

MS Dress Code

Students are expected to comply with the dress code and parents are expected to monitor compliance before their children leave home. **Final authority regarding dress code interpretation rests with the administration and is not subject to appeal.**

Our ultimate goal is to focus on the heart of our students. To maintain a biblical emphasis and create an orderly learning environment, a student dress code has been established. It has three guiding principles: safety, modesty, and appropriateness for the event. Within these guiding principles, our dress code encourages students to show their originality and express who they are.

Parents will be notified of dress code infractions and asked to bring dress code compliant attire for their student(s). After five uniform infractions the student will earn a detention. Please partner with us by reviewing your student's dress before he/she leaves home.

Dressing out for P.E.

- School approved physical education uniforms are permitted to be worn during PE only.
- Uniforms may be purchased through an online portal contracted by OCA.
- All students in 5th - 8th grade must change back into their school dress to transition from class to class unless P.E. is their sixth or seventh period class of the day.

Clothing with logos or slogans that push the envelope or are questionable are NOT permitted.

Unfortunately, many brand names come up with slogans that push the envelope of appropriateness, such as a hunting clothing line with the slogan "Bucked Up" on it. These items are not permitted to be worn at school. If you are unsure of the appropriateness, please discuss this with the assistant principal prior to wearing.

Please see chart on page 2.

Middle School	Approved	NOT Approved
Hair (Females)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair must be natural coloring & out of the eyes 	
Hair (Males)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural color • Dreads are permitted if they are a custom of the student's culture and are not longer than the collar or eyebrows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unnatural hair color • Below the top of the ear, the collar, or the eyebrows • Ponytails, beads, or bands • No asymmetrical haircuts or shavings • No facial hair
Jewelry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earrings - females only (administration can limit the number of earrings allowed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No bars/gauges • No body piercings
Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polo (any color and stripes) • Dress shirts (long and short sleeve) • Must be tucked in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any shirt style - no graphics larger than a standard shirt pocket
Belts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have belt if there are belt loops on pants (traditional belt style only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No non- traditional belt styles
Pants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform style pants only (khaki, grey, blue or black in color) • Cargo style pants • Uniform style pants with partial elastic waistbands - must have fastener and zipper at the waist. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No shorts • No form fitting skinny jeans • No jegging or jogger style pants • No full elastic waistbands or ankles (sweatpants) • No denim or knit fabric
Capris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform style capris (khaki, grey, blue or black in color) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be below the knee • No form fitting skinny jean style capris • No jegging/jogger style elastic waistbands or elastic at the knees
Dresses or skirts	ONLY for special occasions announced by the administration	
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed toe and closed back shoes • Rubber sole shoes (sneakers, etc.) • Boots after Thanksgiving to President's Day • Exceptions will be announced by administration • In PE - must wear sneakers/tennis shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sandals of any kind
Outerwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zip-up jackets w/ or w/o hoods • Zip-up windbreakers, vests, cardigan sweaters, or OCA wear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pull over sweaters, sweatshirts, or hoodies (except OCA hoodies on Wednesday Jean Day and Friday Spirit Day). • Hats are not permissible in the building. They may be worn outside on cold weather days.
Misc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing tattoos must be covered at all times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New tattoos are not permitted
Wednesday Jean Day (optional pre-purchased)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May wear denim jeans • Choice of T-shirt (or better); must meet academy approval • Shirts must be tucked in • OCA or plain hoodies may be worn, if participating in Jean Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No colored jeans • No form fitting skinny jeans • No jegging or jogger style pants (sweatpants) • No frayed, shredded, or holes in jeans
Friday Spirit Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denim jeans • OCA T-shirt or school uniform shirts • Shirts must be tucked in • OCA or plain hoodies, if participating in Spirit Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No colored jeans • No form fitting skinny jeans • No jegging or jogger style pants (sweatpants) • No frayed, shredded, or holes in jeans
NUT No Uniform Today	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday Jean Day may be worn on an earned NUT day • Sneakers or tennis shoes must be worn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No colored jeans • No form fitting skinny jeans • No jegging or jogger style pants (sweatpants) • No frayed, shredded, or holes in jeans • No sleeveless shirts
Dressing out for PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School approved PE uniform (purchased via online portal) • Sneakers or tennis shoes 	