

DRESS CODE/APPEARANCE

Student appearance is representative of both the student and MHA and should at all times reflect the CHERISH core values. MHA reserves the sole right to interpret and enforce the student dress code.

DRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT

Students out of compliance with the dress code will be required to change to return to class. If no substitute dress is available, a parent will be contacted to bring appropriate dress for their student to MHA. As a last resort, the student will stay in the office until in compliance with the dress code.

PRESCHOOL

- No belts.
- No jewelry.
- Tights or shorts must be worn under skirts and dresses.
- All footwear must have closed toes.

LOWER SCHOOL and MIDDLE SCHOOL (K-8)

- Any solid color Polo shirt.
- Long sleeve t-shirts worn under the polo may be of any solid color.
- Lower school students may wear white-buttoned tops. Middle school students may wear white or black-buttoned tops.
- All sweaters or fleece must be a solid color if worn in the classroom. MHA hoodies and sweatshirts are also approved in the classroom.
- Sleeveless shirts or tank tops are acceptable while participating in athletic activities.
- Solid color polo dresses.
- Pants, shorts, and skirts should be khaki or navy blue. Middle school students may also wear bottoms in black or gray.
- The length of shorts and skirts must reach mid-thigh.
- Leggings under skirts and dresses must be a solid color.
- A school-approved plaid is available from Education Outfitters (8170 S. University Blvd. #250, Centennial, CO 80122, 720.200.6666 or www.educationalfitters.com).
- All footwear must have closed toes. Footwear with non-marking soles must be worn for PE class.

UPPER SCHOOL (9-12)

Tops, Sweaters, Shirts, Blouses

- Any color or pattern is appropriate.
- Tops that are modest, cover the torso and not low cut. Sleeveless tops are approved provided that the shoulder blade is covered (no tanks or straps).
- Any MHA or College Hoodie. Hoodies cannot be worn with the hoods up inside the building.
- Sports, graphic, and logo shirts are not acceptable.

Pants, Shorts or Skirts

- Any color or pattern sized to fit.
- Hemlines may not be shorter than mid-thigh.

- Clothing that is in good condition without holes, tears, frays. Ripped or torn pants are not acceptable.
- Yoga pants, jeggings, and leggings are appropriate only when worn with tops that reach the thigh and encircle the front and back.

General for LS, MS and US

- Chapel (Monday) dress for PS-8 includes a school-provided polo.
- Clothing, notebooks, folders, backpacks, etc. should also reflect MHA CHERISH core values.
- Hats/caps/sunglasses are not to be worn inside the school building.
- Footwear must be worn at all times; close-toed shoes are required for PS-8 and in the science lab.
- Jewelry, except wristwatches, is not allowed.
- Visible tattoos are not to be seen at school or any MHA function.
- Undergarments should not be visible. Sports bras are considered undergarments and should not be visible including during athletics.
- Sweatpants or athletic style pants/shorts are approved only as directed during athletic activities.
- Clothing that does not cover the midriff is not approved.