

Uniform Dress Code for MHMS

Grades K-5

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Approved Vendors

Uniforms must be purchased from one of the following approved vendors.

Please note: *not all products from these vendors are approved.* Use the following codes to reference only the approved products.

French Toast: www.frenchtoast.com (source code: QS5QAMW)

Lands' End: www.Landsend.com/school (source code: 900089913)

Required for all Elementary Students

Each K-5th grade student needs a **white shirt embroidered with the Merrol Hyde Magnet School crest**. These can be ordered from Lands' End or French Toast. You may also take purchased shirts to Concept One in Gallatin (615-452-2900). This needs to be a CRESTED SHIRT, not just one with the school name monogrammed on it.

Belts

All students except kindergarten students are required to wear a belt daily with pants that have belt loops. Only black, blue, and brown belts may be worn. No metal, sparkles, or jewels should be on belts except for a plain, metal buckle.

Shoes



**ELEMENTARY STUDENTS MUST WEAR GYM (TENNIS) SHOES
EVERY DAY – NO EXCEPTIONS**



- No Mary Janes, Sperry's, Ugg boots, etc.
- No worn out shoes with rips/tears or holes.
- No flashing lights, characters, or wheels on shoes.
- Non-marking soles only.

Socks and Tights

- Socks (ankle, crew or knee-high) or tights are required. Both socks must match each other and be solid colors. Colors allowed: white, navy, brown, grey, or black. Hawk logo socks (sold in the Hawk Shop) are the only socks with a design that are allowed. Solid socks that have a small logo are still acceptable.

Uniform Guidelines – All K-5th Grade Students

(Socks/Tights cont.)

- No nylons are allowed; only solid color tights or leggings. Colors allowed: white, navy, brown, grey or black.
- No lace or sheer allowed

Sweaters

- Colors: Solid colors only - White, yellow, or navy from an approved vendor on page 1.
- Styles: Crew neck, V-neck, Cardigan, Vests
- No cable knit, fleece, or sweatshirts.
- No tunic length sweaters.
- All sweaters must be worn over collared shirts.
- Sweaters may not be tied around the waist.

Outerwear

- There are no uniform code standards for coats worn to school. Students will be required to put coats away and **will not be allowed to wear them during the day – with the exception of recess**. This includes sweatshirts or hoodies.
- Students have the option to purchase a navy crested fleece jacket from Lands End to wear as part of the elementary uniform during the school day.
- We *recommend* that each K-5th grade student have one navy long sleeved sweater for use in the classroom during the winter months. Crested sweaters are optional and may be ordered from Lands' End or French Toast. You may also take vendor approved purchased sweaters to Concept One in Gallatin to be embroidered. This is the only approved outerwear that is allowed to be worn in the classroom.

Hair

- No extreme or unnatural hair color, hairstyles or hair accessories (such as feathers).
- Hair length must be worn to allow eyes to be seen at all times - not just when hair is momentarily swept back.

Other

- No excessive make-up.
- Students are not allowed to write on themselves with ink or paint.

Uniform Guidelines – K-5 GIRLS

Accessories

- Only solid color or approved plaid hair bows, scrunchies and ribbons that match the shirt, pant, or skirt colors. (not legging colors)
- Headbands must be a solid color or approved plaid to match shirt or pants colors.
- Barrettes – Solid colors only and brass or silver with no jewels or sparkles
- Earrings – Must be post only. No dangle or hoop style as this poses a safety concern in PE or recess. No gauges or earrings designed to enlarge earlobes.
- No excessive jewelry. This will be at the teachers' discretion.

Skirts, Skorts, Pants, Shorts, and Jumpers that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast.

All pants, skorts, skirts, and shorts should snap, button, or hook at the waist level.

- Colors: Navy or Khaki
- Plaid: The only plaid worn is Blue/Gold from the approved vendors.
- Uniform style with flat or pleated front and belt loops (except for elastic style for younger students).
- No rivets, metal accessories, cargo pockets, patch pockets, top stitched inner pockets, or blue jean style topstitching on seams may be worn.
- All cuffs and hems must be closed with no slits on sides.
- All pants and shorts must be hemmed. They may not be rolled up.
- All jumpers, shorts, skirts, and skorts may be no shorter than three inches from the bend of the back of the knee.
- No corduroy.
- No overalls or carpenter pants.
- No pants that sag or drag.

Shirts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast. All shirts **must** have collars.

- Colors: solid white, navy, light yellow or light blue.
- Styles:
 - Polo style knits with long or short sleeves.
 - Oxford cloth shirt with long, short or $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves.
 - Uniform style blouses with Peter Pan collar with long or short sleeves.
 - Mock or turtle neck shirts.
- No writing, emblems, or metal accessories on shirts.
- Any undershirt worn under uniform shirts must be white or the color of the uniform shirt. There should be **no** writing on the undershirt that can be read through the uniform shirt.

Uniform Guidelines – K-5 BOYS

Pants and shorts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast.

- Colors: Navy or Khaki
- Style: Uniform style with pleats or flat front and belt loops (except for elastic style for younger students.) All pants and shorts should snap, button, or hook at the waist level.
- No rivets, metal accessories, cargo pockets, patch pockets, top stitched inner pockets, or blue jean style topstitching on seams.
- All cuffs and hems must be closed with no slits on sides.
- All pants and shorts must be hemmed. They may not be rolled up.
- No corduroy.
- No overalls or carpenter pants.
- No pants that sag or drag.

Shirts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French. All shirts **must** have collars.

- Colors: solid white, navy, light yellow or light blue
- Styles:
 - Polo style knits with long or short sleeves.
 - Oxford cloth shirt with long or short sleeves.
 - Mock or turtle neck shirts are acceptable.

- **No** writing, emblems, or metal accessories on shirts.
- Any undershirt worn under uniform shirts must be white or the color of the uniform shirt. There should be **no** writing on the undershirt that can be read through the uniform shirt.

PLEASE NOTE: Any dress code or accessories that are deemed dangerous, distracting, or non-compliant will not be allowed. Final authority on any questionable dress, footwear, or accessories will be determined by the principal. Parents will be called to bring suitable clothes if clothing does not fall into these clear guidelines. MHMS is a choice school and students attending must adhere to this dress code.

Uniform Dress Code for MHMS

Grades 6-12

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Uniform Guidelines – ALL Students Grades 6-12

Belts

- All students are required to wear a belt daily with pants that have belt loops. Only black, blue, and brown belts may be worn. Belts must be primarily solid in color.
- No metal, sparkles, or jewels should be on belts except for a plain, metal buckle.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times for males and females.

Shoes

- NO worn out shoes with rips/tears or holes. Non-marking soles only.
- NO flip flops.
- In grades 6-8, all shoes must have a back—no slides, mules, etc.
- If a shoe requires shoe laces, they must be tied.

Socks and Tights

- Socks or tights are not required. Socks must match each other if worn.
- Only solid color nylons, tights or leggings are allowed.
- No lace or sheer allowed.

Sweaters

- Colors: Solid colors only
- Styles allowed: Crew neck, V-neck, Cardigan, and Vests. Must be purchased from approved vendors listed on page 1.

- No fleece or sweatshirts.
- No tunic length sweaters.
- All sweaters must be worn over collared shirts.
- Sweaters may not be tied around the waist and worn during the day.

Outerwear

The only approved outerwear items allowed to be worn during class are:

- Navy blue quarter-zip or full-zip Under Armour jackets **purchased from the Hawk Shop (or previously purchased from the ABC Closet.)**
- Grey quarter-zip pullover **purchased from the Hawk Shop.**
- Navy Lands End embroidered fleece jacket.
- Outerwear may not be tied around the waist and worn during the day.
- Other outerwear, such as team uniform sweatshirts or jackets, are NOT approved.

No hoodies, coats or other brand jackets are to be worn in class

Jewelry/Miscellaneous

- Body piercing on earlobes only.
- No excessive or distracting make-up.
- Hair length must be worn to allow eyes to be seen at all times, not just when hair is momentarily swept back.
- No excessive jewelry.
- Earrings may include dangle style and hoops.
- No gauges or earrings designed to enlarge earlobes.
- No caps, combs, bandanas, leg warmers, arm bands, gloves or chains.
- No extreme or unnatural hair colors or hairstyles, or hair accessories (such as feathers).
- Tattoos must be covered at all times.
- Students are not allowed to write on themselves with ink or paint.

Spirit Days/Jeans Days

On special occasions, students are allowed to wear Spirit Wear and jeans. On these days, students should adhere to the following rules:

- Spirit Wear: Approved spirit wear includes items purchased from the ABC (Athletic Booster Club) or Hawk Shop, MS order shirts, HS pillar shirts, athletic team gear, and club shirts.
- Jeans:
 - Jeans should be blue denim. No other color denim is allowed.
 - **No rips, holes, or tears.**
 - No jeggings.

Uniform Guidelines – Girls, grades 6-12

Skirts, Skorts, Pants, Shorts, and Jumpers that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast. All pants, skorts, skirts, and shorts should snap, button, or hook at the waist level.

- Colors: Navy or Khaki or Plaid: The only acceptable plaid is Blue/Gold from the approved vendors.

- Uniform style with flat or pleated front and belt loops.
- No rivets, metal accessories, cargo pockets, patch pockets, top stitched inner pockets, or blue jean style topstitching on seams may be worn.
- All cuffs and hems must be closed with **no** slits on sides.
- All pants and shorts must be hemmed. They may not be rolled up.
- All jumpers, shorts, skirts, and skorts may be **no shorter than three inches from the bend of the back of the knee.**
- No corduroy.
- No overalls or carpenter pants.
- No pants that sag or drag.

Shirts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast. All shirts **must** have collars.

- Colors: Solid colors
- Styles:
 - Polo style knits with long or short sleeves.
 - Oxford cloth shirt with long, short or $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves.
 - Uniform style blouses with Peter Pan collar with long or short sleeves.
 - Mock and turtle neck shirts are acceptable.
- No writing, emblems, or metal accessories on shirts.
- Any undershirt worn under uniform shirts must be white or the color of the uniform shirt. There should be no writing on the undershirt that can be read through the uniform shirt.

Uniform Guidelines – Boys, grades 6-12

Pants and shorts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast. Pants/shorts from other vendors are not allowed.

- Colors: Navy or Khaki.
- Style: Uniform style with pleats or flat front and belt loops. All pants and shorts should snap, button, or hook at the waist level.
- No rivets, metal accessories, cargo pockets, patch pockets, top stitched inner pockets, or blue jean style topstitching on seams.
- All cuffs and hems must be closed with no slits on sides.
- All pants and shorts must be hemmed. They may not be rolled up.
- No corduroy.
- No overalls or carpenter pants.
- No pants that sag or drag.

Shirts that adhere to the following guidelines may be purchased from Lands' End or French Toast.

- Colors: solid colors.
- Style:
 - Polo style knits with long or short sleeves.
 - Oxford cloth shirt with long or short sleeves.
 - Mock or Turtle neck shirts are acceptable.
- No writing, emblems, or metal accessories on shirts.
- Any undershirt worn under uniform shirts must be white or the color of the uniform shirt. There should be no writing on the undershirt that can be read through the uniform shirt.
- **High School Boys only** may wear solid dress shirts with a professional tie or bowtie.

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CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATING DRESS CODE

Possible consequences for violating dress code include—but are not limited to:

- Change clothes
- Detention
- Call parent to come and pick up until in compliance
- Return to school of zone
- Losing exemptions (high school)

MERROL HYDE MAGNET SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL DRESS CODE

On some occasions, middle and high school students will be asked to dress “professionally”. So that all parents and students know what constitutes “professional” dress, MHMS has adopted a professional dress code.

Females:

- Solid color dark pants or skirt. Skirts of modest length (3 inches from bend of back of knee) or longer; if in doubt, wear pants. Students may be asked to have their outfits previewed by the administration/club sponsors for prior approval.
- Jackets/sweaters/tops that match bottom; shirts should be buttoned to the collar bone area.
- Clothes should **not** be tight fitting or revealing and need to be seasonally appropriate (no summer dress in winter, etc.)
- Shoes need to be navy blue, black or brown; no open-toed shoes, flip flops or sandals.
- Hosiery (nude)/tights (navy blue, black or brown – matching skirt/shoes) may need to be worn in colder months.
- Jewelry should be kept to a minimum. No dangles or feathers are permitted.
- **NO** evening dresses or backless, strapless, sleeveless, satin, sequins, ruffles, lace, spaghetti straps, fishnet, denim, fur, see through tops with camis or anything similar.

Males:

- Solid color **dark** pants; **no** khakis
- Oxford/dress shirt; **no** casual polo
- Tie
- Sports coat; suit is preferable
- **Dark** dress shoes and **dark** socks – no tennis shoes

NOTE: DECA and Student Council may have students adhere to stricter guidelines for competition purposes.

Administration and teachers have the final word on whether or not something is inappropriate. Any student not within these guidelines will not be allowed to participate in the activity.

Game Day Attire for Athletes: During an athletic season, the coach may determine that the team will dress in uniform, professional dress, or other attire to promote team and school spirit. Athletes represent their team and their school, and will need to adhere to the coach’s expectations for these days.