

Board of

Directors Governance and Policy

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Middle School (Grades 6-8) UNIFORM POLICY

Monument Academy believes that a safe and disciplined learning environment is an important aspect of a rigorous school. Our uniform policy is intended to promote respect for the learning process, build school identity and community spirit, and to create a safe and orderly school climate.

This dress code applies at school as well as for school-sponsored activities, including events at other locations. Students must comply with the dress code appropriate to their gender.

Please review the styles, fabrics, and fit of items from our approved vendors. Items not purchased from vendors must match style, fabric, and fit as pictured and described on the following websites. Be sure to navigate to the Monument Academy approved items from each vendor.

Educational Outfitterswww.educationaloutfitters.comCode: C001086French Toastwww.frenchtoast.comCode: QS5QVJILands' Endwww.landsend.comCode: 900030560

SHIRTS All styles, fabrics, and colors must be consistent with the preferred vendor products. If you purchase from a local store, please compare style, fabric, fit, and color by using the links provided.	POLO SHIRTS: • Any color solid polo BUTTON-DOWN SHIRTS: Approved colors: • white • light blue	Approved fabrics include • interlock knit • pique knit • performance knit -Shirts must be tucked in -Layered clothing is not permissible
PANTS, SHORTS, BELTS All styles, fabrics, and colors must be consistent with the preferred vendor products. If you purchase from a local store, please compare style, fabric, fit and color by using the links provided.	PANTS: Approved colors:	Approved fabrics include Cotton blend twill Stretch cotton blend twill 98/2 Cotton Spandex Blend -Pants/shorts must fit appropriately (not too tight or too loose) and be in good condition - Pants must be uniform pant; this excludes pants with sewn on pockets, rivets, tapered style legs, non-vendor style fit or material, cargo style, etc. -Shorts may not be shorter than 4" above the knee (mid-thigh) -Layered clothing is not permissible -A belt is required at all times - Leggings/Yoga pants are not permissible.

SKIRTS, SKORTS, JUMPERS (girls only) All styles, fabrics, and colors must be consistent with the preferred vendor products. If you purchase from a local store, please compare style, fabric, fit and color by using the links provided.	Approved colors: • khaki • navy • black • Mayfair Plaid #92 (Educational Outfitters)	Approved fabrics include Cotton blend twill Polyester 60/40 Cotton Polyester Blend Polyester/Rayon blend -Skirts or skorts must not be shorter than 4" above the knee (mid-thigh) -Bike shorts recommended under skirts of any length -Other layered clothing is not permissible
SPIRIT WEAR Purchased through PTO	Fridays only	-Includes t-shirts and sweatshirts purchased through PTO -Includes MA sponsored activity t-shirts and hoodies
		-Spirit wear from prior years is permitted.

SWEATSHIRTS Purchased through Lands' End with MA approved School Crest	Lands' End School Uniform Kids Crew Sweatshirt	-May be worn as part of the daily uniform provided a uniform shirt is worn underneath and the collar is showing -The shirt underneath must be tucked in -The sweatshirt must fit appropriately, not oversized
Purchased through PTO with MA approved School Crest	Jerzees 1/4-zip cadet collar sweatshirt	-May be worn inside the classroom -Spiritwear and club sweatshirts are only approved for wear on spiritwear and free dress Friday
SWEATERS and MA JACKETS Purchased through PTO and/or approved vendor	SWEATERS and SWEATER VESTS • navy with Monument Academy Crest MA JACKET • dark grey • royal blue • black	-MA jacket and MA crest sweaters are the only outerwear permitted in class (along with the MA approved Sweatshirt from Lands End) Monday-Thursday -Hoodies are only allowed on spirit wear and free dress Fridays

SHOES, SOCKS, TIGHTS	SHOES: Athletic Shoe: Any color Dress Shoe/Flat:	-Shoes are always required and must be consistent with school safety
TIES (boys only) All styles, fabrics, and colors must be consistent with the preferred vendor products. If you purchase from a local store, please compare style, fabric, and color by using the links provided.	Approved colors: solid navy solid black Mayfair plaid #92 (Educational Outfitters) 	-Necktie or bowtie -Must be worn with a button-down shirt only

JEWELRY	 Students may have up to 2 earrings in each ear Earring length may be no bigger than 1" length and 1" diameter Students may have up to 2 necklaces and 2 bracelets No other visible pierced jewelry is allowed 	-Gauge-like earnings are not permitted.
HAIR	 Natural hair color only. Hair accessories must be blue, white, black, or a neutral color that matches the hair or uniform. Hair styles and accessories must not call unnecessary attention to the student No hats or bandanas in the classroom or building during school hours 	 Multi-colored hair is prohibited except for naturally colored highlights consistent across the hair. Students must avoid such things as coloring just the tips of hair or having large sections of hair a different color. Hair styles and accessories must not be radical and thus avoid distracting the learning environment. Prohibited hairstyles include, but are not limited to, mohawks, unusually or partially shaved hair, and face or eye-concealing cuts. No designs/patterns, symbols, or shapes of any kind may be shaved on the head. Novelty headbands are disallowed
HEAD COVERINGS/ SUNGLASSES	 Hats, bandanas, do rag caps, and sunglasses must be removed upon entering the building and are thus prohibited in classrooms. Head coverings for religious purposes must be pre-approved by the principal or designee. 	- Headwear can be worn for special programs with principal approval.

ATHLETIC TEAM CLOTHING	 Athletic jersey/jacket may be worn on game/event days Team Hoodies may only be worn on Fridays 	
BODY ART	No intentional created marks or writing on skin is permitted	
MAKE-UP/NAIL POLISH (girls only)	 Natural and modest make-up is permitted. No unusual or distracting colors (e.g. extensive black eye make-up or black lipstick). Up to two nail colors may be worn (ex: accent nails are permitted). Extreme nail decorations are prohibited, such as jewelry or writing. 	

Friday Dress

Each Friday, students in grades 6 and 7 will have a "Friday Dress" day. Students may wear MA spirit wear tops and denim bottoms. Spirit wear can be purchased through PTO. Casual clothing must always be in good repair. Students who are not in compliance with the "Friday Dress" day guidelines may be held in the office until a parent/guardian brings in suitable clothing. Students should remember that "Friday Dress" days are a privilege, not a right and could be eliminated if casual dress choices become an issue.

Free Dress

The first Friday of each month is a "Free Dress" day for all students and every Friday is a "Free Dress" day 8th grade students. The guidelines for allowable clothing on a "Free Dress" day are described on the last page of the grade-specific guidelines. Casual clothing should always be in good repair. Students who are not in compliance with the "Free Dress" day guidelines may be held in the office until a parent/guardian brings in suitable clothing. Students should remember that "Free Dress" days are a privilege, not a right and could be eliminated if casual dress choices become an issue.

Dress Code for Non-Uniform Days, Events and Activities

During the school year, there are days when the uniform requirement is waived. Those times include, but are not limited to, free dress days, school sponsored sports events, fine arts events, school social activities, etc. Clothing in violation of the following requirements will require a phone call home and new clothing brought to campus. Our non-uniform days adhere to the same uniform mission statement: Monument Academy believes that a safe and disciplined learning environment is an important aspect of a rigorous school. Our uniform policy is intended to promote respect for the learning process, build school identity and community spirit, and to create a safe and orderly school climate.

- Students are not allowed to wear clothing that contains wording or images that could be interpreted as racial, vulgar or offensive in any way.
- Tops must not be see-through, bare midriff, backless, strapless or spaghetti straps. Tank tops or sleeveless tops must be at least 2" wide at the shoulder. Cold-shoulder style shirts are permitted.
- Bottoms must fit appropriately in accordance with the style of the garment. No undergarments may be visible.
- Shorts and skirts may not be shorter than 4" above the knee (mid-thigh).
- All garments should be neat and clean with no rips, tears, or holes, even by design.
- Leggings/Yoga Pants are not permissible.
- Athletic shorts and joggers are allowed. They must be in good condition and fit appropriately. (No pajama bottoms)
- Shoes may be freely chosen on free dress days if they meet the requirements consistent with school safety: no sandals, snow boots, flip flops, Crocs, open-toe, clogs, light-up shoes, wheelies, open-heel shoes, or slippers. Heel height may not exceed 2".
- Hats or caps are not to be worn in the building unless it is part of the special program for the day.

Dances,-Parties, and Graduation

Special occasions call for special dress. We want our students to enjoy a special time while at the same time dressing appropriately for the occasion. On these occasions, clothing worn by students shall be in good condition, and neat in appearance.

- Dresses may be sleeveless, 'cold-shoulder' style, or have spaghetti straps.
- No strapless or backless styles are permitted. A sweater may not be used to cover up a strapless dress.
- Dresses must be no shorter than 4" above the knee (mid-thigh).
- Dress shoes are permissible if the heel is less than 2".