



2021-2022 SCHOOL UNIFORM

Link scholars wear a uniform to school every day to create a Link identity and cohesive look that supports strong scholars, as well as to build school spirit. Students must wear the official Link uniform unless otherwise announced, such as for special events, out-of-uniform days, etc. Students will receive disciplinary consequences for not adhering to the uniform and attire expectations.

UNIFORM TYPE	GRADES	BOYS	GIRLS
REGULAR UNIFORM To be worn on days when student <u>does not have</u> Physical Education class	Middle School – 5 through 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid gray slacks or gray walking shorts with a plain black belt • Grey polo shirt with Link logo, short or long sleeved • Solid black socks • Solid black shoes***; no boots or sandals • Gray cardigan sweater with school logo or Link crew neck sweatshirt** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gray and red striped skirt, gray skort, gray walking shorts, or solid gray slacks* (Plain black belt with slacks.) • Grey polo shirt with Link logo, short or long sleeved • Solid gray tights or black socks • Solid black shoes***; no boots or sandals • Gray cardigan sweater with school logo or Link crew neck sweatshirt**
	Kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid gray slacks or walking shorts with a plain black belt • Cardinal polo shirt with Link logo, short or long sleeved • Solid black socks • Solid black shoes***; no boots or sandals • Gray cardigan sweater with school logo or crew neck sweatshirt with school logo • Optional: gray fleece with school logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gray and red striped jumper, gray skort, gray walking shorts, or solid gray slacks* (Plain black belt with slacks or shorts.) • Cardinal polo shirt with Link logo, short or long sleeved • Solid black socks or gray tights • Solid black shoes***; no boots or sandals • Gray cardigan sweater with school logo or crew neck sweatshirt with school logo • Optional: gray fleece with school logo
PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM To be worn <u>ONLY</u> on days student has Physical Education Class	All students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gray tee shirt with school logo • Burgundy mesh shorts or sweatpants • Solid black socks • Solid black sneakers with black laces*** • Optional: Link crew neck sweatshirt** 	

* Students must wear gray slacks, not gray denims, slim/skinny pants, or pull on pants. Slacks must have belt loops for the required black belt.

** Students may not wear the hooded sweatshirt in the building unless approved by the Principal or her designee. Hoodies must be hung in cubbies or lockers at the start of the day. Nor may they wear any sweatshirt or fleece indoors when the outdoor temperature is 80 degrees or higher outside.

***Solid black shoes and sneakers may not have ANY color or white on them. Laces on shoes and sneakers MUST BE black.

The school shall accept a student’s asserted gender identity.

Regular Uniforms and Kindergarten Gym Uniforms are to be purchased through Flynn & O'Hara directly at <https://flynnohara.com/shop/link-community-charter-school-nj020/> or through their link on the Parent page of the school’s website (<https://linkschool.org/parent-center/>). The Middle School physical education uniform is available in the school's Main Office. You can obtain an order form at <https://linkschool.org/parent-center/>.

Other Specific Dress Code Guidelines

All shirts (tee shirts and polo shirts) and blouses must be tucked in at all times.

Students may not wear boots in the school building. Boots worn in inclement weather must be removed immediately upon entering the building and replaced with regulation school shoes.

Students may not wear cargo style pants or shorts, extremely oversized pants or shorts, or skinny/tight fitting pants or shorts. Pants and shorts must be worn at the hips – no sagging. No leggings or jeggings.

Students may not wear colored T-shirts or T-shirts with printing on them under their uniform clothing.

Students may not wear long sleeved garments under any short-sleeved shirt (dress, polo or tee shirt).

Students must wear sneakers on gym days. Sneakers must be a solid black - no color on them. Colored laces are not allowed.

Jewelry:

Students may wear plain stud earrings (ONLY one for each ear; no open or closed hoops), religious medals, and a plain watch. Students may NOT wear other jewelry including necklaces and bracelets.

Students wearing jewelry not allowed by the dress code will be asked to remove it and give it to a teacher or other staff member. Parents/guardians may pick up the jewelry at the end of the school day.

Students may not wear Smartwatches or any wearable devices that connect to Smartphones and/or internet in the building.

Students **may not wear nail polish, nail gel, or artificial nails**. Only clear nail polish on a natural nail is allowed. Students will be asked to remove the polish and artificial nails in the Main Office. If nail gel is not removeable with nail polish, students will be required to have it removed no later than the Monday after the violation.

Students **may not wear make-up** of any sort, including lipstick or lip gloss. (Clear, non-shiny lip balm is allowed.) Students will be sent to the Main Office to remove makeup. Makeup in the student's possession will be confiscated and not returned.

Students **may not wear jackets, coats and non-Link sweaters or sweatshirts in school at any time**. Students should have a school sweater or sweatshirt with them during cold winter months every day as temperatures fluctuate in the school building.

No hats, hoods or head coverings are to be worn in the building at any time, unless required pursuant to religious practice. Students may wear simple SOLID colored headbands or scrunchies (to hold hair back) - black, burgundy, white, or gray ONLY. They may not wear headbands or other hair ornaments with flowers, bows, sequins, words, designs, brand symbols, or other adornments.

If a child wears a garment for religious reasons, parents need to advise the Dean of Students or Principal.

Students should arrive at and leave the school in their school uniform. Students participating in athletic activities after school may leave the building in the clothing they wear for that activity.

The school reserves the right to call a parent or guardian to notify the parent and the parent may bring appropriate clothing to the student at school. Students may be required to wear "loaner" uniform garments, if available.

Out of Uniform Days

From time to time, Link scholars are invited to dress out of uniform. This may be a day to raise funds for a worthy cause or it may be a special occasion. The expectations are as follows:

- **Attire for Out of Uniform Days**

Students may not wear torn or ripped jeans/pants/shorts of any kind, heels greater than 1.5 inches, flip flops (all shoes must have a back), hats, bandanas, anything revealing (too short, cut out, etc.) or tight, leggings, clothes with writing that is inflammatory, hateful, or violative of the Core Values or otherwise inappropriate. No hoop earrings or nail color is allowed.

Students may wear dressy clothing.

Students are not required to participate. If they are not interested or do not have the specific attire required, students will wear the uniform appropriate for that day.

- **Attire for “Career Days”**

Students should dress in the attire of the career they are most interested in. This could include scrubs for doctors or nurses, team uniforms for those who would like to be athletes, suits or tailored dresses for those who would like to go into business, etc. If in doubt as to the appropriate attire, the student should consult with his or her advisor. Students must adhere to the other guidelines for out-of-uniform days. Students are not required to participate. If they are not interested or do not have the specific attire required, students will wear the uniform appropriate for that day.

- **Attire for Dressing as a “Professional”**

Students are to dress professionally wearing dress shirts, suits/jackets, slacks, tailored blouses, skirts, or tailored dresses. No high heels or open shoes. Students must adhere to the other guidelines for out-of-uniform days. Students are not required to participate. If they are not interested or do not have the specific attire required, students will wear the uniform appropriate for that day.