

Fairfax High School

Academy for Communications and the Arts



Fairfax Academy ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & POLICIES

Badges & Hallway Passes

Fairfax Academy ID badges will be provided to all Academy students during the first week of the school year. These credentials should be worn during travel between schools and **must be worn on the campus of Fairfax High School**. Students who leave the classroom during class time must have both a written note from the teacher, AND wear their Academy ID badge. Students must pay a \$7 replacement fee if an Academy ID badge is lost. Badges are provided to identify individuals as Academy students as they leave their base school and while they are on the grounds of Fairfax High School.

Lunch

Students who need to eat lunch while at the Academy should talk with the FHS Cafeteria Manager, Ms. Eleanor Sinclair. She is willing to help students who qualify for free and reduced lunch and will work individually with Academy students who must get through the lunch line quickly and on to class. Students must wear their Academy ID badges in the lunchroom. Academy teachers have varied individual policies regarding food or beverages in the classroom. Students must check with their teacher before bringing any food or beverages to class.

Discipline and Dress Code

All FCPS students receive a Student Rights and Responsibilities update or handbook at the beginning of each school year. The annual SR&R quiz should be taken at the student's base school. All FCPS discipline policies stated in the SR&R are enforced at Fairfax Academy. Students are subject to Fairfax High School discipline guidelines while on the FHS campus. If there are any discipline problems at the Academy, the Academy Administrator will work with the student's base school administrator to determine and administer the proper disciplinary response.

Please Note: Students are not permitted to use portable music equipment (iPod's, etc.) while on the FHS campus. Any exceptions must be requested by the teacher and approved in advance for a specific project or purpose by the Academy Administrator. FCPS policy states that mobile phones must have the power turned off (not just on vibrate) and be out of sight on school grounds and on school buses during the school day. If this rule is violated, as per FCPS policy, the phone will be confiscated and the student's parent must pick up the phone from the Fairfax High School security office.

Academy students must adhere to the Fairfax High School and FCPS dress code. That policy prohibits wearing hats, hoods, and other headgear in the building (except for religious reasons). Violations will result in the headgear being confiscated for thirty days. The dress code also requires that midriffs and undergarments be covered at all times (including in Dance and Musical Theatre classrooms).