

DRESS CODE AND UNIFORM GUIDELINES



UNIFORM POLICY OVERVIEW:

- Uniforms are required daily (Mon–Thurs) from approved vendors.
- Fridays allow for MC Prep Spirit Shirts + conservative jeans.
- Students out of uniform must wait in in-school suspension until corrected.
- Administration has final say on dress code compliance.

APPROVED VENDORS:

- **Uniform Tops:** Lands' End (with MC Prep logo).
- **Skirts/dresses:** Lands' End (MC Prep Store)
- **Pants/shorts:** Lands' End, Old Navy, Gap, Target, Children's Place.
- **Outerwear:** Lands' End, MC Prep Spirit Store, MC Prep Athletics/Clubs

GIRLS UNIFORM POLICY:

- **Tops:** Black or White Polo/Oxford with logo (Lands' End).
- **Bottoms:**
 - Black/khaki chino pants or shorts (Lands' End, Old Navy, Gap, Target, Children's Place).
 - "Top of knee" skirts/skorts (Lands' End only).
 - Shorts must be ≤ 3" above knee.
- **Dresses:** Black polo dress (K–5 only, from Lands' End).
- **Other:**
 - Must wear modesty shorts or leggings (black, white, gray) under skirts/dresses.
 - Shirts tucked in, belts required if loops are present.
 - Shoes: Tennis/dress/dress sandals (with back strap), clean and modest.

BOYS UNIFORM POLICY:

- **Tops:** Black or white polo/Oxford with logo (Lands' End).
- **Bottoms:** Black/khaki chino pants or shorts (Lands' End, Old Navy, Gap, Target, Children's Place).
- **Other:**
 - Shirts tucked in, belts required if loops are present.
 - Shoes: Tennis or dress shoes, clean and appropriate.

OUTERWEAR POLICY:

- ONLY MC Prep-issued sweaters, jackets, cardigans, vests, blazers, etc.
- MC Prep polo must be worn underneath outerwear at all times.

NEVER PERMITTED:

- Non-MC Prep outerwear inside
- Flip flops, slides
- Joggers or black jeans as uniform
- Spirit wear shirts Mon–Thurs
- Hats/hoods/blankets inside
- Revealing, dirty, frayed or immodest attire

PERSONAL HYGIENE GUIDELINES FOR BOYS:

- Hair should be trimmed evenly across the neck, and it should be no longer than the top of the shirt collar. Hair should be neatly combed and clean. Any hairstyle that is considered inappropriate or a distraction to the learning process by the head of school will be dealt with as a grooming violation.
- No earrings, body piercings, facial hair, or nail polish.
- Pants at the waist.
- No hats or hoods inside.

PERSONAL HYGIENE GUIDELINES FOR GIRLS:

- Girls' hair should be conservatively styled. Hair color that is too far off a student's natural hair color is not allowed. Hair should not hang down in the face.
- Hair bows/headbands that coordinate with the uniforms are permissible.
- Jewelry: Small/simple (facial piercings not allowed; small nose stud okay for high school).
- Elementary girls: No makeup.
- Secondary girls: Understated makeup/nail polish.

SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAYS:

Every Friday, students may wear a **Spirit T-shirt** (sold through MC Spirit Wear Store or purchased from an official MC Prep Event) and **uniform bottoms** or **conservative jeans** (any holes in jeans must be below the knee and no larger than 1 inch.) **No jean shorts or overalls** allowed. Shirts do not have to be tucked in.

- Students may wear crocs or clogs on Fridays.
- No sweatpants or joggers permitted
- Jeans must be neutral colors such as black, blue, tan.

SPIRIT WEEK DRESS CODE:

At various times throughout the year including Homecoming and Christmas, students are invited to participate in special dress up days. We want everyone to have fun, and show their school spirit, but please ensure your student adheres to the spirit week dress code below:

- No exposed midriffs, low necklines, or spaghetti straps. Sleeveless shirts with shoulders wider than 3 inches will be allowed for costumes.
- No uncovered leggings/tights. Leggings are only ok if the shirt/skirt/tutu over it clearly reaches mid-thigh.
- No weapon props
- No overly tight-fitting clothing
- All shorts, skirts, etc. hemlines no shorter than 3 inches above the knee
- If the jeans have holes, they must be below the knee, not bigger than 1 inch
- Sunglasses, hats, or other headgear may be worn, but NOT in classrooms
- No outfits in poor taste or that have a negative connotation.

SPECIAL EVENT DRESS CODE:

Ladies

- Modest Sweetheart Necklines Allowed
- Dresses may be strapless (if they fit properly) or include spaghetti straps.
- Dresses may be backless, as long as they are not cut below the naval.
- No 2-piece dresses allowed.
- Midriffs will not be exposed. This includes both front and side.
- With arms down at your side, if flesh touches flesh, the dress is inappropriate.
- Dresses may not have a slit that exceeds mid-thigh (this is fingertip length).
- Dresses may not be cut below the bust line.
- Undergarments should not be visible.
- See-through apparel is not permitted.
- Garments that are tight or low-cut are also unacceptable.

Gentlemen

- Formal attire is required - this includes tuxedos and suits (sports jacket, tie, dress shirt and slacks).
- Nice sneakers were approved by the Junior Prom committee.
- No baseball caps, no sunglasses.
- No T-shirts allowed.

If any student fails to adhere to these guidelines, parents will be called to bring a change of clothes. Student will remain in office or ISS until parent arrives with appropriate outfit.