

The purpose of the AAL dress code is to create a professional, safe, and respectful community where students can place their sole focus on learning. Students are required to follow the dress code Monday through Friday and is in effect whenever a student is on school grounds.

Parent and Staff Responsibilities

Parents have the responsibility to ensure their children arrive at school in the proper dress attire. The Academy of Advanced Learning will help purchase uniforms of students whose parents can demonstrate critical financial need.

Within the school, the dress code will be enforced by the classroom teachers, staff members, and AAL administrators who will make final decisions regarding uniform issues. Cheerful, consistent compliance with our dress code policy by all is expected.

Dress Code Wear Guidance

Students are expected to be dressed neatly, be well groomed and have a general good appearance. Approved dress code clothing needs to be of appropriate size/fit, with no holes and in good repair and must be worn as intended by the policy. A student can be out of compliance for wearing non-approved items, or by wearing approved items in a manner that is sloppy, immodest, or otherwise inappropriate. A parent dress-code committee will be established to provide input and suggest revisions to the dress code.

Shirts

- All students must wear the official AAL polo-style shirt (short or long sleeve) that has the AAL logo. Sewn-on patches, iron-on decals, or any other representation of the school logo is not allowed. Official school shirts may be purchased at the school or at: www.landsend.com.
- The school shirts are navy blue, light blue, or royal purple.
- All shirts must be buttoned all the way except for the top button.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times while on campus.
- A white, black, or navy blue long sleeve T-shirt may be worn under the polo shirt and must be tucked in.

Pants/Shorts/Capris

- Uniform pants/slacks for both boys and girls must be tan, black, or navy blue and cannot be denim or stretch material. No jeggings, joggers, sweatpants or cargo pants are allowed.
- Knee-length shorts are allowed. Shorts must be tan, black or navy blue and cannot be skin-tight. No cut-offs, gym shorts, cargo shorts, or shorts made of sweatpants material are allowed.
- Students may wear capris pants in khaki, black, or navy blue. Mid-length jeggings or yoga pants are not allowed.

Additional Clothing

- Students may wear knee-length tan, black, or navy blue skirts or jumpers.
- Skirts must be worn with shorts, bloomers, leggings, or tights underneath.
- Students may also wear polo-style dresses. These dresses must be tan, black, or navy blue. They must also be embroidered with the school logo or have the school's logo patch sewn on.
- Dresses and jumpers must extend to the top of the knee.
- Students may wear solid black, tan, or white tights or leggings with the jumper, skirt, or polo-style dress.

Shoes, Socks and Belts

- All shoes must be closed-toed with a heel no higher than one inch.
- No sandals, crocks, "heelies," flip-flops, light-up shoes, or slippers are permitted.
- Socks must be solid black, tan, white, or navy blue.
- If the pants have belt loops, students must wear a belt. Belts are optional for Kindergarten and 1st grade.
- Belts must be solid black or brown with a plain buckle of gold, silver, or brass color.

Hats

- Hats, caps, or wooly hats are not allowed in school.
- Hats, caps, or wooly hats may be permitted outside on school grounds during cold weather at the discretion of the administration.

Jackets, Sweaters and Sweatshirts

- Students may wear their choice of outerwear to and from school and outside the building, but outerwear will not be worn in the building.
- Official AAL sweatshirts, which have the AAL logo, may be worn as part of the uniform. Additionally, students may wear sweaters and sweatshirts that are solid navy blue or black and that do not have any markings or logos. Zip up hoodies in navy blue or black are allowed, but hoods are not to be on inside the building at any time.
- A uniform shirt must be underneath sweaters and sweatshirts.

Physical Education Attire

- Every student who has physical education (K-8) will need a pair of non-marking tennis shoes for P.E.
- Students may also choose to dress in athletic wear for a P.E. class. Shirts can be a plain solid-color, athletic t-shirt. Sleeveless shirts or tank-tops are not permitted.
- Athletic shorts may be worn. Athletic shorts must be solid navy blue or black.

Additional Dress Guidance

- Piercings and earrings are not allowed for safety reasons. However, students may wear studs in their ears.
- Visible facial and body piercings are not allowed.
- Gauges are not allowed.
- All other jewelry must be conservative, non-offensive, and not draw undue attention.
- Visible tattoos are not permitted. This includes both temporary and henna tattoos.
- On occasion, and as scheduled by the administration, the dress code will be modified such as on class picture day, spirit day, college shirt day, or as a reward for habits of success.