

May 12, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian:

All students are required to wear school uniforms at David Lawrence Jr. K8 Center. A safe and disciplined learning environment is the first requirement of an effective school. Students who are safe and secure, who learn basic values and the essentials of good citizenship, are better students. Parents, teachers, and school officials have come to see school uniforms as one positive and creative way to reduce discipline problems and increase school safety.

The potential benefits of school uniforms include:

- Helping students concentrate on their [school work](#)
- Helping school officials to recognize intruders who come into the school
- Helping parents and students resist peer pressure
- Increasing school safety by reducing incidents of bullying, theft, and violence
- Building school spirit by creating a sense of teamwork and togetherness

All students are expected to wear their uniforms beginning the first day of the school year. Please refer to the attached School Board Policy 5511 – Dress Code and School Uniforms for more information on the requirements. You may also visit our school website at [www.dlj8.net](http://www.dlj8.net) for our entire dress code policy and to receive the latest news regarding school uniforms. Beginning 2025-2026, Upper Academy students will have different colors for the tops.

The selected uniform or a generic option can be purchased from ~~Ibiley~~ Uniforms, Stitching Gone Wild or a variety of other sources, such as department stores, catalogs, etc.

The school year will begin on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 8:20 a.m. The office will be open all summer from 9-2 p.m. Please feel free to contact the school at 305-354-2600 if you have any questions. Have a great summer.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alicia Costa-DeVito

Principal

Our School Logo is available at:

[Ibiley Uniforms & More](#)

(844) 706-5771

1267 NE 163rd St, Miami, FL 33162

[Stitching Gone Wild](#)

(305)302-0938

18415 West Dixie Highway, NMB, FL 33160



Dear Parents and Students:

**DAVID LAWRENCE JR K8 CENTER IS A MANDATORY UNIFORM SCHOOL.** A 10-day grace period is provided at the beginning of the school year for new or transferring students to obtain uniforms.

## **ID's and uniforms are required – NO EXCEPTIONS.**

### **UNIFORM POLICY LOWER ACADEMY (Grades Prek- 5)**

- Navy blue or khaki bottoms (dockers, cargo shorts, capris, skorts)
- Shorts and skorts must reach mid-thighs in length
- All shirts must be navy blue, light blue or white. Uniforms with the school logo may be purchased at Ibiley or Stitching Gone Wild.
- Sweatshirts and jackets can be worn; however, they must have the school logo or plain colored black or navy blue.



### **NEW- UNIFORM POLICY UPPER ACADEMY (Grades 6-8)**



- UNIFORM STYLE PANTS - The pants must be solid khaki, black or navy blue. Pants must be belted at the waist.
- UNIFORM STYLE POLO SHIRTS – **NEW FOR 25-26** The shirts must be solid color grey or royal blue with the school logo. The polo shirt must have no more than three or four buttons and be long enough to be tucked in. The shirt **must** have a collar and sleeves.
- No jeggings, leggings, sweatpants, exercise pants/shorts, stretch pants/shorts, jeans (of any color or length), dresses or skirts.
- Jackets/Sweaters/Sweatshirts – Must be solid black or solid navy blue in color. Writing, designs, slogans, or pictures of any kind are **not permitted**. For safety reasons, wearing hood while on campus is not permitted.
- Shoes must be CLOSED TOE/CLOSED HEEL ONLY no sandals, slides or crocs.
- BELTS - Must be solid in color. No large buckles or metal studs are permitted.
- Head gear – Hats, skullcaps, scarves or bonnets are not worn while on campus. Headbands may be no wider than one inch in width.

***Parents will be called when the student is not properly dressed. Appropriate clothing needs to be brought to the office so the child may return to class. The uniform policy is implemented so we may readily identify our children for their safety and security. School activities and event contracts require student compliance with the uniform policy.***