

Desert View Academy
2009-2010
Uniform Policy

School Uniforms and Dress Codes

Public school education is considered formal education and students should dress appropriately. Dress and hairstyles, within the prevailing rules of modesty, decency, safety, and health, are the responsibility of the student and his/her parent/guardian. Student dress must conform to the requirements of law and not detract from the learning environment. At Desert View Academy we do not want students to stand out because of what they wear, but rather stand out because of who they are and what they do. Student uniforms will be worn at all times, and must be neat and clean while attending classes and school functions. Exceptions may be approved by the principal for special events such as field day, etc; however, the prevailing rules of modesty, decency, safety, and health shall be enforced. School Administration shall determine if attire is appropriate.

Uniform shirts must be worn daily and maintained. **Students must purchase school uniform shirts/blouses from the designated vendor** in polo shirt colors of, *white or hunter green, or solid white button up blouses for girls and solid button up shirts for boys in long or short sleeve style. All shirts must have the DVA logo. **Boys** will wear navy blue **uniform style** pants or shorts. **Girls** will wear navy blue **uniform style** skirts, skorts, shorts, pants, capri pants or jumpers or plaid skirts, skorts or jumpers. Jumpers must have DVA logo. We recommend these items be purchased from the designated vendor to ensure compliance with DVA uniform guidelines. Parents have the option to purchase uniform bottoms (pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, etc.) from a vendor of your choice; however style and color must be similar to the items available by the recommended vendor. For more information please call the school office. Clothing that is too large, "baggie," or allows immodest exposure is not allowed. The school administration will have final determination as to uniform appropriateness. **If undershirts are worn they must be solid navy or solid white, without stripes, logos, designs, etc.** Undershirts may not hang longer than the uniform shirt; otherwise the undershirt must be tucked in. Jeans or denim material, leggings, spandex, warm-ups, sweatpants, cargo pants, etc. are not considered uniform attire. Socks, leggings and tights worn with uniform must be solid white or solid navy. **No striped, multi-colored or other designed leggings, socks or tights are permitted.**

(*Burgundy shirts already purchased for the previous school year will be allowed for this school year only.)

School jackets are available in navy blue and hunter green, and school sweater are available in navy blue. Jackets and sweaters must have the DVA logo. You may purchase these items from our designated vendor. If your child wears a jacket inside the classroom, it must be a school jacket or sweater with the school logo. Other jackets may be worn outside, but not in the classrooms.

Physical Education Uniforms

Students grades K through 6 will participate in Physical Education/Health one time per week for the school year. Students must wear the designated P.E. uniform which consists of **solid, plain gray shorts or sweatpants and a hunter green t-shirt with the DVA P.E. logo. These items must be purchased from our vendor. Sneakers with white socks must be worn on scheduled P.E. days.** A solid white long sleeve undershirt may be worn under the P.E. shirt.

In order to protect students from the sun a hat may be worn while outside and will be the only hat allowed to be worn during school hours. The student's name should be written on the inside of the hat with permanent marker. Hats will be worn with the bill facing forward. Lost or stolen hats are not the responsibility of Desert View Academy.

Hairstyles may be regulated by the school if the school administration decides the health or safety of a student is endangered or if the style becomes disruptive and distracts from the educational process. Hair should be maintained and washed regularly.

Students may wear no more than one earring per ear. **Oversized earrings and/or hoops are not allowed.** Other visible body piercing and temporary or permanent tattoos are not permitted.

Teachers will do a uniform check as students enter the classroom each morning. Failure to comply with the dress code will be addressed as "failure to adhere to school/classroom rules" and consequences will be determined by the principal or designee. In addition, **the parent/guardian will be called to bring in the appropriate uniform attire. Repeated (more than 2 in a Trimester) violation of uniform policy may result in dismissal from Desert View Academy.**