



Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

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FAMU DRS: UNIFORM POLICY FOR STUDENTS

I. Dress Code/Uniform Policy

FAMU DRS Teachers and Administrators will enforce dress code policies that are listed below. DRS Students should dress in a manner that is respectable, well-groomed and in compliance with both DRS policies and State of Florida Statutes (F.S. 1006.07). These policies are geared to promote self-respect, school pride and self-esteem while minimizing classroom disruptions and other factors that could inhibit quality instruction.

The Dress Code/Uniform Policy requires:

1. Boys to wear **black or brown khaki** trousers or shorts, with either an **orange, green or white** oxford shirts or **orange, green or white** polo shirts (**in any color combination**) that have collars and buttons, with no additional insignias or markings other than the official FAMU DRS/University logo. *Specific color combinations are not required on specific days.* T-shirts that are worn under oxford shirts must be **ALL WHITE** with no visible print or writing. Shirts **must** be tucked in the pants. Pants shall fit snugly and securely around waist, navel and crotch area. **Sagging pants and pants with cut-off waist bands are not permitted.** A **BLACK or BROWN BELT** must be worn with uniform pants with a buckle that **should not exceed the width of the waistband.** **APPROPRIATE UNDERGARMENTS** must be worn at all times.
2. Girls to wear **black or brown khaki** pants, jumpers, shorts or skorts with **orange, green or white** oxford shirts or **orange, green or white** polo shirts (**in any color combination**) with collar and buttons, with no additional insignias or markings other than the official FAMU DRS/University logo. *Specific color combinations are not required on specific days.* T-shirts that are worn under oxford shirts must be **ALL WHITE** with no visible print or writing. Shirts **must** be tucked in the shorts, skirts or skorts at all times. Shorts and skirts shall be worn at an appropriate length with a minimum 5-inch inseam on shorts and skirts to fingertips. A **BLACK or BROWN BELT** must be worn with uniform skirts, pants, shorts or skorts, with a buckle that **should not exceed the width of the waistband.** **APPROPRIATE UNDERGARMENTS** must be worn at all times.
3. Joggers, cargo pants and sweat pants are not permitted. Tank tops, tube tops, halters, half shirts, bare backs, bare midriffs (abdomen) or spaghetti straps, low-cut necklines (showing cleavage), or see-through materials are prohibited.



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4. Solid black jackets and sweaters are permitted. During the colder month's solid Black coats and accessories (i.e. gloves, hats, scarves). Hoodies and sweatshirts are not permitted.
 5. Footwear should be **solid black or solid brown leather shoes** that cover the entire foot. Sneakers and tennis shoes may be worn **ONLY** during the physical education class. During the colder month's solid black or brown boots are permitted. Canvas sneakers, slides, sandals, thongs, flip-flops, slippers, wedges and heels above two inches are prohibited. Socks should be **solid black, brown or white**. During the colder month's **solid black, brown or white tights** are permitted.
 6. Sunglasses or unofficial headwear such as baseball caps (other than FAMU DRS Athletic Uniform caps during season), stocking, beret, bandana, headband, sleeve, frock, handkerchief, visor, headscarf, do-rag, or sock, are prohibited. Headwear and sunglasses must be kept out of sight inside book bags or in lockers. Winter hats shall be worn outdoors only in weather below 50 degrees. Head coverings worn or visible on campus will be confiscated. Parents must retrieve confiscated headwear within a week. After a week, confiscated headwear will be disposed of in a manner determined by the administration.
 7. Boys are permitted to wear earrings that are no larger than 8mm in diameter. Letters, insignias, emblems, hoops and any earrings larger than 8mm are prohibited.
 8. Girls' earrings should include plain hoops and dangles not to exceed 2" in length and/or diameter and studs that are no larger than diameter. Letters, insignias, emblems, hoops and any stud earrings larger than 8mm are prohibited.
 9. Physical Education (P.E.) uniforms are required for all P.E. classes, grades 5-12. The official DRS P.E. uniform consists of black or green gym shorts with the DRS logo included along with an orange, white or green DRS t-shirt, appropriate gym shoes and athletic socks.
 10. **EXCEPTIONS:** If a student enters FAMU DRS after the start of the school year, there will be a grace period of three (3) school days before being required to wear the school uniform. Students enrolled in a career academy may wear the uniform of that program. The superintendent, in consultation with the principal, may waive the school uniform policy on a case-by-case basis for either a disability, medical condition or sincerely held religious belief.

Note: FAMU DRS reserves the right to waive the uniform code in observance of school events such as Homecoming, Football game days, and other designated events.