Dear Franklin Academy Families:

Beginning September 26, 2016, all students are expected to be in full dress code, and the complete dress code will be strictly enforced.  This includes a Franklin Academy top, a Franklin Academy bottom, the appropriate socks, and the use of belts (Grades 2-8).  This also includes students no longer wearing non-Franklin outer wear inside the school building.  For middle school students, we are still waiting for ID's to be made, so the students will not need to wear those yet.

The complete dress code is written below:

A higher standard of dress encourages greater respect for individuals, students, and others, and results in a higher standard of behavior. Our dress code guidelines indicate appropriate school dress during normal school days for every student.  Franklin Academy reserves the right to interpret these guidelines and/or make changes during the school year. Students are expected to follow these guidelines.  If a student comes to school without the proper uniform, they will be kept/sent to the front office and will remain there until a parent/guardian brings the proper uniform for the student.

Students are not permitted to wear anything offensive, immodest, or deemed inappropriate by the faculty.  Torn or tattered clothing is prohibited.  All clothing should be labeled with the student’s name.  Parents of students in Kindergarten or First Grade are encouraged to leave an extra set of clothes in a labeled Ziploc bag with the classroom teacher in case of an emergency.  All uniforms must be purchased from i-Uniforms, the school approved vendor.  Orders may be placed online at [*www.i-Uniforms.com*](http://www.i-Uniforms.com).

**Shirts**

* All students must wear a uniform shirt with the official school logo.
* Shirts must be neatly tucked-in.  Shirts must stay tucked-in when arms are raised and midriffs are never to show.

**Slacks, Shorts, Skorts, and Jumpers**

* Only properly fitted uniform bottoms may be worn.
* Shorts and skorts must be of appropriate length (at the discretion of Administration), but no longer than 1 inch below the knee.
* Girls are NOT permitted to wear shorts.

**Outerwear**

* Only outerwear with the official school logo may be worn.
* School uniform shirts must be worn under any outerwear.

**Belts**

* Students in grades 2-8 must wear a belt with a buckle.
* Plain brown, black, or navy blue dress-style belts (no holes or studs).
* Belts must be worn correctly through the belt loops.

**Socks**

* Solid white, black or navy socks.
* Solid white, black or navy tights may be worn with skorts.

**Shoes**

* Athletic-style shoes (sneakers).
* Dress-style shoes (loafer or tie).
* Mary-Jane style shoes.
* No ballet-style shoes.

**Hats**

* Hats may **not** be worn in the school building.
* Hats without logos may be worn during outdoor PE and/or recess.

**Physical Education Uniform**

* PE shorts and shirts with the school logo must be worn, along with socks, and sneakers for PE class.

**Other**

* Jewelry must not pose a threat to safety, and must not be distractive. For safety reasons, only stud-style earrings may be worn.
* Bracelets are limited to three.
* Necklaces should be tucked inside the shirt.
* No unnatural hair color/highlights.
* Hair styles must not be distracting and are subject to administration approval (Mohawk, spikes, etc.)
* No body piercings visible other than one earring per ear.
* Torn or tattered clothing is prohibited.
* Sunglasses may not be worn in class.
* Middle school ID badges must be worn around the neck with school provided lanyard. (Students are charged $8 for each lost ID and/or lanyard)
* A student who wears an improperly fitted uniform will be considered in violation of the dress code policy and will not be allowed to attend class until appropriate clothing can be acquired.