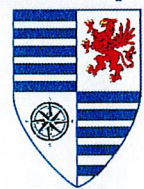




WORLD OF INQUIRY SCHOOL NO. 58

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World of Inquiry



High School

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Dear World of Inquiry Families,

The school year has come to an end and we begin to prepare for next year. Without question, we have faced many challenges not seen or experienced before in education. That said, we have persevered through it this school year together as CREW. We made great strides to work on the culture and climate of the school. We met the expectations in some areas, but we continue to work to improve upon others. As we prepare for next year, we also look to improve our academic performance and our attendance rate. To do so we must all be reminded of our commitments to one another as a World of Inquiry School community; as a CREW to improve upon the challenges ahead of us. I want to remind our community of the commitments we have made to one another in the crew compact (see reverse side).

I want to take this opportunity to reiterate and remind our school community that we are a uniform school. Being back to school in person at the start of the 2021-2022 school year, we suspended the uniform requirement at World of Inquiry due to a number of factors. Families were challenged to find vendors to order uniforms and vendors were challenged to fulfill orders given the pivot from virtual learning to in-person learning. As a school community we deemed it more important to have our scholars back together and in school after two years than worry about how to meet the uniform requirement. The elementary and secondary crew wear and uniform policies are enclosed. Going forward ALL scholars, grades K-12 must adhere to the school dress code and the uniform policy. Fastlane and Stitchworks will be our vendors for uniforms. Secondary students (grades 7-12) will need to order their uniforms from our two vendors. elementary students may wear crew wear. I encourage families to place their uniforms orders early and not wait until late August. We will have a limited supply of donated uniforms in our clothes closet for those who request it.

Please refer to the school website at www.rcsdk12.org/58 for information on:

- uniform policy and links to the vendors
- school supply list

I wish everyone a great summer and look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Sincerely,

Kwame Donko-Hanson

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National School Change Award – Fordham University
National Excellence in Urban Education Award San Diego State University
National Blue Ribbon Award – US Department of Education

2022-2023

World of Inquiry School

Crew Compact

School Commitment:

The World of Inquiry School will provide a rich learning environment for all students. The environment will challenge their thinking, promote learning by doing, and encourage life-long learning so that young people will be engaged, collaborative citizens. School leadership will focus on a combination of student learning, progress, and school community building. The Expeditionary Learning Schools model will guide the instructional program which will be provided by highly qualified teachers. We will embrace and cultivate relationships with our families and community to help our children succeed. The WOIS is a community of high expectations.

Parent Commitment:

I will have my child arrive at school every day ready to learn. I will provide my child with the support to be emotionally prepared to face the demands of school. I will ensure that my child will wear “crew wear”/uniforms daily, complete all homework assignments, and work collaboratively with adults and peers. I will be a full partner in my child’s education by attending student led conferences and exhibitions that celebrate and honor my child’s learning and work. I will be a member of the World of Inquiry School Crew and will hold high expectations from myself, child and school.

Student Commitment:

I will come to school every day ready to learn. I will nourish my body with sleep and proper nutrition. I will complete all my homework assignments. I will participate fully in my classes, crew advisory teams and learning expeditions. I will be a good citizen in my school and community by being respectful to my peers and teachers at all times. I will wear the full uniform daily. I will resolve problems in a productive way. I will be a part of a learning community that works in cooperative groups and respects each other’s opinions. I will be a crew member who believes we are a community of high expectations.





ELEMENTARY - CREW WEAR POLICY

2022-2023

PURPOSE:

To provide our students with the opportunity to demonstrate professionalism and school spirit in a strong, collaborative learning environment.

Order Uniforms - Vendors:

- **Stitchworks** Uniform & Sportswear 297 Culver Parkway, 14609 585-654-7522
 - Closed Sun & Mon; Tues-Fri 10:00am-5:00pm Sat 10:00am-2:00pm
 - <https://stitchwork.com/product-category/schools/world-of-inquiry-school/>
- **FastLane Apparel**
 - On-line Order <https://worldofinquiryitemorder.com/shop/home/>
 - Option for home delivery or delivery to school

SHIRTS:

Solid Polo (short or long sleeve) **Logo is not required**

Colors: light blue, navy blue, white, gray, black

Can be purchased at any store of your choosing.

PANTS, SHORTS, SKIRTS & SKORTS/JUMPERS: No Denim **Colors:** Solid

khaki (tan), black, gray, navy blue

Can be purchased at any store.

➤ **Pants no cuts, rips, or bleached pants.** Pants must be worn at waist level.

➤ **Shorts, Skirts & Skorts** must be **no higher than 2 inches** above the knee and must reach to the edge of the fingertips.

Note: On days students go to P.E. students can choose to wear navy or black track or sweatpants with shorts underneath.

FLEECES, CARDIGANS, SWEATER VESTS, SWEATSHIRTS:

Logo is not required

Colors: light blue, navy blue, white, gray, black.

Sweatshirts should be plain with no patterns, writing or commercial emblems.

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Please be advised that in addition to the WOIS Uniform Policy, all students are expected to follow RCSD Student Dress Code as noted below.

5300.25 STUDENT DRESS CODE

All students, from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade and adult education students, are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately (and age-appropriately) for school and school functions. The dress code applies at any time that students are on District property, including the school buildings and Central Office, and whenever they are attending any school function, wherever located. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable student dress and appearance. Teachers and all other school personnel should exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school setting, which is the workplace where the student is engaged in the vocation of education.

A student's dress, grooming and appearance, including hair style/color, jewelry, make-up, and nails, shall:

- Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.

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- Recognize that stocking caps, "doo rags," bandanas and hats (other than hats or scarves mandated by verifiable religious requirements or verifiable medical reasons); unbuttoned dress shirts or sport shirts; and extremely brief garments such as men's "muscle shirts," women's tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines (front and/or back) and see-through garments are not appropriate and not permitted. For school purposes, exposure of male or female navels or gluteal areas; bare chests; or cleavage are not appropriate and not permitted.
 - Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing, and that pants or slacks are cinched with a belt of appropriate size for the student's waist.
 - Include footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed. · Not include the wearing of hats in the classroom, study halls, assembly rooms, cafeterias, or internal hallways except for a medical or religious purpose.
 - Not include items that are vulgar, obscene, libelous, or denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, gender, disability, or sexual orientation. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.



WOIS DRESS CODE AND UNIFORM POLICY FOR GRADES 7-12 For 2022-2023

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SHIRTS:

Solid Polo (short or long sleeve):

- **Colors:** light blue (grades 7-8) or navy blue (grades 9-12)
- Polos must have school logo stitched on the front
- Polos are available for purchase, logo included

Solid Button-Up Shirt (uniform shirt from previous years):

- **Color:** Oxford solid light blue button-ups (grades 7-12)
- Button-ups must have school logo stitched on the front
- Ties are optional

Crew & College Wear Fridays: All students in grades 7-12 are permitted to wear Crew Wear or College shirts on Fridays ONLY. Crew wear includes WOIS, Griffin Athletics, Crew and Griffin shirts. College wear includes t-shirts, fleeces, or polos that promote any college or university. **College sweatpants and track pants are not permitted. Hooded sweatshirts are not permitted.**

PANTS, JOGGERS, JEGGINGS*, SHORTS, SKIRTS & SKORTS: Pants, Joggers, Jeggings*, Shorts, Skirts & Skorts can be purchased at any store as long as they meet the following requirements:

- **Colors:** Solid khaki (tan), black, or navy blue
- No cuts, rips, or bleached pants
- Pants must be worn at waist level
- No jeans or denim of any kind
- No yoga pants or spandex of any kind

Jeggings* are a form of leggings designed to resemble denim jeans but are NOT denim material. Jeggings are stretchy pants that are typically thicker material than traditional leggings or yoga pants. Unlike other leggings and yoga pants, jeggings may have faux pockets, belt loops, or buttons, etc.

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Shorts, Skirts & Skorts must be **no higher than 2 inches** above the knee and must reach to the edge of the fingertips.

Sweatpants are not allowed for daily wear. Mesh shorts or basketball shorts are not acceptable.

FLEECES, CARDIGANS, SWEATER VESTS AND BLAZERS:

- Students are permitted to wear any of the following colors: light blue, navy blue, white, gray, or black. All fleeces, cardigans, and sweater vests must have school logo stitched on the front.
- **Hoodies are prohibited** for daily wear including Griffin Athletics and WOIS Crew Wear (Hoodies may be worn to and from school during the winter months if students do not have access to a coat; however, hoodies **MUST** remain in lockers during instructional hours).

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