



Young Women's Leadership  
Charter School  
of Chicago Girls of today, leaders of tomorrow.

## PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

### I. Commencement of Uniform Policy

- A. The uniform policy shall become effective August 30, 2010, the first day of school for the 2010-2011 school year. **Uniforms are mandatory attire.**
- B. A grace period of one week shall be given to all new or transfer students from the date of enrollment.

### II. Compliance Measures

- A. Students are not in violation of the policy in the following instances:
  - 1. During the one week grace period as specified in the before mentioned section.
  - 2. Due to extenuating circumstances, to be determined through a conference between the parent/guardian and a Young Women's administrator.
  - 3. When a student is wearing or displaying expressive items, for example a button that supports a political candidate, so long as such items do not contribute to disruption interfering with discipline or with the rights of others.
  - 4. When a student's religious belief involves the wearing of a particular item.
- B. The intent of the policy is not to inhibit or prohibit any student who is not in uniform from receiving the education to which she is entitled, therefore:
  - 1. No student shall be expelled from school or receive a lowered academic grade as a result of not complying with the policy.
  - 2. Young Women's Leadership Charter School shall resort to disciplinary action only when positive measures fail to ensure compliance with the policy.
  - 3. The school shall communicate with parents or guardians so that the expectations are fully understood by the student and her family.
- C. The following measures will be taken if a student comes to school without the appropriate uniform.
  - 1. On the first offense, students will be reminded of the uniform policy and a copy of the policy. Students will also serve a **Wednesday detention** from 1:30 until 2:15 pm.
  - 2. On the second offense, students will be sent to the office and asked to contact a parent/guardian for a change of clothing. Students will also serve a **Saturday detention** from 10 am until 12 pm.
  - 3. The third offense will result in a **mandatory** parent conference.
  - 4. Students who fail to complete any of the above will be subject to suspension. There are **NO** Exceptions! A record of all offenses will be documented and parents will be notified.

\*A positive approach to achieve compliance with the uniform policy will be used throughout the year. Individual students, classes, and grade levels will be acknowledged and recognized for consistent adherence to the policy.

**YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
**Student Dress Code 2010-2011**  
*Grades 7-12*

Academy	Shirt	Pant
<b><u>Middle School Academy</u></b> <b><u>MSA</u></b> <b>7-8</b>  <b>Gym Uniform</b>	Light Yellow uniform polo shirt with school logo patch  White YWLCS T-shirt	<b>Khaki / Black Pants or Skirt</b>  <b>Blue YWLCS shorts</b>
<b><u>Junior Academy</u></b> <b><u>JA</u></b> <b>9-10</b>	Light Blue uniform polo shirt with school logo patch	<b>Khaki / Black Pants or Skirt</b>
<b><u>Senior Academy</u></b> <b><u>SA</u></b> <b>11-12</b>	White uniform polo shirt with school logo patch	<b>Khaki / Black Pants or Skirt</b>
<b><u>Mandatory items for all students</u></b>  <b><u>These items must to be purchased in the school office</u></b>	School Logo Patch	<b>YWLCS Sweater (No exceptions)</b>

1. No details except the **official** YWLCS logo maybe visible on any uniform item. Consult the uniform policy for details about purchasing logo items.
2. **All** clothing must follow the YWLCS Student Dress Code guidelines for appropriate school attire.
3. **Polo Shirt MUST cover the upper arms and shoulders and extend past the waist.** Shirt must extend past the waist and must meet the top of the pants. Shirts that bare the midriff are not permitted. Shirts that bear cleavage are not permitted. Shirts or tops which meet these requirements, but are translucent cannot be worn without appropriate undergarments.
4. **Khaki or Black Pant with holes or clothing that is ripped/torn is not permitted. Leggings nor sagging pants are prohibited.**
5. **Skirt length should be no shorter than 1" above the top of the knee.**
6. **Students are not to have coats and hats in possession during school hours.** All outerwear including but not limited to gloves, hats, scarves, etc. are to be kept in the student locker. Hats are not to be worn while inside the building. Hats should be removed immediately upon entering the building and should not be put on until exiting the building.
7. **All students must wear appropriate shoes (no house shoes or slippers).**
8. **Sunglasses may only be worn if medically prescribed** or approved by the school nurse.
9. **Headscarves or hats are not permitted** unless for religious reasons.

**\*Clothing may be purchased from any vendor as long as it complies with the uniform requirements.**

