black, brown, gray, tan, or burgundy** including shoe laces; however saddle shoes are permitted. No boots (Uggs, rain boots, hiking boots, etc.) are allowed. Shoe heels may not exceed one and one-half inches in height. Sneakers or sandals may be worn with shorts or skorts only and only when shorts are permitted.

4. No shorts may be worn during the period between October 14<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>.
5. Socks, tights, or knee socks must be white, gray, or burgundy in color. Tan socks may only be worn with long pants. Sneaker socks may only be worn with sneakers. Knee socks and tights may only be in solid or geometric patterns (striped, argyle, etc.) and must be white, burgundy, or gray. Characters and images are permitted on silly sock days only.
6. Gym uniforms and sneakers must be worn on gym days. No writing may be on shirts; sleeves and pants may not be cut, torn, or shredded. Gym shorts may only be worn during the months shorts are permitted and must be an appropriate length reaching two inches above the knee. Tops may not be tied or banded in any way. \*\*\*\*\*T-shirts from school clubs or activities may be worn only if they are in the school colors.
7. Jackets, hats/bandanas, or outerwear are not to be worn in the building including gym sweatshirts, Hoodies, or zip up fleeces. Gym sweatshirts and hoodies may only be worn with gym clothing.
8. No theatrical, black, or distracting hair color or makeup is permitted. This includes hair styles such as Mohawks, shaved designs, etc. as well as pink, blue, bright red colors, etc.
9. No hanging chains, jewelry, pins/badges, or accessories that hang outside of uniforms or detract from classroom safety may be worn.
10. Piercings are permitted in ears only.
11. No tattoos, either temporary or permanent, will be permitted. Writing and artwork on skin is also prohibited.
12. Any clothing or item that distracts from classroom safety or education is not permitted.
13. Rolling of waistband to shorten hem length is not permitted. Short/skort/skirt length should remain two inches above the knee.

**Please note:** Continual dress code violations may result in a detention.

**DETENTION:** (Applies to 5-8 grade students only)-While we hope students choose to avoid disciplinary consequences, we must remind parents that students serving after school detention shall remain in detention from 3:45pm until 4:15pm. They may not participate in after school activities and must remain in detention room until parent pick-up. Students not in compliance with dress code or other school policies will choose to receive disciplinary consequences in accordance with school procedure.

#### DRESS DOWN DAYS

Dress Down Days are privileges and can be eliminated if students do not choose to dress in an appropriate manner on these days.

1. Shirts with sleeves are required. Shirts may not be tied or banded. (No spaghetti straps, tanks, or sleeveless shirts).
2. Skirts or shorts should be two inches above the knee or capris can be worn.
3. No bare backs, bellies, or chests are allowed.
4. No shirts with inappropriate writing, characters, or musical groups/artists are allowed
5. No ripped, torn, or cut clothing is acceptable.
6. No pajama bottoms or pajama-like clothing is permitted.

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