

2025-2026 Withrow University High School Uniform Policy

At Withrow University High School, we believe a school uniform promotes a positive learning environment, builds school pride, and supports a strong focus on academics. **All students are expected to follow the uniform guidelines outlined below each day**, unless otherwise communicated.

Approved Bottoms (Pants, Skirts, Shorts)

Colors: Khaki (Tan/Beige)

Black (Khaki-style material only)

Styles: Straight-leg pants, joggers, or slacks.

Skirts or shorts that are mid-thigh to knee-length

Guidelines:

- Bottoms must be worn at the waist
- Skirts and shorts must be a modest length that covers the upper leg, from mid-thigh to knee-length
- Clothing that is too short, excessively tight, sagging, ripped, or revealing **is not allowed**

Not Permitted:

- Denim jeans (any color)
- Ripped, torn, distressed, or sagging bottoms
- Sweatpants, pajama pants, leggings, or yoga pants
- Athletic shorts

Approved Uniform Tops (Polo Shirts or Withrow Branded T-Shirts)

School Colors: Black

Grey

White

Orange

Guidelines:

- Must have a collar (polo style) unless wearing a Withrow branded T-shirt
- Logos must be no larger than a credit card (3.5" x 2")
- Shirts must cover the midriff and may not be oversized or excessively tight

Optional Layers (for Warmth):

- Solid-color sweaters, crewneck sweatshirts or cardigans in black, grey, white or orange
- Withrow University High School branded sweatshirts or jackets are allowed
- No hoods may be worn inside the building

Footwear

- Closed-toe shoes only (Gym shoes, loafers, dress shoes)
- **Not permitted:** slippers, slides, flip-flops, or high heels over 2 inches
- **Footwear must be appropriate for school safety and daily activities**

Accessories

- **Student ID badges** are required to enter the school building, must be visible, displayed above the waist and worn at all times.
- Jewelry must be school-appropriate, not a safety issue and not disruptive to learning.
- **No head coverings** unless worn for religious or medical reasons.
- **No hats, scarves, durags, bonnets, bandanas, sunglasses, face coverings, ski masks, or beanies**
- **Headphones**, including over-ear models, **are not permitted** to be worn in **hallways or common areas** like the cafeteria or auditorium. Classroom use is at the discretion of the teacher.

Prohibited Items – Not Allowed in the Building

The following items are **not permitted inside the school building**:

- **Non-school color sweatshirts** or Sweatshirts with large non-Withrow logos, emblems, or graphics
- Bottoms that are **not** black or khaki in color or **not made of khaki-style material**
- **Ski masks** of any color

Students who bring prohibited items must leave them at the front of the building. Items will be retrieved at the end of the day on an honor system. Withrow University High School is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Student and Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Parents and guardians are expected to ensure students arrive in uniform each day. If a student arrives out of uniform, they will be required to:

- Borrow uniform clothing for the day (limit: **twice per quarter**)
- Contact home for appropriate clothing
- If a student refuses to change into proper uniform attire, the student will be **considered disobedient** per the CPS code of conduct and the parent will need to provide transportation home.

Dress Code Exemption for Teams and Clubs on Game Days and Special Club Events

Sports teams and clubs may wear approved attire on game days or special events **with prior permission** from a coach, sponsor, or administrator. Alternate attire **must be school-appropriate**, aligned with team or club identity, and maintain the standards of modesty and professionalism expected at Withrow High School.

Withrow University High School Visual Uniform Guide



***Any adjustments that are needed for medical or religious purposes will be addressed on an individual basis**