## Compliance

Students in all grades are to wear the school uniform at all times except on announced special occasions. Students will be checked each morning to see that they are in compliance. They may continue to be checked throughout the day, in the halls, classrooms, cafeteria, gym, and other parts of the campus. Students are to remain in uniform while in after school care. If students are not in compliance, they will not be allowed to attend class until in compliance. Students and parents who show continual disregard for the dress code will be placed on probation and possible suspension or withdrawal from the Academy.

## Spirit Wear

Students in K-12 are allowed to wear NTA Spirit Wear tops every day. NTA offers two vendors for approved Spirit Wear.

- NTA Spirit Wear (ntaspiritwear.com)
- offers t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies in a variety of styles and colors
- American Embroidery
- 4225 Ramsey St - across the street from school
- 910-491-0129
- Has some NTA Spirit Wear in stock and you may also order from the store
- Approved for embroidery of NTA uniform shirts


## General Uniform Policy (all grades)

- Students attending any school event or function not requiring the school uniform must be appropriately dressed. Students should consider the "tone" of our uniform policy when dressing for school functions. Extremes in style that call undue attention are not appropriate and should be avoided. Examples of calling undue attention, which will not be allowed, are the piercing of visible body parts other than the ears (girls only) or having a visible tattoo.
- School shirts and sweatshirts cannot have any pattern or logo except the NTA logo.
- Shorts, skorts, skirts, and jumpers are to be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee (wearing shorts or leggings under a skirt or jumper that is too short is not in compliance).
- Dress, casual, or tennis shoes are allowed. Laces must be kept tied.
- Belts must be worn with all clothing that has belt loops (except kindergarten and first grades).
- Students must keep their hair neat, clean, and well groomed. Hairstyles that call excessive attention to a student are not acceptable.
- Boys are to keep their hair moderate in length and style. Sideburns should not be below the ear.
- Administration reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of hairstyles or hair coloring.
- Boys should be clean-shaven, unless there is a documented medical exemption.
- Boys are not permitted to wear earrings at school or to any school function. Wallet chains are not permitted.
- Body-piercing jewelry (except for girls' earrings), tattoos, or other body painting or markings are not allowed.
- Hats and sunglasses are not to be worn during the school day unless specifically permitted for special school-authorized events.
- Sleeveless shirts may not be worn.
- Whenever a field trip involves water activities, girls should wear one-piece swimsuits with no cut-outs or they will be required to wear a shirt over the bathing suit.
- Seniors may wear college shirts and hoodies on Fridays only.
- Students in grades 7-12 participating in PE are required to wear the NTA PE uniform t-shirt and gym shorts. PE uniforms are available for purchase in the main office.


## Uniform Policy (K-12th Grade)

Students in kindergarten through $12^{\text {th }}$ grade may wear NTA Spirit Wear tops every day. They may also wear uniform tops and bottoms from the vendor or store of your choice.

If parents choose to order tops from one of NTA's uniform partner sites (Lands' End, French Toast, Tommy Hilfiger), the Northwood Temple Academy logo will be embroidered on the polos.

If not ordering from one of our uniform partner sites, then all polo tops must be embroidered with the initials NTA. The letters must be embroidered with 1-inch block style lettering. The letters must be on the left side of chest and read NTA in all caps.

American Embroidery (910-491-0129) or Erica McLaurin (910-850-1905) may be used for embroidery on approved uniform polo shirts and apparel.

## Tops

- NTA Spirit Wear
- Long or short-sleeved solid color polo shirt. All polo shirts must have the NTA school initials embroidered
- American Embroidery (910-491-0129) or Erica McLaurin (910-850-1905) may be used for embroidery on approved uniform polo shirts and apparel.
- All colors found on the partner websites (Lands' End, French Toast, Tommy Hilfiger) are acceptable. The school codes are: Lands' End - 900055930, French Toast - QS444DK and Tommy Hilfiger - NORT08. These links will be available on the NTA website.
- No long sleeve shirts or hoodies are to be worn under a polo shirt (grades 6-12).
- T-shirts sold by the NTA Parent Teacher Fellowship or NTA Booster Club may be worn on Fridays.
- Please note: Grades K-12 are allowed to wear NTA Spirit Wear every day. If students are wearing layers, please be sure that both the shirt and sweatshirt are spirit wear.


## Bottoms

- School uniform pants, shorts, skirts, skorts or capris may be purchased from the vendor or store of your choice.
- School uniform traditional or cargo pants in khaki, navy or black are acceptable.
- NO skinny pants, leggings or jeggings may be worn (grades 6-12).
- Students may wear shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers or capris. Shorts, skirts and jumpers are to be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- Leggings or shorts may not be worn under a skirt or jumper that does not meet the length requirement.


## Outerwear in the Classroom

- Students in grades K - 5 are required to have the NTA Spirit Wear or an embroidered fleece from NTA uniform partners (Lands' End, French Toast, Tommy Hilfiger) for use in the classroom. No other outerwear can be worn inside the school building.
- Students in grades 6-12 are required to have the NTA Spirit Wear, NTA Athletic Wear or an embroidered fleece from NTA uniform partners (Lands' End, French Toast, Tommy Hilfiger) for use in the classroom. No other outerwear can be worn inside the school building.


## PE Uniforms (Grades 7-12)

- All students participating in PE class will wear the NTA PE uniform t-shirt and gym shorts.
- PE uniforms are available for purchase in the main office. PE t-shirts are not considered spirit wear and must only be worn during PE
- Game Day - Athletes are permitted to wear game uniform top only. No warm-ups allowed.


## JEAN DAY

Jean Day is a privilege. Students who comply with all uniform rules throughout the week will be allowed to wear jeans (any color) on Friday. A proper fit of jeans should include proper length and waist fit. There should be NO holes or frayed jeans. Belts are still required with jeans and shirts must be tucked in. Students who fail to comply with the uniform rules during the week will not be allowed to wear jeans on Friday and will have to wear uniforms that day.

Students who wear jeans that have holes or are frayed will lose the privilege of jean day.

