

8GA Uniform Policy

Brooke 8th Grade Academy dress code is strictly enforced. Students not in school uniform will remain in the **Main Office** or Dean's office until they can get in proper dress code. The dress code is in effect anytime students are in the school building, before or during the school day. During after-school events, students may be out of uniform only with the permission of a coach or teacher.

Uniform issues that can be fixed at school will be fixed as soon as possible so that students can get to class. This could include students removing undershirts, unacceptable socks (if wearing a skirt or shorts), hoodies, or non-uniform sweaters/sweatshirts. 8GA will sometimes have extra uniform shoes, shirts, and pants in a scholar's size; however this is not guaranteed. If extra appropriate uniform materials are available, students will be able to borrow the clothes for the day. Students will lose core value point(s) for arriving at school without an appropriate uniform shirt or pants/shirt or shoes.

1. Shirts and Outerwear

- a. Students must wear unaltered school shirts each day. Regulation Brooke 8th Grade Academy shirts are navy blue or maroon and have a visible Brooke logo. Only Brooke Charter School shirts may be worn. Shirts that specifically say Brooke Roslindale, Brooke Mattapan, Brooke East Boston, or Brooke High School (or have previous school logos) are not permissible.
- b. Undershirts must be solid black, grey, or white. Students will be required to remove visible undershirts that are out of uniform.
- c. Students must wear unaltered school sweatshirts, sweaters, cardigans or vests with the school logo over their uniform shirt in colder weather. Shirts that specifically say Brooke Roslindale, Brooke Mattapan, Brooke East Boston, or Brooke High School (or have previous school logos) are not permissible.
- d. Coats are not permitted to be worn in school after 7:45 a.m.

2. Pants and Skirts

- a. Students must wear khaki, navy, or black shorts, dress pants, or skirts. Spandex, jegging, and jean material are not permitted.
- b. Pants must not be too baggy or too tight nor torn or frayed. Other clothing must not be visible under pants (especially undergarments).
- c. Brooke shorts or Brooke sweatpants must be worn on days when students have gym class.
- d. Skirts and shorts should not be shorter than 2 inches above the knee. If a student is wearing a skirt, socks or tights that are worn must be solid black, grey, or white.
- e. If a student chooses to wear a belt, the belt must be solid black or brown.

3. Shoes

a. All black, all white, or black and white shoes are required. Shoelaces and all parts of black shoes must be all black. Shoelaces and all parts of white shoes must be all white. Shoes are acceptable only if they cover the toes, heels and don't have more than a 1" heel. Visible logos must be the same color (white or black) as the rest of the shoe. Sneakers must be worn on days students have gym.

b. Flip-flops, stilettos, stacks, platform shoes, crocs, slippers, and sandals/slides (shoes with exposed toes) are not permitted.

c. Shoes must be laced up, with tongue inside, and tied securely. Boots higher than the knee are not permitted.

4. Jewelry and Makeup

a. Any distracting makeup, jewelry, and wristwear is prohibited.

b. Sweatbands & wristbands are prohibited.

5. Head Coverings

a. Hats, hairnets, wave caps, durags, bonnets, and bandanas are not to be worn on campus at any time, except where mandated by religious requirements or with a medical note. Scarfs and cultural head wraps are permitted.

6. Distracting Clothing

a. No clothing, jewelry, or accessory that is determined by any teacher or staff member to distract from the learning process is permitted. This includes but is not limited to keychains, lanyards, pins, and accessories that communicate (i.e smartwatches).