

DRESS CODE AND UNIFORM POLICY

2019 - 2020

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

- Mount Pleasant Academy t-shirts or SOLID navy, white or red collared shirts
- Mount Pleasant Academy specialty t-shirts · spirit fest t-shirts or any school sponsored event shirt
- Solid (no patterns, stripes, or large logos) navy blue, tan khaki, white, or blue jeans long pants. No pajama jeans, or jeggings.
- Solid (no patterns, stripes, or large logos) navy blue, tan khaki, white or jeans shorts or skirts
- Solid (no patterns, stripes, or large logos) navy blue, tan khaki, white or denim dresses or jumpers
- Solid navy or white leggings may be worn only under appropriate length shorts/skirts
- Mount Pleasant Academy (or solid) sweatshirts or zip up sweaters (available through MPA)
- Any shirt worn under a dress or uniform shirt must be solid navy, solid white or solid red

DRESS CODE

This general policy acknowledges that appropriate, decent, and non-distracting attire must be worn in an educational setting. The goal of this policy is to assist students in presenting themselves in a manner that is conducive to a safe and orderly learning environment. Families are encouraged to monitor their students' dress to ensure compliance.

1. Shoulders must be covered at all times (no sleeveless shirts or tank tops).
2. Clothing must fit appropriately. Pants and shorts will be worn at the waist. Bottoms must not be too loose or too tight as deemed by administration.
3. Clothing must be appropriate for the educational setting. Undershirts, elastic waist athletic type pants/shorts/skirts are NOT acceptable attire outside of field day or special specified events.
4. No clothing, jewelry, or accessory will be permitted that displays profanity, weapons, violence, suggestive phrases, alcohol, tobacco, drug advertisements or other inappropriate phrases or symbols as determined by the administration.

5. Students may not wear accessories or jewelry that may be considered unsafe as determined by the school administration.

6. The minimum length of skirts, shorts, etc., must reach the point of the leg that is 5 inches above the crease in the knee. Skirts and shorts must be this length or longer even with leggings underneath.

7. Students may not wear hats, sweatbands, goggles, bandanas, hair picks or any headgear on campus. The hoods on hooded sweatshirts may not be worn.

8. Heavy jackets may not be worn indoors. **Any jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts worn indoors must be solid navy, solid white, or solid red.** The uniform shirt must be visible underneath. MPA sweatshirts are encouraged and available for purchase through the school.

9. Health laws require students to wear shoes at all times. To prevent accidents, students should avoid wearing shoes that slide off easily. Open-toed are acceptable but not recommended. All shoes must have a back or ankle strap. Flip flops, backless sandals (i.e.- Jack Rogers), bedroom shoes including slipper boots, and shoes with wheels are not permitted. Shoes with laces must be tied at all times. Athletic shoes are the most appropriate footwear for safety and comfort on campus.

If a student violates the uniform or dress code, we will...

1. Remind him/her of the dress code and write a brief reminder in the daily notebook/folder.
2. Call parent(s) and provide a school-owned option if parents are not available to swap out the clothing.

These measures will be taken in lieu of the student being removed from the educational setting for the balance of the day whenever appropriate. Students who repeatedly violate the dress code will be subject to disciplinary action. Parents are responsible for returning any school-owned shirts that they wear to the Main Office. A student who does not return the school-issued shirt may be charged a replacement fee.

** The same dress code applies during special events; however, students may be allowed to wear items based on the day's activities as approved by administration.*

***As of 2018 - 2019, we will not honor any previously obtained uniform waivers. If you are not able to afford uniform clothing, please contact the school office for assistance.*