

J. Frank White Academy Upper School Dress Code 2023-2024

General Guidelines for the JFWA Upper School Dress Code

- Students are expected to report to school already properly attired for the dress code for that day. Students who report to school out of dress code will be given a dress code violation; and may be asked to change into dress code compliant clothing before beginning their day. This can also result in detentions, and in the instance of repeated extreme violations, suspension.
- Students who change into other attire for college classes are expected to return to the appropriate dress code for that day immediately upon returning to any JFWA building. This is not an excuse to be tardy to the following class or early dismissal from a prior class.
- Students are expected to meet the appropriate dress code for the entire school day and should not change into other attire prior to dismissal. Students riding Academy buses and vans are expected to be properly attired when they get on the bus/van in the morning and to remain so until they are dropped off at the end of the return trip in the afternoon.
- Students needing to get dressed for athletic practices, competitions, or other activities should wait until they have been officially released to do so, including during afternoon dismissal and early departures for competitions.

School-appropriateness Guidelines for All Garments Worn to JFWA

- **Images:** All images and language on garments, etc. (where allowed) should be school-appropriate. Offensive and graphic images, foul and offensive language, and messages/images deemed to be controversial/provocative by school leadership should be avoided. Garments with political images and messages, including attire promoting candidates, politically-charged activism and/or political campaigns, are not allowed.
- **Necklines for Tops and Other Garments:** The neckline on all tops should not be excessively low cut. Undergarments should not be visible.
- **Shoulder-lines for Tops and Other Garments:** Sleeveless garments are not allowed unless worn with a jacket, sweater, etc. that must stay on at all times. Tank-tops, spaghetti straps, etc. are not allowed.
- **Hemlines for Tops:** The bottom hem of any top worn to JFWA should be long enough to be tucked into bottoms such that any movement will not result in the shirt becoming untucked. Shirt/top hemlines that reveal the midriff of the wearer in any posture, stance, or seated position should not be worn to the Academy.
- **Hemlines for Bottoms:** The bottom hem of skirts, shorts, etc. should not extend more than the length of a dollar bill above the top edge of the kneecap.
- **Hats and other Headwear/Hair-wear Items:** Hats should not be worn inside Academy or university buildings except when allowed for specially themed days such as spirit week, etc. Bandannas should not be worn to school. Commercially produced items for hair-control (pins, hairbands, etc.) are allowed.

Formal Day-First Day of the School Week	Business Casual	Personal Choice-Last Day of the Week (Options may change based on the discretion of Administration)
Tops: Students wear white collared button-up shirts, either short or long sleeve. No sleeveless button up shirts.	Tops: Collared button up or polo style shirts in white, navy, royal blue, tan, gray, light blue, or black. Subtle patterns in school colors, such as plaid or stripes are permitted. Shirts must be long enough to be tucked in and no midriff showing. Sleeveless or spaghetti strap tops are not allowed. No t-shirts are allowed on these days with the exception of "special event" days.	Any top, including t-shirts, with school appropriate graphics. JFWA or LMU attire is preferred but students may wear any style top that is long enough to tuck in, does not show midriff, does not contain holes, does not contain inappropriate or political logos or images.
Ties: Clear blue plaid tie/bow tie OR solid navy-blue tie/solid navy bow tie. No other colors or patterns allowed.	Dresses: Students may wear dresses in approved school solid colors or subtle patterns, i.e. stripes or checks. No sleeveless, spaghetti strap, or strapless dresses. Dress length can be no shorter than one dollar bill length from top of knee. Dresses cannot contain holes or see through fabric.	Dresses: All colors and patterns permitted. Students may not wear sleeveless, spaghetti strap, or strapless dresses. Dresses cannot contain holes or see through fabric. Dress length can be no shorter than one dollar bill length from top of knee.
Blazers: Navy blue		
Bottoms: Khaki long pants or Navy long pants with black, brown, or clear blue plaid belt. Skirts in navy, khaki, or clear blue plaid. Skirt length can be no shorter than one dollar bill length from top of knee.	Bottoms: Black, Khaki, or Navy shorts, long pants, or skirts. No patterns. Please no colored jeans or jeggings or leggings. No cargo style pants.	Bottoms: Black, Khaki, or navy pants or shorts. Blue jeans with no open holes or frayed bottoms. Shorts in black, Khaki, or Navy. Skirts in any pattern or style, but skirt length can be no shorter than one dollar bill length from knee, cannot contain holes. No cargo style pants
Shoes: Closed toe dress shoes in black, brown, or tan. No sneaker style shoes (i.e. Nike Blazers)	Shoes: Closed toe shoes in a variety of styles including athletic. No Crocs, sandals, or boots with a heel higher than one inch. (This is a safety concern)	Shoes: Closed toe shoes in a variety of styles including athletic. No Crocs, sandals, or boots with a heel higher than one inch. (This is a safety concern)
Cold Weather Option: Students may wear an overcoat over their blazer in black, navy, or	Cold Weather Option: Students may supplement their wardrobe with school	Students may wear hoodies with appropriate logos/ images in addition to the school

tan on cold days when walking to gym, class, or lunch.	approved solid color sweaters and sweatshirts. Please no hoodies. Cold weather hats and gloves are allowed while in travel times between buildings, but need to be removed upon entering school buildings.	approved colors. Hood of hoodies and jackets shall not be raised while in school buildings. Cold weather hats and gloves are allowed while traveling between buildings.
Hot Weather option: Students may leave their blazers in their lockers on days it is too warm to wear to gym, class, lunch.		

Quick Summary: School approved colors are always navy blue, royal blue, black, white, khaki, gray, and light blue. Students may never wear clothing that is frayed, has holes, or contains inappropriate graphics or images. Students may never wear Croc style shoes, house shoes, flip flops, sandals, open toed shoes, or shoes with a heel higher than one inch. Students may never wear athletic style (outside physical education), or pajama style clothing.