

## UNIFORM POLICY

***Quail Lake Environmental Charter School prides itself on the conduct of its students. A well disciplined, neat, and clean atmosphere provides the best learning environment for students to take full advantage of their educational opportunities. All students must wear uniforms to school. Quail Lake is a uniformed school. By choosing to enroll in Quail Lake, you are choosing to honor the QL Uniform Policy and procedures.***

### **Purpose of Uniforms:**

- A. Increase campus safety and security:** Students or strangers who are not in uniform can easily be identified. Expensive jackets and clothing will not be a distraction for others.
- B. Increase school spirit and community:** Uniforms foster a sense of belonging and a spirit of identification and pride in the school.
- C. Increase acceptance for all students:** An emphasis is placed on “who you are”, and not “what you wear”. Uniforms help to eliminate elitism. No one student is “better” because of what he or she wears.
- D. Improve academics:** There is more time for teaching and a reduction of time spent on discipline. There is a business-like atmosphere for learning.

### **Uniform Step Policy:**

The following steps will be utilized by the Quail Lake staff for uniform policy violations.

- Step 1: Warning: Student will receive a Falcon BEST Form; noting uniform expectations
- Step 2: Loss of Falcon BEST point
- Step 3: Loss of Falcon BEST point, student meeting with Principal
- Step 4: Loss of Falcon BEST point, parent conference with Principal

***Additional uniform policy violations will be considered willful defiance of the Quail Lake Charter School Policy and suspension/school placement will be considered. Please see Quail Lake Parent/Student Charter Compact.***

\* A small selection of acceptable clothing items is kept in the office. Every attempt will be made to get students into dress code and returned to class as quickly as possible. In the event that clothes are not readily available at school, the parent(s) are expected to deliver clothes within the hour.

## **Quail Lake Charter School Uniform Policy 2016-2017**

How students dress at school should take into consideration the following:

1. Quail Lake Charter School Uniform Policy.
2. Weather and conditions of the seasons.
3. The active nature of children.
4. The requirements of physical education.
5. Recess activities.

### **ALL ITEMS AWARDED/PURCHASED THROUGH QUAIL LAKE ARE APPROVED FOR USE**

Parents and children should use good judgment in selecting the clothing the child will wear to school and abide by the following dress code. There is no deviation from the following uniform policy.

**Students will be held responsible and required to change immediately if they are not dressed accordingly.**

Garment Type	Style	Colors (solid only)	Fabric	Other Requirements
Tops	Polo Shirt Oxford Shirt Turtleneck Mock Turtleneck	Black White Navy Blue Gray Teal- (office)	Cotton Cotton Blend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All shirts must have a collar.</li> <li>• All shirts/blouses must fit properly.</li> <li>• No T-shirts (exception on Spirit Days).</li> <li>• No sleeveless shirts/blouses/dresses/jumpers</li> </ul>

		purchase only)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No logos/lettering greater than 2"x2" and must be within school uniform colors for tops.</li> <li>• Undershirts may be worn, but must be a solid uniform color and be tucked in.</li> </ul>
Bottoms	<p><u>Options for Boys:</u> Pants Shorts <b>(No sweatpants, sweatpant-like or athletic wear (active/bike shorts or legging type shorts))</b></p> <p><u>Options for Girls:</u> Skirts/skorts Jumpers w/collared shirt Dresses must be solid colored w/collar Dress in uniform colors (Black, White, Navy Blue, Tan, Gray) Pants Shorts <b>(No sweatpants, sweatpant-like or athletic wear (active/bike shorts or legging type shorts))</b></p>	Black White Navy Blue Tan Gray	Cotton Cotton Blend Cotton twill Corduroy Denim or denim-like in appearance (Friday only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be fitted at waist (no more than one size too large or one size too small).</li> <li>• Pant hems should be 1-inch from floor with shoes on and not bunched up at ankle.</li> <li>• All bottoms may not be cut, stapled, torn, or frayed.</li> <li>• Shorts, skirts, and skorts must be no shorter than 6" above the knee.</li> <li>• Capri length is allowed.</li> <li>• Blue jeans or blue jean like (in appearance) will be allowed only on Fridays with spirit wear.</li> <li>• No denim or denim looking pants or shorts of any color are allowed Monday through Thursday</li> <li>• Solid colors only. No stripes.</li> <li>• Jeggings with pockets/Leggings/bike shorts allowed under shorts or skirt, provided shorts or skirt is no shorter than 6" above the knee.</li> <li>• Having pockets on pants/leggings/jeggings/sweatpants or athletic attire does not necessarily constitute being within uniform policy guidelines. Pants must meet all other requirements.</li> </ul>
Sweaters / Sweatshirts	Cardigan Crew V-neck Hooded Zippered	Black White Navy Blue Gray	Cotton Rayon Nylon Wool Wool Blends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No logos/lettering greater than 2x2" and must be in uniform color for sweater/sweatshirts.</li> <li>• QL sponsored sweatshirts are acceptable.</li> </ul>
Jackets		Black White Navy Blue Brown Gray	Cotton Cotton Blends Rayon Nylon Wool Wool Blends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid color or any combination of the uniform colors.</li> <li>• No logos/lettering greater than 2x2."</li> <li>• Vests are not allowed, unless they are of thermal benefit (no decorative vests are allowed).</li> <li>• All visible parts of jackets, including lining, must be any color from jacket uniform colors.</li> </ul>
Shoes	Flat, closed toe shoes only, tennis shoes, boots	Black White Brown Navy Blue Silver/Gray (applies to shoelaces as well)	No restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid colors or a combination of uniform colors for shoes.</li> <li>• No logos/lettering greater than 2x2" or standard manufacturers logo and must be within shoe uniform colors.</li> <li>• Sandals, flip-flops, platforms, strapless shoes, or high heels are not acceptable.</li> <li>• No flames, skulls, or lights.</li> </ul>
Socks	Socks must not extend higher than the bottom of the knee	Black White Navy Blue Gray	No restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid colors or a combination of no more than 2 uniform colors only (colors listed to the left).</li> <li>• No embellishments.</li> </ul>

Belts	Dress belts Leather belts Cloth belts	Black White Brown Navy Blue	Leather Fabric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>End of belt cannot extend more than 3-inches beyond the first belt loop.</li> <li>Belt buckle should not have any obscene, alcohol, or drug related symbols. No spikes, rivets, studs, or additional applications.</li> </ul>
Caps / Scarves/ Head coverings	Beanie, baseball style	Black White Navy Blue, or combination of uniform colors.	Cotton knit Cotton blend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Caps cannot be worn inside buildings.</li> <li>Caps must be plain unless sporting school logo.</li> </ul>
Hair Styles	Hair style and/or color should not cause classroom distractions	No unnatural hair colors or woven/glued additions (blue, pink, etc.).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hair (male) should not exceed collar.</li> <li>Hair should not hinder classroom instruction in anyway (i.e.-in eyes, etc.)</li> <li>No mohawks, excessive "spiking", etc.</li> <li>See Sanger Unified dress code policy.</li> </ul>
Hair Ribbons / Barrettes		Black White Navy Blue Teal Silver Tan	No restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hair accessories should not cause a distraction.</li> <li>Hair accessories must be in uniform colors.</li> </ul>
Backpacks / Binders	Backpacks must be in original state from at time of purchase; no modifications	No restrictions	No restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing or drawings of any kind are not allowed on either the backpack or binder (except a name label for appropriate identification purposes).</li> </ul>
Jewelry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to finger rings and one wristwatch only. Smart Watches must be in backpacks during school hours.</li> <li>No bracelets unless they are Quail Lake issued.</li> <li>No visible body piercings.</li> <li>Earrings allowed only for female students and limited to one stud earring per ear.</li> <li>No dangling or hoop earrings.</li> <li>Necklaces are to be tucked underneath polo shirt or spirit shirt.</li> </ul>			
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athletic spirit wear may only be SUSD team apparel (may be from WAMS if student is playing for a WAMS team), and worn on game days during that sport's season only or spirit days.</li> <li>Spirit shirts may be worn with jeans or uniform bottom on Fridays. Jeans with a polo shirt is not considered spirit wear for Friday.</li> <li>Sanger High School sweatshirts and t-shirts may be worn on Fridays as</li> </ul>			

part of spirit wear.

If at anytime you are unsure about any part of the uniform policy or if an article of dress is acceptable, check with the office PRIOR to wearing the items to school.