

Arete Prep Uniform and Dress Code

All shirts, skirts, ties, sweaters, ¼ zips and blazers **must be purchased through Anton Uniforms** and carry the school crest as noted below. All items must follow these guidelines.

GENERAL UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE OPTION FOR ALL STUDENTS

Shirts: Shirts must always remain tucked in with a waistband visible. A white undershirt may be worn, free of any designs or logos.

High School – Students have the option of wearing a short or long sleeve blue or white oxford dress shirt with the school crest. The oxford dress shirt with school crest must be pressed and worn fully buttoned with only the uppermost button undone. The oxford shirt may also be worn with a designated tie by members of extracurricular clubs/sports as competition day uniform attire.

Middle School – Students have the option of wearing a short or long sleeve green or white polo shirt with the school crest. A long sleeve, white oxford dress shirt may be worn with tie by members of extracurricular clubs/sports as competition day uniform attire.

Sweater: The black uniform cardigan, pullover sweater, or quarter-zip sweater with the school crest may be worn. No other sweaters may be worn in classrooms.

Dress Pants: Dress pants must be khaki colored, with belt loops. Acceptable fabrics for the dress pants are cotton, polyester or poly-blend. A solid-colored black or dark brown dress belt must be worn with the dress pants. Dress belts with a simple clasp or open buckle designs are acceptable. Pants must reach to the shoe but may not drag on the ground. (No khaki jeans or dungarees. No utility loops or patch pockets, extra zippers, Velcro, or extra seams.) Neither oversized, baggy pants nor tight (“skinny”) pants will be permitted. Pants should be worn at the waist (and no boxers or undergarments may be visible).

Shorts: Khaki walking shorts with white or solid-colored dark socks are a uniform option for students from the beginning of the school year to November 1 and from Spring Break through the end of school year. Acceptable fabrics for the shorts are cotton, polyester or poly-blend. No utility loops or patch pockets, extra zippers, Velcro, or extra seams. Shorts must be worn with a solid-colored black or dark brown dress belt. Dress belts with a simple clasp or open buckle designs are acceptable. Shorts should extend to just above the knee.

Footwear: Socks must be white, solid black, or dark brown in color, extend above the ankle and be free of visible brand logos, patterns or decorations. *Note: Black athletic shoes are now approved for high school, athletic and dress shoes must be all black. Brown is no longer permitted*

High School – may wear black or dark brown leather or simulated leather dress shoes in lace-up or loafer style. Cloth, canvas, plastic or athletic shoes are not uniform attire.

Middle School – may wear solid black athletic shoes or black or dark brown leather or simulated leather dress shoes in lace-up or loafer.

Jewelry: All jewelry must be tasteful and worn in a non-distracting manner. Students are permitted to wear one watch, one finger ring and one necklace. Only simple, fine-gauged, 16 to 20-inch, silver or gold chain necklaces are permitted. Necklaces must be worn inside the shirt. One charity/motivational bracelet may be worn to support an appropriate cause provided it does not make inappropriate allusions.

Headwear: Hats, bandanas, and sunglasses may not be worn indoors and must be stored in student lockers during the school day. Accommodations for religious reasons are permitted.

Letter Jacket: Letter-earning participants in extracurricular activities are eligible to purchase a letter jacket. Letter jackets may be worn in class. Students may only wear their own letter jackets.

Outerwear: All jackets, sweatshirts, and other outerwear should be free of distracting or inappropriate images and messages. Outerwear must be stored in student lockers during the school day. Except for the school letter jacket, outerwear may not be worn in classrooms.

Additional Guidelines: If an item of dress or appearance is deemed incongruent with the standards of the Academy by an administrator, the student must alter his dress or appearance in accordance with the administrator's directive. Uniform items must be properly-fitting, neat in appearance and free of stains, tears, or excessive wear. Temporary or permanent visible tattoos are not permitted; this includes pen and ink drawing or writing on the skin.