## Achievement Prep Middle School Newsletter

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Achievement Prep prepares students to excel as high-achieving scholars and leaders in high school, college and beyond.

#### Welcome Message from Principal Harrell

Dear Families,

To all of our new families, welcome to Achievement Prep! To our returning families, welcome to the 2018-2019 school year!

First, thank you for giving us the honor of educating your most important person or people. I know you have many options of schools in D.C. and I do not take the responsibility to provide an excellent education lightly.

This year we commit to helping your scholars to build his/her character and grow academically. We will focus on supporting scholars to display the DREAM values, which means they will show Determination, Respect, Enthusiasm, Accountability and Mastery!

We also commit to partnering with you to help your scholar reach his/her full potential. We know that when our partnership is strong scholars grow further and faster! Please be on the look out for different ways to get involved and support your scholars throughout the year!

I am looking forward to a making this school year our strongest year yet!

In partnership, Principal Harrell

#### **Upcoming Events**

♦ Sat. 8/11

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Baseline Testing for new scholars - 9-12pm

Mon. 8/27-Thurs.8/30 Prep Academy for ALL scholars - 1:30pm dismissal - scholars should wear plain jeans and a plain red t-shirt each day

♦ Thus. 8/30

Uniform Ceremony (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30am, 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30pm)

♦ Fri. 8/31

No School for Scholars - Staff PD Day

♦ Mon. 9/3

No School - Labor Day

♦ Tues. 9/4

Full school day begins (Arrival - 8:00, Dismissal - 4:00pm)

♦ Mon. 9/10 -Fri. 9/21 MAP Testing - Ensure your scholar gets a good night's rest and is on time each day.

♦ Wed. 9/26

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Back To School Night @ 6:30pm

♦ Thur. 9/27

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Back To School Night @ 6:30 pm



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# FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL Prep Academy

Who? All scholars, 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade

When? Monday, 8/27- Thursday, 8/30 Dismissal will be at 1:30pm.

What? This week will be used to teach scholars all the systems and routines for the 2018-2019 school year! We will set expectations with our new scholars and reset expectations with our returners. THIS IS THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL SO ATTENDANCE COUNTS! It is very important that 100% of scholars are in attendance.

<u>Uniform:</u> Scholars should wear jeans (no shorts), a plain red t-shirt and sneakers.

IMPORTANT: Please send one of your scholar's Achievement Prep polos in a plastic bag with his/her name on the bag and on the tag of the polo. This will be used for the Uniform Ceremony and will be returned on Thursday, 8/30 (see below).

<u>Uniform Ceremony:</u> Join us to celebrate your child officially earning his/her Achievement Prep uniform and becoming an Achievement Prep Scholar!

4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ceremony: Thursday, 8/30 at 11:30am 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ceremony: Thursday, 8/30 at 12:30pm



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# Achievement Prep Middle School School Supply list

2018-2019 Academic Year

□ 15 Packs of Pencils	<ul><li>3 Packs of Notebook Paper</li></ul>	<ul><li>6 One Inch</li><li>Black or Blue</li><li>Hard Binders (6</li><li>binders)</li></ul>
□ 4 Boxes of Tissues	□ 1 Pack of Expo Dry Erase Markers	5 Packs of White Copy Paper
□ 3 Containers of Clorox Wipes	□ 1 Pack of Markers	<ul><li>2 Pack of Highlighters</li></ul>
□ 5 Independent Reading Books	<ul> <li>Note: Scholars should keep 5 packs of pencils and 4 of the 5         Independent reading books at home and send all other materials         to school on the first day of Prep Academy.     </li> </ul>	



We need your scholar in school on time every day! Make sure he/she gets to school by 8 a.m. We have a lot for him/her to learn!

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### **Summer/Spring Uniforms**

Achievement Prep is a full uniform school. Beginning Tuesday, September 4, 2018 all scholars must be in full uniform everyday.

#### **Boys**

- Red, short-sleeved
   Achievement Prep logoed
   polo-style shirt (grades
   4-6 ONLY)
- ☐ Grey, short-sleeved Achievement Prep logoed polo-style shirt (grades 7-8 ONLY)
- Grey dress pants (purchased directly from Risse Brothers)
- □ Black belt
  - Belts must look professional and must be all black. They may not be overly wide or have metal or other items on the band.
  - Buckles must be professional and not oversized or distracting. Logoed or themed belt buckles are not allowed.
- ☐ Black or grey socks
  - Socks must be solid colors with no patterns or logos
  - Socks must match

Uniforms can be purchased at Risse Brothers.

Website: Rissebrothers.com Phone: (301) 220-1985

Address: 9700 Martin Luther King Jr Highway, Lanham, MD 20706.

#### Girls

- ☐ White, short-sleeved Achievement Prep logoed polo-style shirt (grades 4-6 ONLY)
- ☐ Grey, short-sleeved Achievement Prep logoed polo-style shirt (grades 7-8 ONLY)
- Red, black, white and grey plaid, pleated skirt (grades 4-6 ONLY)
- ☐ Grey pleated skirt (grades 7 & 8 ONLY)
- ☐ Red or white knee length socks
  - Socks must be knee length and solid color with no patterns or logos.
  - Socks must match.

# PE Uniforms (boys & girls) \*\*7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Only\*\*

(4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade will need a PE uniform beginning in Quarter 3 - January 28, 2019).

- ☐ Grey t-shirt with logo☐ Grey mesh shorts with logo
- ☐ Grey sweat pants with logo. Scholars must wear sweat pants over the mesh shorts. Shorts will only be allowed in the gym. Scholars are not allowed to wear only short.
- □ Black sneakers (no sandals, no boots, no booties, or no "boot like" shoes allowed).
   ONLY SOLID BLACK SNEAKERS ARE ALLOWED.

### **Both Boys & Girls**

- Black dress shoes or black sneakers (no sandals, no boots, no booties, or no "boot like" shoes allowed).
   ONLY BLACK, SOLID DRESS SHOES OR SOLID BLACK SNEAKERS ARE ALLOWED.
  - Shoes must be 100% black with no other color logos, no metal.
  - Shoes must be tied and Velcro must be fastened at all times.
  - Soles of shoes should also be black.