

# *Talkington Uniform Expectations*

In order to instill a sense of unity and promote academic excellence, students at the Talkington School for Young Women Leaders are required to wear a school uniform. Students must follow the guidelines below:

On a regular school day, students may wear the following—

## **TOPS**

- **SHIRT**
  - Black dress shirt with shield (**REQUIRED** for dress uniform)
  - Black or pink Talkington polo (middle school) or black, purple or pink Talkington polo (high school) purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY.
  - (**NEW OPTIONAL ITEM!**) Long-sleeve button down shirt in pink (middle school) or purple (high school). Must be worn buttoned and tucked.
  - On Fridays, students may wear a school t-shirt or another school approved t-shirt (summer program, student council, swim & dive team, etc.). The gray PE t-shirt may not be worn as a Friday t-shirt.
- **UNDERSHIRT**
  - Students may wear a scoop neck, short or long-sleeved solid color t-shirt in gray, black or white UNDER any of the Talkington uniform shirts listed above. Students are never allowed to wear the undershirt alone or alone under the Talkington hoodie jacket. Tank tops are not allowed as undershirts. Undershirts may not have embellishments (lace, sequins, etc.). Undershirts are not to hang past the bottom of the uniform shirt.
- **SWEATER VEST (NEW OPTIONAL ITEM!)**
  - May be worn over the black dress uniform shirt, polo (any color) or button down shirt (pink or purple). The shirt may not hang below the bottom of the sweater vest.
  - May be worn with any uniform bottom.
- **JACKET**
  - Talkington black hoodie jacket is the **ONLY** outerwear that may be worn on campus once the school day has started.
  - As the weather gets colder, students are allowed to wear heavy coats to school.
  - A non-uniform jacket must be stored in the student's locker until the end of the school day.

## **BOTTOMS**

- **PANTS or CAPRI PANTS**
  - Khaki pants or capri pants may be worn. (Black for high school)
  - Pants or capri pants must be "dress-type," with welt/slit back pockets (no full-size back pockets like on jeans).
  - No denim (khaki for middle school or black for high school).
  - No cargo/utility/carpenter-type pants or capris with side pockets, buckles, etc.
  - Full-length uniform pants can **NOT** be rolled to capri length.
  - Talkington-approved pants are available for purchase from Designs in Thread. The Dickies "SchoolWear" brand of work/dress pant is also an appropriate choice.
- **SHORTS**
  - Khaki walking shorts may be worn. (Black for high school)
  - Shorts must be the fingertip length.
  - Shorts must be "dress-type," with welt/slit back pockets (no full-size back pockets like on jeans).
  - No denim (khaki for middle school or black for high school).
  - No cargo/utility/carpenter-type shorts with side pockets, buckles, etc.
  - Talkington-approved shorts are available for purchase from Designs in Thread. The Dickies "SchoolWear" brand of work/dress short is also an appropriate choice.
- **SKIRT**
  - Khaki pleated skirt (required for dress uniform) purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY.
  - A khaki SKORT is available purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY. The skort can **NOT** be worn in place of the pleated skirt with the dress uniform.
  - (**NEW OPTIONAL ITEM!**) Straight black skirt for high school ONLY.
- **LEGGINGS**
  - Plain white or black leggings can be worn under skirts or shorts.
  - No lace or decorations.
  - Leggings may not be worn on dress uniform days.

## **FOOTWEAR**

- **DRESS**
  - Plain, closed-toe, black "flats" are required when wearing the Talkington dress uniform.
  - Heel should be no higher than one inch.
  - Plain black Sketcher-type shoes (rubber soles) are acceptable.
  - Dress shoes may be worn any day, but are required on Talkington "dress uniform days."
- **CASUAL**
  - Black, white, pink or gray/silver tennis or athletic shoes are recommended for daily wear.
  - No patterns or designs (checks, polka dots, plaid, etc.), mostly plain.
  - No high tops.
  - Black or white shoelaces only – shoes must be tied.
  - No flip flops, croc or mesh-type shoes, sandals or boots.

- **SOCKS**
  - Plain white or black socks.
  - No patterns or designs.
  - Socks can be knee or ankle-length.

#### **HAIR AND JEWELRY**

- **HAIR** - Students may wear their hair as they wish as long as it complies with Lubbock ISD Dress Code Expectations:
  - Hair should be well-groomed and not cover the eyes.
  - The hairstyle shall not create a classroom distraction.
  - Students can not have extreme color variations in their hair.
  - Hair accessories should be simple and coordinate with the school uniform.
- **JEWELRY** –
  - Necklaces must be worn inside the uniform shirt. Necklaces are not allowed to hang around the outside of the uniform shirt.
  - Choker-type necklaces worn tight around the neck are not permitted.
  - Earrings should be small and simple, no larger or longer than a quarter.
  - Any jewelry item worn should be tasteful and not be a distraction to the school uniform.
  - Hair accessories should be simple and coordinate with the school uniform.
  - Students may not wear body piercings, facial studs, facial rings, or tongue bars.

#### **DRESS UNIFORM**

On certain days, students are required to wear the **Talkington Dress Uniform** which consists of the following:

- Black dress shirt with shield (purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY).
- Khaki pleated skirt (purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY)
- Plain black dress shoes (see above)
- Black socks (knee or ankle length – NOT thigh high), black hose or footed tights. No leggings on dress uniform days. No white socks, hose or tights on dress uniform days.
- Small and simple jewelry (see above).
- Hair accessories that color coordinate with the dress uniform.

#### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

Talkington students participating in on-campus physical education classes (Competitive Athletics, PE, Dance) are required to wear the following for daily participation:

- Gray PE t-shirt (purchased from Designs in Thread ONLY). T-shirts will be marked with a student name. Students are required to wear their t-shirt daily.
- Black athletic shorts. Modest length. Solid black, no patterns or designs.
- White or black socks.
- Athletic shoes.

#### **SCHOOL UNIFORM REFERRAL**

Talkington students are expected to wear the appropriate school uniform daily, following the above guidelines. These guidelines are frequently communicated and reinforced with students. If a student chooses not to follow Talkington Uniform Expectations, she will receive a UNIFORM REFERRAL slip by any Talkington staff member. She will be required to report to the office where the appropriate response will be enforced, which may include:

- Removal/change of inappropriate uniform item (undershirt, socks, shoes, etc.) if an alternative item is available on campus.
- Call to parent to bring appropriate uniform item.
- Detention.
- Restriction from participation in certain school activities.
- In-school suspension.

**Multiple uniform referrals will be treated with disciplinary action and can result in a student's magnet status being revoked.**