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Dear Parents/Guardians,

To promote a safe and supportive learning environment and improve school safety and discipline, all students attending Gateway Environmental K-8 Learning Center shall participate in a mandatory uniform program. Students are expected to wear the mandatory school uniform daily. Disciplinary action may be taken to encourage compliance with the policy.

### Elementary School Students

- Hunter green or white short or long-sleeved shirt with collar and school emblem
- Khaki & black pants/skirts/skorts/bermuda shorts (no jeans, jeggings, or leggings/tights)

### Middle School Students

- Brown or gold short or long-sleeved shirt with collar and school emblem
- Khaki & black pants/skirts/skorts/bermuda shorts (no jeans, jeggings, or leggings/tights)

Shirts have to be tucked in and belts worn at the natural waist. No hats, caps, beanie, or nonreligious headgear allowed. Closed toe and heel shoes with socks must be worn at all times. We recommend sneakers or flat dress shoes (No flip flops, CROCS, or sandals allowed). If at any time the temperature drops, students may wear dark solid colored sweatshirts and/or jackets on top of their school uniform while outside. **Hoodies (sweatshirt/jacket with a hood) are prohibited.** Hoodies will be confiscated. **No jeans, jeggings, sweatpants, or leggings/tights** are to be worn. Pants must have zippers & pockets.

At no time are students to wear anything offensive, immodest, or deemed inappropriate by administration or the code of student conduct. A student who wears items of clothing which, because of fit, design, color, texture, inadequate coverage, or some other factor, create classroom or school disorder or distract the attention of another student or students in any class in session from the lesson being presented or from any other assigned school activity, or which create a safety or health hazard for any student in school, shall be required to change the clothing to eliminate the disorder, distraction, or hazard. Failure on the part of a student to do so shall result in disciplinary measures which may include suspension from school.

Students shall come to school clean and appropriately groomed and dressed. Students whose personal attire or grooming distracts the attention of other students or teachers from their school work shall be required to make necessary alterations before entering the classroom or be sent home by the Principal. Students who fail to meet the minimum acceptable standards of cleanliness and neatness as determined by the principal and as specified in this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures in accordance with Policy 5500, and the Code of Student Conduct.

Not adhering to the uniform policy would result in the following:

- **First (1) Offense:** a student shall be given a verbal warning and the school shall call the student's parent/guardian.
- **Second (2) Offense:** the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of time not to exceed 5 days and the school administrator/designee shall meet with the student's parent/guardian.
- **Third (3) or subsequent offense(s):** a student shall be assigned to an Alternative Educational Setting for a period not to exceed 3 days, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period not to exceed 30 days, and the school administrator/designee shall call the student's parent/guardian and send the parent/guardian a written letter regarding the student's in-school suspension and ineligibility to participate in extracurricular activities.

The administrative team thanks you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,  
Tiffany Anderson  
Principal

