

At Asheville PEAK Academy, we believe every minute of the day counts, and we aim to minimize any and all distractions from our vibrant learning environment. For this reason, and also because studies have proven uniforms reduce bullying and classism, PEAK scholars will adhere to a uniform policy. **For the 2023-2024 school year, RED polo-style shirts will be the only color permitted in order to have a true uniform dress code.** Scholars at A.P.A. will wear our professional uniform Mondays-Thursday. Fridays will be “dress down” days, when scholars may wear blue jeans and an A.P.A. t-shirt. Our uniform policy Monday-Thursday is as follows:

PROFESSIONAL PANTS/SHORTS/SKORTS/JUMPERS

- Must be **solid black**.
- Belts **must** be worn with pants if too large in the waist.



RED POLO-STYLE COLLARED SHIRTS

- Red polo (collared) shirts only.
- **Only the PEAK** emblem will be accepted on red polo (collared) shirts.
- Shirts **must** be neatly tucked into pants, shorts, or skorts.
- Scholars may wear long sleeve red polo (collared) shirts during winter/fall seasons.

SHOES:

Must be **tennis shoes/sneakers ONLY**. For safety reasons, no Crocs, sandals, flip flops, heelys, dress shoes, or any open-toed shoes are permitted. *Scholars must wear sneakers only.*

JACKETS/OVERCOATS

- Scholars should wear a jacket or coat to school when the temperature requires it. We believe fresh air and exercise helps children process their learning and focus during instructional time, so unless the temperature falls below 32 degrees, we will spend breaks and recess outdoors.
- All jackets and coats should be labeled with the student's name.
 - Coats **must** be put away upon arrival.

ACCESSORIES

Mittens and warm hats should be worn on cold days and removed once your child enters the building. Please label these with your child's name or initials.

- **One** bracelet or watch per wrist.
- Earrings **cannot** be larger than a dime.
- Caps/hoods **are prohibited** inside the building.
- Du-rags, bonnets, shower caps, or hair coverings designed for sleeping **are also prohibited**.

DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

- For your child's **first and second** dress code violation, you will receive written warnings.
- At the **third** dress code violation, you will be called and the dress code will be reviewed together and solutions will be discussed.
- After that, you will be asked to come in for a meeting with the School Director to identify the cause for the repeated infractions and a contract will be drafted to remediate the issue.