

Gray Academy Uniform Frequently Asked Questions

Who should be in uniform?

All Gray Academy of Jewish Education students will be expected to wear the school uniform during school hours. For 2008/09 only, uniforms are not mandatory for Junior Kindergarten or Grade 12 students.

What will happen if my child isn't wearing a uniform?

Students not in uniform will be sent to the office, and parents will be called to bring a uniform to school.

Can my child wear any of their own clothing to school?

All clothing worn during the school day must be part of the uniform: shirts, pants, shorts, over tops, skirts, skorts, kilts, ties and gym wear must be purchased from our uniform supplier.

What are the mandatory uniform pieces?

All students must wear a white polo/dress shirt and grey pants/ grey Bermuda shorts/ navy cargo shorts/ grey skort or kilt/ plaid kilt as appropriate by grade. On gym days, students in Kindergarten through Grade 3 must wear their gym pants/shorts and gym shirt to school, for the day. Students in Grades 4 -12 should bring their gym pants/shorts and gym shirts to school to change into for gym class. Navy overtops are optional, and must be worn with a white uniform shirt underneath.

How should shirts be worn?

Shirts may be worn tucked in or out. Long sleeves may be rolled up. Shirts should be buttoned to cover undershirts.

What colour should belts be?

Belts may be worn with pants that have belt loops and where the belt provides a function other than being an accessory. Belts should be black, navy or grey.

What is the proper kilt length?

Minimum kilt length is just above the knee. Maximum kilt length is at parents' discretion.

Are students supposed to wear a tie?

Ties are optional for high school students. A plaid tie is currently available, and student council will coordinate a competition to design a school tie this year.

What kind of shoes should students wear?

Footwear should be all black, with heels two inches or lower. Approved footwear covers the foot completely: shoes or runners with black laces or Velcro, penny loafer or ballet style slippers, strapped Mary Janes. Clogs, sling backs, sandals, flip flops and boots are not approved footwear during school hours.

What about scarves?

Scarves of any kind are not part of the school uniform and are not to be worn during the school day.

What about socks?

Socks may be purchased from any supplier, in navy, grey or white. Knee highs and footed tights should be either navy or grey.

Can students wear cropped tights under their kilts?

Only knee highs or footed tights should be worn with kilts. For modesty, students may wear cycling-style or compression shorts under their kilts, which can be purchased from any supplier including Top Marks.

What about sweatpants?

Students may wear their sweatpants to and from school and during gym class only. The only exception to this is Kindergarten through Grade 3 students who will wear their gym uniform all day on the days when they have PhysEd class.

What colour should gym runners be? Gym socks?

Gym runners may be any colour as long as they have non marking soles. Socks can be navy, grey or white.

What are the rules for hair accessories and jewellery?

Hair accessories and jewellery are acceptable as long as they are conservative in nature, do not attract undue attention to the wearer and do not distract others from their school work.

How can I order more pieces?

Top Marks is our uniform provider; please contact them directly. Assistance with online ordering or exchanges is available by calling 1-800-667-7105 ext 239, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Photos of our school uniform and order forms are available online at www.topmarks.ca. Our school code is GRA01.

Our uniform has arrived, and some pieces don't fit. What should I do?

If you require a different size in any of the clothing you've ordered, please contact Top Marks directly. They will be happy to assist you through the exchange process.

Who should I contact with questions/ feedback about uniforms?

Questions about laundering, caring, sizing, ordering or exchanging uniforms should be directed to Top Marks. Questions about uniform guidelines should be directed to the administration.

Will there be changes to the uniform?

This is the school uniform for the 2008/2009 school year. The administration will assess and evaluate what changes/additions are appropriate in the future and will keep parents advised.