

Dress Code (K-8) – Continued

Golf shirts with the UC TEAMS logo MUST be worn. Students without the logo will be given a logo to sew onto shirts. Colors are as indicated:

- Grades K-2 (the junior achievers) SOLID YELLOW
- Grades 3-5 (the achievers) SOLID CRANBERRY
- Grades 6-8 (the scholars) SOLID (pale) BLUE
- Grades 9-12 (the leaders) White shirts with a navy jacket with school logo

All shirts must be tucked in with belts worn at all times. Pull over sweaters must be in solid navy blue with or without the school logo. Shoes or sneakers may be worn. Shoes must have closed heels and toes. No blue jeans, sweat pants, parachute pants or athletic pants are allowed. Head bands, hats or caps are not to be worn. **STUDENTS INAPPROPRIATELY DRESSED WILL BE SENT HOME TO CHANGE.**

Dress (up) Uniform

When a special program or school event calls for the students to dress up the following dress (up) uniform will be worn:

Boys: School blazer with logo, solid navy blue pants, white long sleeve dress shirt and tie, shoes, (no sneakers)

Girls: School blazer with logo, solid navy blue skirt, white **long** sleeve blouse, shoes, (no sneakers)

Availability: Pants or skirts may be purchased at any retail or uniform store. Our logo shirts may be purchased at Black Universities Supply (B.U.S.) at 410 Leland Avenue, Plainfield, NJ.

Dress Code - High School

The dress code for all high school students will be as follows:

Young Ladies:

- White oxford blouse with button down collar, or white turtleneck
- Navy Blue and Khaki skirts or pants
- School blazer and sweater with logo (required)
- Blue sweats, Gold tee tops, and sneakers (Physical Education Uniform)
- Dress uniform: white blouse/shirt, blazer and navy skirt, shoes

Young Men:

- White oxford shirts with button down collar
- School Blazer and sweater with logo (required)
- Navy Blue and Khaki pants
- Blue sweats, gold tee tops, and sneakers (Physical Education Uniform)
- Dress uniform: White shirt, navy tie, blazer, navy pants, dress black shoes



Union County T.E.A.M.S.
(Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Mathematics & Science)
Charter School
and
High School/College Leadership Academy (Grades 9-12)

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Grades K-12

Mission Statement

The Union County T.E.A.M.S. Charter School for Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Mathematics and Science is a small learning community where all students achieve high academic standards by using the built environment as a learning laboratory. Students in grades K-12 will gain the tools and confidence necessary for successful high school experiences, post-secondary education, and the world of work; will interact with professionals and others in the construction community, and will manifest by their experiential learning.

“We Are Community Builders”

Core Values:

- Trustworthiness
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Fairness
- Caring
- Citizenship

The School Day

School is in session for seven and one half hours. Arrival time is 8:00 AM. Teachers are available to receive students at 8:00 AM. Teachers are not available before 8:00 AM to supervise students. Students arriving after 8:15 AM are considered late and must obtain a late slip from the main office before reporting to their classroom. Dismissal time is 3:30 P.M.

All students must enter and exit from the Fourth Street entrance. Students will not be permitted to enter the school at the Fifth Street entrance. Late students must enter at the Liberty Street entrance and sign the tardy book before entering the school. K-2 students must be escorted by a parent.

When there is a scheduled early dismissal, the day is required by law to be at least four hours and twenty minutes long. All students will have eaten lunch before dismissal. Dismissal time is 12:30 PM.

Pick Up During the Day

Students must bring a note for dismissal during the day. Your child will be called to the office when you arrive.

Pick Up After School

Our primary concern is the safety of our students, staff and volunteers. If someone other than the parent or guardian is given permission to pick up your child the parent or guardian must notify the teacher and the main office identifying the authorized person.

Please understand that without a note or phone call a child will not be released to anyone other than the persons named on the emergency card in the emergency contact section.

LIFT – Aftercare

From dismissal at 3:30 PM until 6:30 PM, for a small fee, children grades K-8 may participate in homework, tutoring and recreation program after school.

Visitor Policy

All doors will be locked after 8:15 AM. Visitors will gain entrance by authorization from the security officer at the Liberty Street entrance. Students will be given a pass to enter the school level.

Visitor Policy – Continued

Parents and community residents are encouraged to visit school frequently and become involved in our school programs. All school visitors (including parents) must sign in and out of the visitors' book located in the main office, after being checked in by security. Visitors to the Classroom: The staff at UC T.E.A.M.S welcome parent visits and know that parents agree with us when we work to ensure uninterrupted classroom instruction. Therefore, visitation to any classroom is limited and must be arranged in advance.

Attendance

Students are expected to be in school every day and to be on time. The first 30 minutes of the day sets the tone for the remainder of the day. A student must be in attendance for 164 or more days in order to be considered to have successfully completed the instructional program for his/her grade.

Absence

If a child is going to be absent or late, the parent or guardian should call the main office (908 754-9043) by the start of the school day or leave a message on the 24-hour voice mail at that number. If the school is not notified, the parent or guardian will be called. The school must account for all children every day. If the school cannot obtain information regarding a child's absence, a home visit may be necessary.

Fire Drills

Fire drills are held two times monthly, as required by law. Security codes are also practiced once a month.

Breakfast, Lunch and Recess

Full pay breakfast and lunch are provided each day for a fee of \$1.00 for breakfast and \$2.25 for lunch. Lunch periods are 40 minutes in length, with approximately 20 minutes each for eating and recreation. Instructional aides and teachers supervise and assist the students in both settings. *Prices are subject to change.*

Medication at School

If your child requires medication during the school day, written parent/guardian consent and authorization by your physician must be given to the school nurse. Students are not permitted to keep medication in the classroom or on their person.

Dress Code – Grade K through 8

ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR UNIFORMS. Uniform dress code consists of: Students in Kindergarten through fifth grade must wear solid colored skirts/jumpers/pants. Middle school students/scholars have the option of wearing solid navy colored skirts/jumpers/pants or khaki colored (tannish-brown) pants. No olive colored khaki is permitted.