

# **2025-2026 Amana Academy Dress Code and Uniform Guidelines**

"I pledge to wear Amana's uniform and maintain a neat, clean, and safe appearance."

## <u>Dress code at Amana Academy serves the following purposes:</u>

- 1. <u>Promoting a conducive learning environment</u>: Dress codes can help minimize distractions in the classroom, allowing students and teachers to focus on academic activities rather than on what students are wearing.
- 2. Fostering professionalism: Dressing appropriately for school can instill habits of professionalism and respect for oneself and others. It prepares students for future environments where dress codes or professional attire may be required, such as in the workplace.
- **3.** Enhancing safety and security: Uniforms or specific dress codes can make it easier to identify individuals who belong on school grounds, which can enhance security and prevent unauthorized individuals from entering.
- **4.** Reducing socioeconomic differences: In schools where uniforms are required, students from various socioeconomic backgrounds may feel more equal, as the emphasis is taken off expensive or designer clothing.
- 5. <u>Fostering school pride and community:</u> When students wear uniforms or adhere to a dress code unique to their school, it can foster a sense of belonging and unity within the school community.

Overall, dress codes are implemented to create a positive and productive learning environment while also addressing safety, security, and social concerns within the school community. *The below uniform guidelines are expected to be followed Monday through Thursday unless otherwise communicated.* 

Slacks	<ul> <li>Navy or khaki, pleated or flat front, with no rips or tears.</li> <li>Not allowed: Sweatpants, jeans, or joggers.</li> <li>Fabric: Cotton twill or synthetic with button, zipper, and belt loops. Must be "uniform material"</li> </ul>
Shorts	<ul> <li>Navy or khaki, pleated or flat front, with no rips or tears.</li> <li>Length: No more than 1" above the knee.</li> <li>Not allowed: Sweatpants or joggers</li> <li>Fabric: Cotton twill or synthetic with button, zipper, and belt loops. Must be "uniform material."</li> </ul>
Skirts/Skorts	<ul> <li>Navy or khaki, knee-length or longer, with no rips or tears.</li> <li>Length: No more than 1" above the knee.</li> <li>Leggings or privacy shorts may be worn underneath.</li> <li>Fabric: Cotton twill or synthetic.</li> </ul>
Collared Shirts	<ul> <li>Short or long-sleeve knit polo with embroidered school monogram (no t-shirts).</li> <li>Fabric: Cotton or synthetic.</li> <li>Colors: Navy, Green, White, or Gray</li> <li>Undershirts: White only. Hoodies may not be worn under a collared shirt.</li> </ul>
Outerwear	<ul> <li>Navy ½ or full zip fleece jacket, cardigan or vest with embroidered school monogram.</li> <li>Any jacket is allowed outdoors for PE and recess.</li> <li>Not allowed indoors: hoods and non-Amana jackets         <ul> <li>Note: certain outerwear may be approved mid-year (e.g. Fiserv hoodies, 8th grade hoodies, cross country jackets, etc.)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Jumpers	<ul> <li>Navy or khaki, no more than 1" above the knee.</li> <li>Blouse: White short or long-sleeve Peter Pan blouse.</li> </ul>
Hijabs/Veils	<ul> <li>Solid colors, no adornments.</li> <li>Not allowed: Hats, durags, or bonnets at any time. Beanies are allowed outside in winter.</li> </ul>

Shoes	<ul> <li>Non-marking soles, closed toe/heel.</li> <li>Not allowed: Crocs, slippers, sandals, or slides.</li> </ul>
Miscellaneous	<ul> <li>Not allowed: Sunglasses, earbuds, blankets, stuffed animals, headphones, or distracting accessories</li> <li>Cologne, perfume, body spray, or aerosol deodorant MAY NOT be sprayed on school premises or in Wills Park due to allergy risks</li> </ul>

# **Friday Dress Code**

Students will be assigned their Houses during the first Friday community circle of the year in August. Every Friday after, students will be able to show spirit for their Houses by wearing their House colors. The guidelines are as follows:

- 1. Clothing must be the color that the student's House represents. Non-House colors are prohibited (i.e. black, purple, orange, etc.)
  - a. House of Life: RED
  - b. House of Light: YELLOW
  - C. House of Earth: **GREEN**
  - d. House of Wind: **BLUE**

#### 2. Tops

- a. 75% of the student's top must be their House color.
- b. Tops must follow the out-of-uniform guidelines below

#### 3. Bottoms

- a. Bottoms may be blue jeans, uniform pants, or House colored pants
- b. Bottoms must follow the out-of-uniform guidelines below
- **4. NOTE**: If not participating, students must be in regular uniform

# **Out-of-Uniform Guidelines (Spirit Days)**

Out-of-uniform days are authorized by the administrative team and will be clearly communicated to students and teachers ahead of time. On out-of-uniform days, students are expected to dress appropriately and modestly. The following rules apply:

- **1.** Students participating in spirit days **MUST** be following the theme of the day. If not participating, students must be in normal uniform.
- **2.** If a day is only themed around one clothing item then students may be appropriately out of uniform.

- 3. Clothing must be clean and pants should be free of rips and tears.
- **4.** Skirts and shorts must be no shorter than 1 inch above the knee.
- **5.** Students are not allowed to wear tank tops, crop tops, spaghetti strap tops, strapless tops, halter tops, mesh or see-through tops, beach shoes, flip-flops, backless shoes, sports sandals, short shorts, or t-shirts/shirts displaying advertisements for alcohol, cigarettes, or inappropriate language.
- **6.** Students' shoes on an out-of-uniform day must comply with the uniform guidelines above: no Crocs, slippers or slides.
- 7. Students are not allowed to wear hats or hoods indoors during the school day.

## **Uniform Infraction Consequences**

To maintain a safe environment free from distractions to learning, the following consequences will apply in the event of non-compliance:

- **1. First Infraction** (Tier I Code of Conduct):
  - Verbal warning.
  - o Immediate correction of the dress code violation.
  - Parent/Guardian notification.
- **2. Second Infraction** (Tier II Code of Conduct):
  - o Immediate correction of the dress code violation.
  - Reflection time with the leadership team.
  - Parent/Guardian notification.
- **3. Third Infraction** (Tier II Code of Conduct):
  - o Immediate correction of the dress code violation.
  - Administrative writing assignment to be completed by the student, signed by the parent, and returned the following day.
  - Parent/Guardian notification.
- **4. Fourth Infraction** (Tier II Code of Conduct):
  - Student remains in In-School Suspension until the parent/guardian comes to Amana to correct the dress code violation.
  - Parent/Guardian conference required with an Administrator before the next school day.

**Please be advised:** Dress code checks will occur daily during arrival. Always be prepared. Wear your uniform each day.

**Immediate Correction**: Parents must bring a change of clothes, or the student will be sent to the nurse for appropriate attire.