

YAS AMERICAN ACADEMY STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY.

1.0 INTRODUCTION.

It is our policy that all students must wear their Yas American Academy school uniform when attending school from the moment that they enter the premises. They must also wear full uniform when participating in an organized event outside of school, unless stated otherwise.

This policy document contains school regulations on student appearance and a complete list of items needed for the school uniform, a copy of which can be found on the parents portal.

2.0 WHY THE SCHOOL UNIFORM IS IMPORTANT.

Our policy is based on the view that a school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the students with their school
- Makes students feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable by most parents
- Has been designed with the health and safety of the students in mind
- Adheres to strict ADEK and government regulations.

3.0 THE ROLE OF THE PARENTS.

- We ask that all parents who send their children to Yas American Academy, support the school uniform policy. All parents are kindly requested to ensure that their child attends school in the correct uniform as outlined in this policy document. It is the parent or carer's responsibility to ensure that their children wear/bring to school only the items which are appropriate.
- Parents are required to adhere to the uniform requirements detailed below. A number of outlets will sell items of clothing that are optional. These items are only permitted within specialist subjects and do not form part of the school uniform. E.g. Aldar hoodies are optional and permitted in Physical Education lessons. They are not permitted to be worn within other lessons or around the academy.
- Any item of clothing or jewellery confiscated by members of staff will be required to be collected by the parent who will sign these items out. This can't be authorized by the students nanny or driver.
- Please note that Yas American Academy cannot take responsibility for losses or breakages to any items except in extreme circumstances. In such cases, representation must be made in writing to the Principal, for consideration by the appropriate sub-committee of the school.

4.0 THE ROLE OF THE SCHOOL.

4.1 Kindergarten and Elementary Year Groups.

- Class teachers will monitor students' appearance in-line with the uniform policy and will notify parents if a student's uniform is considered to be non-compliant.
- Teachers will also have a duty to ensure that uniforms are clean and free from damage, they will report this to parents if not.

4.2 Middle and Upper Year Groups.

- Secondary homeroom teachers, subject teachers and Grade leads will check that students are adhering to the uniform policy on a daily basis. This will be when a student enters the academy, transition to lessons and during lessons.
- Where any student does not follow the uniform policy, parents will be contacted if the student is refusing to wear the uniform correctly, or required to bring the correct items of uniform into the school on that particular day.
- The student and parents will be given every opportunity to improve or remedy the situation within an agreed timeframe in some circumstances. For example; the correct school shoes would be purchased at the weekend and worn the following week.
- If a secondary student should arrive at school not wearing the appropriate school uniform, and does not have a valid explanation from parents, he/she will be kept in internal intervention, under staff supervision, until the correct uniform is brought to the school by a parent/nanny/driver.
- If the uniform is not brought to school, the student will remain in internal isolation and supervised by a member of staff for the remainder of the day.
- Secondary students who repeatedly do not follow school uniform policy will be issued with a 45-minute mentoring session outside of the school curriculum.
- Please note that Aldar Academies uniform policy is to be strictly followed and will be enforced by the Principal and school staff.
- Clothing that is not permitted, such as hats, jewellery, hoodies, if worn, will be confiscated by the students grade lead until the end of the day.

5.0 UNIFORM LIST AND REQUIREMENTS.

In the following pages you will find uniform requirements and a complete list of uniform items. Please read carefully which items are compulsory and which are optional.

- Kindergarten (KG1 - KG2)
- Elementary (Grade 1 - Grade 5)
- Secondary School (Grade 6 - Grade 12)

5.1 CULTURAL SENSITIVITY.

It is recognized that some parents of young female students would prefer that their arms and legs are fully covered. In such circumstances, plain second skins/t-shirts and leggings may be worn underneath uniforms, or plain trousers may be worn.

All information in this document can be found on the parent's portal.

5.2 KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL

The table with the red heading is what Yas American Academy require all students in KG1 and KG2 to wear. The second table with the green heading may be purchased by the parents but these items are optional.

Please note, some stores will sell a range of Aldar uniform items. We request that you pay particular attention to the below tables and only select what is detailed for West Yas Academy.

Kindergarten School (KG1 - KG2) The items below are COMPULSARY and MUST be worn within Yas American Academy.	
Polo Shirts	Aldar Academies' polo shirts represent the colour assigned to your child's school (red). They are made with 100% cotton design and must be tucked in at all times. Girls may wear a long top / skins underneath the polo shirt.
Shorts	Shorts may be worn by girls and boys. Girls may wear trousers or leggings underneath shorts.
Shoes and Socks	Smart, black leather shoes must be worn. There should be no other markings, no sports brands or trainers. Please note that boots, sandals and trainers (except for PE lessons) are strictly non permitted. For girls, heels should be no more than one inch.
Legionnaire's Hats	Students must wear their legionnaire's hat when outside.
House Colour Sports Top	The house colour sports top must be worn at house. Events together with school PE shorts or school trousers. Emerald (Green) Ruby (Red) Diamond (Grey) Onxy (Black)
Swimming Caps	Swimming caps are compulsory and must be worn during swimming lessons and competitions for health and hygiene purposes.
Hairstyle and colour	Hair should be neat and tidy with no non-natural colours e.g. blue, red, green. Girls who have hair below collar length should have their hair tied back for health, safety and hygiene purposes. Boys' hair must not be over the collar.
Jewellery	Students are permitted to wear a watch. Girls are only permitted to wear one stud earring per ear. No other jewellery is allowed. All jewellery is required to be removed for practical / physical lessons. West Yas Academy is not liable for any loss or damage to any item of jewellery.

Kindergarten School (KG1 - KG2) The items below are OPTIONAL and MAY be worn within Yas American Academy.	
Tracksuit Trousers	Trousers may be worn during sports activities instead of shorts.
Book Bag and PE Kit Bag	Parents may purchase the book bag and PE kit bag/rucksack.
Headscarves	Girls may wear a white, black or navy headscarf.

5.3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The table with the red heading is what Yas American Academy require all students in Grade 1 to Grade 5 to wear. The second table with the green heading may be purchased by the parents but these items are optional.

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Elementary School (Grade 1 - Grade 5) The items below are COMPULSARY and MUST be worn within Yas American Academy.	
Polo Shirts	Aldar Academies' polo shirts represent the colour assigned to your child's school (red). They are made with 100% cotton design and Tucked in at all times. Girls may wear a long top / skins underneath the polo shirt.
Skorts	Skorts may be worn by girls and must be worn with white socks. Skorts must be below knee in length (as per ADEK regulations)
Shorts	Shorts may be worn by girls and boys. Girls may wear trousers or leggings underneath shorts.
Shoes and Socks	Smart, black leather shoes must be worn. There should be no other markings, no sports brands or trainers. Please note that boots, sandals and trainers (except for PE lessons) are strictly non permitted. For girls, heels should be no more than one inch.
Pinafore Dresses	Pinafore dresses may be worn by girls and must be worn with white socks. Dresses must be below knee in length (as per ADEK regulations)
Legionnaire's Hats and School Caps	Grades 1-3: Students must wear their legionnaire's hat when outside. Grades 4-5: Students must wear their legionnaire's hat or school cap when outside.
House Colour Sports Top	The house colour sports top must be worn at house. Events together with school PE shorts or school trousers. Emerald (Green) Ruby (Red) Diamond (Grey) Onxy (Black)
Swimming Caps	Swimming caps are compulsory and must be worn during swimming lessons and competitions for health and hygiene purposes.

Hairstyle and colour	<p>Hair should be neat and tidy with no non-natural colours e.g. blue, red, green.</p> <p>Girls who have hair below collar length should have their hair tied back for health, safety and hygiene purposes.</p> <p>Boys' hair must not be over the collar.</p>
Jewellery	<p>Students are permitted to wear a watch.</p> <p>Girls are only permitted to wear one stud earring per ear. No other jewellery is allowed.</p> <p>All jewellery is required to be removed for practical / physical lessons.</p> <p>Yas American Academy is not liable for any loss or damage to any item of jewellery.</p>

Elementary School (Grade 1 - Grade 5)	
The items below are OPTIONAL and MAY be worn within Yas American Academy.	
Tracksuit Trousers	Trousers may be worn during sports activities instead of shorts.
Book Bag and PE Kit Bag	Parents may purchase the book bag and PE kit bag/rucksack.
Headscarves	Girls may wear a white, black or navy headscarf.
School Jumper	Students may wear a school jumper to keep warm during their lessons and around the academy.

5.4 SECONDARY SCHOOL

The table with the red heading is what Yas American Academy require all students in Grade 6 to Grade 12 to wear. The second table with the green heading may be purchased by the parents but these items are optional.

Please note, some stores will sell a range of Aldar uniform items. We request that you pay particular attention to the below tables and only select what is detailed for West Yas Academy.

Secondary School (Grade 6 - Grade 12)	
The items below are COMPULSARY and MUST be worn within Yas American Academy.	
School Shirts	<p>Students are required to wear the school white shirt.</p> <p>Shirts are to remain tucked in as soon as students enter the building, during lesson transitions and during lessons.</p> <p>The top button of the shirt must be closed at all times.</p>
School Tie	<p>Students must wear a school tie throughout the day.</p> <p>The knot of the tie must cover the top button of their shirt at all times and must not hang loosely.</p>

	<p>If students forget their school tie, parents/guardians/nanny/drivers must bring the tie into school. Whilst this is being actioned, the student will receive a school tie and will deposit their mobile phone with the Pastoral team. If students have to be repeatedly told to wear a tie and to wear this properly (as outlined above) they will be required to attend a 45-minute mentoring session outside of curriculum hours.</p>
Skirts	<p>Skirts must be worn by girls with white socks and should be below knee in length (as per. ADEK regulations). Loose fitting trousers may also be worn.</p>
Trousers	<p>Trousers must be worn by boys and may be worn by girls. They must be plain black or plain navy with black socks.</p> <p>Trousers must be correctly pulled up and not at half-mast.</p> <p>No jeans, tracksuit or jogging bottoms are permitted.</p>
School Blazers/ Jumper	<p>Blazers and/or School Jumpers must be worn when students are entering the academy and within lessons.</p> <p>With permission, blazers/jumpers may be removed once a student is inside the classroom at teacher discretion. They can also be removed during recess and lunch time.</p> <p>They must be worn when representing the school.</p> <p>Students are accountable for looking after their own blazers.</p> <p>If students forget their school blazer, parents/guardians/nanny/drivers must bring the tie into school. Students will remain in isolation until this arrives.</p> <p>If students have to be repeatedly told to wear a blazer they will be required to attend a 45-minute mentoring session outside of curriculum hours.</p>
Shoes and Socks	<p>Smart, all black formal shoes must be worn (business shoes). We do not permit 'sports shoes' and therefore any visible sporting brand of shoes or colour other than black will not be permitted.</p> <p>For girls, heels should be no longer than one inch high. There should be no other colours on school shoes.</p> <p>Please note that stilettos, sandals and trainers (except for PE) are strictly not permitted.</p>
House Colour Sports Top	<p>The house colour sports top may be worn at house events together with school PE shorts or school trousers.</p> <p>Emerald (Green) Ruby (Red) Diamond (Grey) Onyx (Black)</p>
Swimming Caps	<p>Swimming caps are compulsory and must be worn during swimming lessons and competitions for health and hygiene purposes.</p>
Hairstyle and colour	<p>Hair should be neat and tidy with no non-natural colours e.g. blue, red, green.</p>

	<p>Girls who have hair below collar length should have their hair tied back for health, safety and hygiene purposes.</p> <p>Boys' hair must not be over the collar.</p>
Jewellery	<p>Students are permitted to wear a watch.</p> <p>Girls are only permitted to wear one stud earring per ear. No other jewellery is allowed.</p> <p>All jewellery is required to be removed for practical / physical lessons.</p> <p>Yas American Academy is not liable for any loss or damage to any item of jewellery.</p>

Secondary School (Grade 6 - Grade 12)	
The items below are OPTIONAL and MAY be worn within Yas American Academy.	
Tracksuit Trousers	Trousers may be worn during sports activities instead of shorts.
Aldar Hoodies	<p>Parents may purchase the Aldar hoodie but this may only be worn in PE lessons, at the discretion of the teacher.</p> <p>Hoodies are strictly permitted to be worn during PE ONLY.</p> <p>If a child is misusing their hoodie, it will be confiscated by a member of staff where a parent/guardian will be required to collect and sign this out. This cannot be authorized by a nanny/driver.</p>
Headscarves	Girls may wear a white, black or navy headscarf.
School Jumper	Students may wear a school jumper to keep warm during their lessons and around the academy.

5.5 NON-PERMITTED UNIFORM.

Below are a list of items that are strictly non-permitted at Yas American Academy.

Non-Permitted Items - ALL STUDENTS KG1 - GRADE 12	
Cosmetics	<p>Make-up, lipstick, nail varnish, nail extensions or temporary tattoos are strictly not permitted at Yas American Academy.</p> <p>Deodorant spray is not permitted, we encourage students to bring roll-on deodorant sticks.</p>
Mobile Phones	<p>Mobile phones are not permitted to be used at Yas American Academy, Unless otherwise directed by the school teacher.</p> <p>Students are permitted to use the front of house phones after seeking permission to call a parent/guardian if required.</p> <p>Parents are required to contact the school directly if they want to speak to their child.</p>

If a child is misusing their mobile phone, it will be confiscated by a member of staff where a parent/guardian will be required to collect and sign this out. This cannot be authorized by a nanny/driver.

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