MIDDLE SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

All Utopian Academy students are required to be in uniform <u>every day.</u> Students are required to be in uniform during field trips and other school related activities as well.

The Utopian Academy for the Arts uniform standards are as follows:

6th Grade Shirts – All Shirts Will Be Tucked In

Girls: Black Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts Boys: Black Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts

7th Grade Shirts - All Shirts Will Be Tucked In

Girls: Gray Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts Boys: Gray Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts

8th Grade Shirts - All Shirts Will Be Tucked In

Girls: Burgundy Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts Boys: Burgundy Utopian Oxford / Polo Shirts

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Bottoms

Any khaki pants, <u>black</u> pants, or black jeans (Skirts, Shorts, Pants). Pants may not be distressed, and no holes of any type should be present.

SKIRTS, SHORTS, AND SKORTS: Fall two inches below the knee, loose fitting. (No joggers, sweatpants, or leggings, jeggings, jeans)

Shoes/Boots

All footwear must be closed-toe and no sling-backs. Flip flops and crocs are not permitted.

Outerwear (Boys & Girls)

Solid Black, Grey, or Maroon Sweaters/Jackets/Hoodies. All outerwear including sweaters, jackets, and hoodies must be in the before mentioned solid colors. Writing on sweaters, jackets, hoodies shall not be allowed.

Female Dress Code:

BELTS – Any color belt is acceptable.

JEWELRY - Conservative jewelry is permitted. No tongue rings or facial piercings other than ears or nose. Nose rings must be limited to studs; no hoops allowed.

TATTOOS - Fake or Real – Are considered inappropriate and are unacceptable.

HAIR - The style is a parenting decision but the inclusion of items into the hair will meet the following restrictions: the items may not be removed for any length of time during the day. The item will be very secure and if the beads or other small items begin to fall the student will be asked to remove the rest, place them in a bag and take them home. Any items or symbols in the hair that can be interpreted as advocating for or against anything or may be disruptive to the educational environment must be removed. Students may not groom themselves at school. Hairbrushes, combs and other items used outside of the restroom will be confiscated. All students' hair must be a natural color.

HEADWEAR – No disruptive headwear; No hats, scarves, or bandanas of any color.

KEYCHAINS - The keychain should be under the shirt, in the pocket completely, or put in a purse.

UNDERWEAR - No underclothing (panties, bra, slip, or any other item) should ever be visible through any method whether on purpose or accident.

Male Dress Code:

BELTS – *Any color is acceptable.*

JEWELRY - Conservative jewelry is permitted. No tongue rings permitted or facial piercings other than ears or nose. Nose rings must be limited to studs; no hoops allowed.

TATTOOS - Fake or Real – Are considered inappropriate and are unacceptable.

HAIR- The style is a parenting decision but the inclusion of items into the hair will meet the following restrictions: the items may not be removed for any length of time during the day. The item will be very secure and if the beads or other small items

begin to fall the student will be asked to remove the rest, place them in a bag and take them home. Any items or symbols that can be interpreted as advocating for or against anything or may be disruptive to the educational environment must be removed. Students may not groom themselves at school. Hairbrushes, combs and other items used outside of the restroom will be confiscated. All students' hair must be a natural color.

KEYCHAINS - The keychain should be under the shirt, in the pocket completely. The keys or chain should never be visible at school.

UNDERCLOTHES – No underclothing, including but not limited to boxers, brief, or undershirts should be visible, whether on purpose or accident

Uniform Schedule

The following uniform schedule should be observed by all students:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: Normal dress code.
- <u>Friday</u>: Dress Down Day Students may wear sweatshirts, hoodies, and other gear that represent UAFA. If students opt out of Dress Down Day, they must abide by the normal dress code.

Our uniform policy will be enforced on a daily basis. Students coming to school out of uniform will be required to call a parent/guardian to bring the missing/improperly worn item.

At no time should any aspect of student dress disrupt the learning environment.

Parents or students who have specific questions about a garment's appropriateness, financial assistance, or would like to request an exemption from the dress code for religious reasons should contact the pr