Academic Uniforms:

The standards of dress for technical schools are based on consideration of the safety and health of students and reflect those standards commonly acceptable in the business world and in industry. A student’s dress may not disrupt the educational process of the school. In addition, each shop will issue in writing its required dress regulations. These take into consideration safety, health, industry standards, and the educational process.

1. Academic Uniforms
   a. **Academic Shirts:** Academic uniforms shirts must be purchased through Stillman Uniforms, 271 Post Road E1, Westerly, RI 02891; Phone: 401-596-1600; email: stillmanu@verizon.net; website: www.stillmanuniformsri.com. Shirts are offered in long and short sleeve polo shirts and come in royal blue and gray with the Grasso logo. Shirts must not hang below pants pockets. *Academic uniform shirts must be worn during academic cycle.*
   b. **Under Shirts:** If students choose to wear a shirt under their uniform shirt, it must be solid color white, black, blue, or gray. Stripes are not permitted. Undershirts may not hang lower than the uniform shirt.
   c. **Outerwear:** The only outwear garments permitted during the school day are items purchased through the uniform vendor. Grasso sweatshirts and fleeces in royal blue or gray are permitted. Grasso hooded sweatshirts may also be worn during the school day.
   d. **Pants, Skirts, Shorts:** These must be loose fitting and black or tan only (Khaki, chino style). Uniform pants can be purchased through the vendor. All must fit properly and cover undergarments. Skirts and shorts are to be no higher than 2 inches above the knee. For safety reasons, jeans cannot have holes or designer type tears in them.
   e. **Prohibited Clothing includes:** Prohibited clothing includes any denim clothing, Cargo pants, “Carhartt” style jeans, torn clothing or items with holes, athletic wear, sweatpants, leggings, mini-skirts, and skin-tight pants.
   f. **Academic Uniform Shoes:** Close-toed shoes, boots, or sneakers are permitted. Backless shoes, “Crocs,” flip-flops, slippers, or moccasin style shoes are prohibited.
   g. **Other:** No Sunglasses. No bandanas or hat of any kind. Only headbands up to 2” in width will be allowed.

2. Freshmen Trade Exploratory Uniforms
   a. **Freshmen Exploratory Shirts:** Freshmen trade exploratory shirts must be purchased through Stillman Uniforms (information above) and be of proper fit. Only one style/color is available. Shirts must not hang below pants pockets. Once students have been accepted into their permanent shop, they must adhere to the uniform policy of that specific shop. *Freshmen trade exploratory T-shirts must be worn during trade exploratory cycles.*
   b. **Freshmen Exploratory Pants:** Freshmen may wear their academic pants or appropriate blue or black jeans during their trade exploratory cycles. For safety reasons, jeans cannot have holes or designer type tears in them. Once the student has been accepted into their permanent shop, they must adhere to the uniform policy of that specific shop.
   c. **Freshmen Exploratory Shoes:** Work boots with soles that do not damage or mark the floors. Light colored soles are best.
   d. **Safety Glasses:** Freshmen are required to wear safety glasses during their trade exploratory cycles.

3. Uniform Rules
   a. **Students are required to enter the building (except in Culinary) wearing a uniform to school each day appropriate for that cycle (trade or academic).**
   b. **Defacing of the uniform is PROHIBITED:** This includes cutting, decorating, and alterations of any kind.
   c. **Uniform Enforcement Policy:** Parents/guardians will be contacted when their student is out of uniform. Parents will be asked to bring suitable clothing to Grasso. Students unable to comply with uniform policy will be subject to disciplinary action.