

# UNHP (6<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup>) UNIFORM POLICIES

UNHP strongly supports scholars forming habits of mind that will lead to their lifelong success. The wearing of the uniform signifies community and the scholar's desire to attain excellence through focused effort. All scholars will be in uniform accordingly. The Uplift North Hills Preparatory administrative team is responsible for interpreting, implementing, and enforcing the dress code policy. The only exception to this section of the handbook is religious beliefs, and parents must consult with the administration about their specific concerns and how they affect the dress code. The Campus Director is the final arbiter in determining when attire is not acceptable. Scholars who are chronically in compliance may be referred to Dean of Scholars for behavioral consequences.

## SECONDARY SHIRTS

Scholars are required to wear long or short-sleeved white button-down oxford shirts or polo shirts with the UNHP Logo. On Tuesday – Friday, scholars may wear polo shirts (green for middle school) with the North Hills Crest logo in place of the Monday oxford shirt. Long sleeves on oxford shirt must be either buttoned or rolled up. The hem of all shirts must be fully tucked in all around waist and not rolled under. When a tie is required, the collar button must be buttoned during school hours. This is the only button that may be undone when not wearing a tie.

12<sup>th</sup> grade scholars may wear light blue button-down oxford shirts (long or short sleeve).

## SECONDARY PANTS

Pants must be worn appropriately and modestly. The following guidelines must be observed:

- Pants must be gray with belt loops. No gray jeans are allowed.
- Scholars must not wear pants that fit tightly
- Pants are to be worn at the natural waistline
- Hems may not touch the floor

## SECONDARY BELTS

Scholars wearing pants must wear a belt every weekday that is black leather with a small, simple buckle. No designer or logo buckles are permitted. Scholars may not wear billfold or watch chains that hang from the waist.

## SECONDARY UNDERSHIRTS

Scholars may only wear a solid white, long or short sleeved T-shirt under the dress shirt or spirit polo shirt. Writing on undershirts or logos is not permitted underneath uniform shirts. Undershirts are to be tucked into the waistband of skirts/pants and the sleeves may not extend beyond the sleeves of the dress/polo shirt.

## SECONDARY TIES

Ties are required every Monday with white oxford button down shirt starting the first Monday in October through the last Monday in April.

## SECONDARY BLAZERS

Scholars in grades 9 – 12 are required to wear a navy blue blazer on Monday starting the first Monday in October through the last Monday in April.

## SECONDARY SKIRTS

Girls may wear the plaid skirt (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) or grey skirt (12<sup>th</sup> only). Skirt length must be no more than 3 inches higher than the crease in the back of the knee.

## SECONDARY MODESTY SHORTS

All girls are required to wear modesty shorts or P. E. shorts under skirts. Modesty shorts must not be visible beyond the hem of the skirt.

## SECONDARY SOCKS

Scholars are required to wear white, solid navy blue or black socks. Girls may wear solid navy, white opaque or black socks or tights. No leggings are allowed.

## SECONDARY SHOE POLICY



Boys are required to wear a solid black leather dress shoe with non-scuff soles or any solid black leather tennis shoes with black soles and black laces. See the examples above.



Girls are required to wear a solid black leather ballet flat, navy and white leather saddle oxfords, OR any solid white leather tennis shoes with white soles and white laces similar to the all-white New Balance tennis shoe. No other shoe options are allowed, including high tops. All athletic shoes for boys and girls must be solid leather, black (boys) and white (girls), logos and soles included.

## SECONDARY SWEATERS, JACKETS, AND SWEATSHIRTS

Hunter green (MS) and navy blue (US) sweaters, fleeces or sweatshirts can be worn inside the classrooms. Sweaters must be plain without writing or decoration. The official UNHP sweatshirt and fleeces bears a UNHP shield. It may be worn in the classrooms Monday – Friday in grades 6 – 8. Upper School scholars are allowed to wear any approved Uplift North Hills outerwear Tuesday – Friday. Approved outerwear for Upper School scholars includes the official UNHP sweatshirt, class/athletics sweatshirts, class/athletics jackets, and UNHP Letter Jackets. When the feels-like temperature is lower than 40 F, scholars in grades 6 – 12 may wear a solid navy, forest green, gray, or black pea coat in the building (see examples below).

## SECONDARY HEADWEAR

Scholars are not permitted to wear hats, caps, visors, sunglasses or other headwear during school hours. All hair accessories and cultural head covers must be of school colors (navy blue, dark green, white, black or white in solid colors).

## SECONDARY HAIR, FACIAL HAIR, MAKEUP, NAIL POLISH AND JEWELRY

Secondary students' hair, facial hair, makeup, nail polish or jewelry cannot be a distraction nor can it impede upon student learning or school activities. All hair including facial hair must be clean, neatly groomed, and be of a naturally occurring hair color. Hair must not be covering the eyes. Determination of any violation is at the discretion of administration.

## **SECONDARY BACKPACKS**

Backpacks should be standard size and free of offensive symbols or words. Rolling backpacks are not permitted without written instructions from doctor.

## **SECONDARY MONDAY FORMAL DRESS**

Ties are required every Monday with white oxford button down shirt, starting the first Monday in October through the last Monday in April for scholars in grades 6 – 12. Scholars in grades 9 – 12 are also required to wear a navy blue blazer on Monday starting the first Monday in October through the last Monday in April.

## **SECONDARY COLLEGE/SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAYS**

On Fridays, secondary scholars are encouraged to wear appropriately fitting college t-shirts, college polos, or college crewneck sweatshirts with their uniform pants/skirts and shoes. Scholars may also choose to wear North Hills spirit t-shirts with their uniform pants/skirts and shoes on Fridays. No scholars may wear other college gear, including jackets or hoodies.

## **SECONDARY CASUAL DAYS**

Casual dress days for Secondary students will be made available at designated times throughout the school year. All scholars in good academic and disciplinary standing will have a casual day the last day of each quarter. Casual dress privileges may be revoked for scholars who do not comply with all dress code policies, as determined by the administration.

On approved casual days, only shirts that do not display offensive language or images of violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco or the occult may be worn. It must have sleeves, cover the midriff area and is not be low-cut. Shorts and skirts adhering to the uniform code for length may be worn and must not be torn or have holes. Shorts must be denim or khaki; no athletic shorts permitted. Leggings are permitted only with a top or dress worn over that adheres to the uniform code for length. Sweat pants and yoga pants not permitted. Clothing must follow the same guidelines for fit and length as comparable to the uniform.

## **SECONDARY PE/ATHLETICS UNIFORM**

Scholars taking a PE course are required to wear the UNHP approved P.E. uniform. Wearing the PE uniform is restricted to the P.E. soccer field and gym. It should not be worn in classrooms, the library, the main building, or the scholar common areas:

- Warm Weather: Scholars are to wear UNHP PE t-shirts, green or black basketball shorts, and athletic shoes with white socks.
- Cold Weather: Scholars may wear UNHP spirit sweatshirts, sweatpants, or wind suits.