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Dress Code

All students are required to adhere to the JMPS Dress Code when on the school campus. This does not just include the hours between 8:00 am and 3:15 pm. Unless given permission to do otherwise by administration, faculty, or staff personnel, students must always be in Dress Code when on campus. Students who violate the Dress Code are subject to disciplinary action, including suspension and expulsion for repeat offenses.

Schools with an enforced dress code tend to be places that are more serious about learning, with students more focused on their schoolwork. The tone at these schools is more businesslike than at schools where students wear whatever they want. This atmosphere promotes better discipline and attendance, which lead to higher achievement.

The JMPS Dress Code is designed with modesty, simplicity, safety, efficiency, and comfort in mind. The Dress Code applies to students on campus before, during, and after school.

- Students are not to change clothes on campus unless given permission to do so by a staff member.
- The Dress Code also applies to JMPS students attending school-sponsored events off-campus unless otherwise indicated by administration.
- Guests of students are also to be in Dress Code.
- Students who are unsure whether a particular outfit or article of clothing falls inside the Dress Code should bring the clothing in to Mr. Grant (boys) or Mrs. Caves (girls) for pre-approval.
- The Dress Code for specific, school-sponsored activities will be announced in a timely manner prior to the activity, and students who are out of Dress Code for such events will not be allowed to participate.
- Students who are out of Dress Code for off-campus or after-school events will be subject to on-campus consequences.
- The specifics of the Dress Code for these school-sponsored activities will be appropriate for the activity and will reflect the spirit of the JMPS dress code: modesty and harmony with the Code of Conduct. (Please see the section on appropriate dress at school sporting events.)
- The Dress Code designees reserve the right to prohibit any fads that may arise that are not addressed in the Dress Code.

All students are required to adhere to the JMPS Dress Code when attending school. Students who violate the Dress Code are subject to disciplinary action, including suspension and expulsion for repeat offenses. Students who violate the Dress Code repeatedly demonstrate disrespect for the school and for their peers who follow the Dress Code.

DRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE

Students who come to school out of dress code will be served a dress code ticket. This may occur at any time during the day. Students who receive a dress code ticket may be given a suitable replacement article of clothing to wear for the day. If a student refuses to wear replacement clothes, or there are no suitable replacement clothes available, the student's parent may be called to come and drop off appropriate clothing or to pick up the student so that he/she can go home to change into appropriate clothing. The student may be placed in in-school suspension until his/her parent arrives.

Each time a student is served a dress code ticket, he/she may be required to complete a sentence copying assignment. Students who are served dress code tickets may also be assigned community service tasks and/or supervised lunch.

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Students who repeatedly violate the Dress Code (more than 3 tickets in a trimester) will be placed on the discipline steps per the school's discipline policy.

The JMPS Dress Code for Young Men in Junior High School

It is recommended that families look for pants or shorts that are labeled or designated to be "school uniform."

Pants:

Permitted color for pants is:

Khaki

***Pants should be worn at the waist and reach the shoe, but should not drag on the ground. Pants should fit properly.**

The following types or styles of pants are expressly prohibited:

- Blue jeans, overalls, dungarees, corduroys, or denim of any style or color. This includes slacks that look like jeans, slacks with rivets, or predominantly double stitched.
- Oversized, ragged, tuck-rolled, or baggy pants.
- Cargo (any pants with pockets on the side), parachute, or athletic/sweat pants.
- Pants with drawstrings, shock cords, buckles, or patches.
- Pants with designs on the pockets.
- Any pants that do not conform to the color, style, or pattern specifications noted above.

Walking Shorts:

Permitted color for walking shorts is:

Khaki

- Walking shorts must fit at least one inch below the fingertips (standing upright with arms at sides), to just above the knee (2 inches).
- Walking shorts should not extend below the knee.
- Walking shorts should fit properly and be worn at the waist.

The following types or styles of shorts are expressly prohibited:

- Cargo, camper, or carpenter shorts.
- Swim, surfer, or board shorts.
- Denim shorts of any style or color.
- Unhemmed cutoffs.

Shirts:

Permitted color for shirts:

Black

- Solid polo shirts

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- **Solid button up shirts**
 - Button up shirts may be worn with an appropriate tie
- **Shirts may be long or short sleeved**
- **Shirts must have a collar**
- **Shirts must be worn tucked in**
 - Shirts must fit so that if student raises his hands over his head, his torso is not exposed.
- **Shirts should not have any logos-unless an approved JMPS logo**
- **Shirts must be buttoned to the top of the student's sternum.**

The following types or styles of shirts are expressly prohibited:

- Any shirt that is not a solid color of the types and styles noted above.
- Any shirt that is oversized, ragged or excessively stained.
- Any trade or uniform shirt that has not been approved in advance by the Director or designee.
- Hawaiian, bowling, or other casual wear shirts unless announced and approved in advance for a special occasion.

Shoes:

Shoes should be walking or athletic shoes in the permitted colors:

- **Dark Brown**
- **Black**

Shoes should be tied snugly on the foot in traditional criss-cross fashion

Shoes must be kept clean

Shoelaces should be the same color as the shoe

The following types or styles of shoes are expressly prohibited:

- Boots, sandals, clogs, sling-backs, crocs, or canvas shoes of any kind.
- Shoes/shoelaces that are not tied in traditional criss-cross fashion
- Shoes that are ragged, excessively stained, mismatched, or in a poor state of repair.

Socks: Socks are to be worn at all times.

Permitted sock colors:

- Black
- White

When wearing slacks, socks should extend to midcalf.

- The student's leg should not be exposed when sitting and wearing slacks.

Socks should not be:

- **Ragged**
- **Mismatched**
- **Poor state of repair**

Belts: Solid black or dark brown leather belt must be worn at all times.

- **Cloth belts are not permitted.**
- **Belts must fit properly and must be free of studs, rhinestones, grommets, and other decorations.**
- **Belt buckles must be free of logos and decorations.**

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- **The end of the belt when extended from the buckle must not dangle more than three (3) inches beyond the belt buckle.**

Underwear: Underpants must be worn at all times and must remain concealed beneath the student's clothing.

- Any solid colored t-shirts may be worn under Dress Code shirts.
- Long sleeve T-shirts are not allowed.
- Logos on undershirts must not be visible.

Headgear:

- Sunglasses will not be permitted indoors and must be stored in student backpacks or lockers.
- Non-prescription glasses are prohibited.
- **Hats are not to be worn or displayed on campus.**

Jewelry:

Limited to:

- **one (1) watch,**
- **one (1) bracelet,**
- **one (1) ring.**
- **One (1) necklace may be worn as long as it is always tucked under the shirt.**
 - Charm on necklace should be limited to one charm no larger than a quarter.
- **All jewelry must be tasteful.**
- **Body-piercing jewelry is expressly prohibited.**

Winter Weather Attire: Jackets, sweatshirts, and sweaters may be worn to school for warmth

- **Jackets, sweatshirts and sweaters must be free of words, advertisements, and logos.**
- **Hooded sweatshirts are permitted but must have a legitimate college, university or approved JMPS logo **ONLY**.**
- **Jackets are not permitted to be worn in the classrooms.**
- **Hoods are not to be worn over the head during class or at any time indoors.**

Extracurricular Athletic Attire: Students may wear T-shirts and shorts (or sweatshirts and sweatpants according to weather conditions) when they are actively engaged in extracurricular sports activities.

- **The exception to this is if the coach has established team specific practice uniform.**

Permitted colors for athletic shorts and t-shirts:

- **Red**
- **Grey**
- **Light Blue**
- **Dark Blue**
- **Black**

Athletic shorts and sweatpants must be worn at the waist, and shorts should extend to the knee. T-shirts and sweatshirts must have both sleeves intact, be free of holes, and extend to at least the hipbone.

The following types or styles of athletic attire are expressly prohibited:

- Tight, form fitting, revealing, or translucent shorts, pants, or shirts.
- Sleeveless A- or T-shirts.
- Shirts or shorts with any logo larger than six (6) square inches.
- Any shirt or pair of shorts that does not meet the specifications noted above.

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- Sweatpants or running pants with pant leg(s) rolled up.

Madison Prep Dress Code for Young Women in Junior High School

It is recommended that families look for pants, shorts or skirts that are labeled or designated to be "school uniform".

Skirts:

Permitted color for skirts:

- **Khaki**
- **Skirts must be worn at the waist and not tight**
- **Long skirts should not touch the ground**
- **Skirt hem should be even all the way around the skirt**
- **Skirt hem should go to the bottom of the knee cap or longer**
- **NO DENIM**

The following types or styles of skirts are expressly prohibited:

- Mini, tube, denim, leather, or pattern print broom skirts.
- Skirts with prints, patterns (other than plaid or houndstooth) and flamboyant colors are prohibited.
- Tight, short or revealing skirts.
- Skirts with rivets.
- Skirts that have an uneven or ragged hem.
- Skirts with designs on the pockets.
- Any skirt that does not conform to the color, style, or pattern specifications noted above.

Pants/Capri Pants:

Permitted color for pants:

- **Khaki**
- **Pants/Capris must be worn at the waist and not be tight fitting**
- **Pants must fit so they reach the shoe but does not drag on the ground**
- **NO DENIM**

The following types or styles of pants are expressly prohibited:

- Cargo pants of any kind, this includes pants with any external pockets on the side.
- Blue jeans, overalls, dungarees, or denim of any style or color. This includes slacks that look like jeans, slacks with rivets, or predominantly double-stitched.
- Oversized, ragged, tuck-rolled, or baggy pants.
- Parachute or athletic/sweat pants.
- Pants with drawstrings, shock cords, buckles, rivets, or patches.
- Pants with designs on the pockets.
- Any pants that do not conform to the color, style, or pattern specifications noted above.

Walking Shorts:

Permitted color for walking shorts:

- **Khaki**

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- Walking shorts must fit at least one inch below the fingertips (standing upright with arms at sides), to just above the knee (2 inches).
- Walking shorts should not extend below the knee.
- Walking shorts should fit properly and be worn at the waist.
- **NO DENIM**

The following types or styles of shorts are expressly prohibited:

- Cargo shorts of any kind.
- Tight fitting, running, revealing, or very short shorts.
- Oversized, ragged, tuck-rolled, or baggy shorts.
- Parachute or athletic/sweat pants.
- Pants with drawstrings, shock cords, buckles, rivets, or patches.
- Shorts with designs on the pockets.
- Board, surfer, baggy, skater, Lycra™, or Spandex™ shorts.
- Denim shorts of any style or color.
- Any shorts that do not conform to the color, style, or pattern specifications noted above.

Shirts:

Permitted color for shirts is:

Black

- Solid polo shirts
- Solid button up shirts
 - Button up shirts may be worn with an appropriate tie
- Shirts may be long or short sleeved
- Shirts must have a collar
- Shirts must be worn tucked in
 - Shirts must fit so that if student raises his hands over his head, his torso is not exposed.
- Shirts should not have any logos-unless an approved JMPS logo
- Shirts must be buttoned to the top of the student's sternum.

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Shoes must be kept clean

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- Boots, sandals, clogs, sling-backs, crocs, or canvas shoes of any kind.
- Shoes/shoelaces that are not tied in traditional criss-cross fashion
- Shoes that are ragged, excessively stained, mismatched, or in a poor state of repair.

Socks: Socks are to be worn at all times.

Permitted sock colors:

- Black
- White

Socks should not be:

- Ragged
- Mismatched
- Poor state of repair

Belts: Solid black or dark brown leather belt must be worn at all times.

- Cloth belts are not permitted.
- Belts must fit properly and must be free of studs, rhinestones, grommets, and other decorations.
- Belt buckles must be free of logos and decorations.
- The end of the belt when extended from the buckle must not dangle more than three (3) inches beyond the belt buckle.

Underwear: Underpants must be worn at all times and must remain concealed beneath the student's clothing.

- Any solid colored t-shirts may be worn under Dress Code shirts.
- Long sleeve T-shirts are not allowed.
- Logos on undershirts must not be visible.
- Young women should wear brassieres at all times.

Headgear:

- Sunglasses will not be permitted indoors and must be stored in student backpacks or lockers.
- Non-prescription glasses are prohibited.
- **Hats are not to be worn or displayed on campus.**

Jewelry:

Limited to:

- one (1) pair stud earrings
- one (1) wrist bracelet
- one (1) simple necklace
 - necklace should have one (1) charm and charm should be no larger than a quarter
- one (1) watch, and
- one (1) ring per hand are permissible.
- All jewelry must be tasteful.
- With the exception of earrings, body-piercing jewelry is expressly prohibited.
- Gauges are prohibited

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- **Red**
- **Grey**
- **Light Blue**
- **Dark Blue**
- **Black**

Athletic shorts and sweatpants must be worn at the waist, and shorts should extend to the knee. T-shirts and sweatshirts must have both sleeves intact, be free of holes, and extend to at least the hipbone.

The following types or styles of athletic attire are expressly prohibited:

- Tight, form fitting, revealing, or translucent shorts, pants, or shirts.
- Sleeveless A- or T-shirts.
- Shirts or shorts with any logo larger than six (6) square inches.
- Any shirt or pair of shorts that does not meet the specifications noted above.
- Sweatpants or running pants with pant leg(s) rolled up.

Appropriate Dress for Formal and Semi-formal occasions

At certain times during the school year, students gather in social settings and for school functions at which formal or semi-formal dress is most appropriate. Because Madison Prep students are representing themselves, their families, and their school, it is vital that the best examples of dress and decorum be demonstrated. Examples of such gatherings include prom, athletic or arts banquets, concerts, field trips to the theater or museums, or the homecoming dance. Prior to such events the Director will announce the appropriate dress, and students are required to comply. Those who do not dress appropriately will be turned away and may be subject to on-campus consequences.

In general:

“Formal” for young women includes a formal evening (or other) dress or formal pantsuit of appropriate modesty and dress shoes.

“Formal” for young men includes a tuxedo or a suit, dress shirt and tie, and polished dress shoes.

“Semi-formal” for young women includes a skirt or casual dress of appropriate modesty, professional attire (blazer and slacks), and dress or casual professional shoes.

“Semi-formal” for young men includes slacks, oxford or other dress shirt and tie, a sport coat, and dress or casual professional shoes.

Students may dress “above the code” on special days only. For example, a special day is if the student is on a team and it is game day. Students should uphold the dress code standard and shirts and blouses must have collars. All shirts and blouses **MUST** be worn tucked in. The Dress Code designee reserves the right to reject an “above the code” outfit if it is not within the letter or the spirit of the Dress Code. If it is not a special day, students should be within the Dress Code and not dress “above the code.”

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Dress Code at School Sporting Events

For Young Women: Shorts must reach mid-thigh. Pants cannot drag on the ground or be excessively baggy or tight. Pants must be worn at the waist. Skirts may be worn but must also reach mid-thigh. Tank tops are allowed but undergarments are not allowed to show, and the shirt must not show cleavage and must reach pants. Shirts must fit so that if the student raises her arms above her head her torso is not exposed. Blue jeans and T-shirts are permitted. Shirts must not have inappropriate language, logos, or pictures.

For Young Men: Pants must be worn at the waist, and shorts are allowed to extend one inch below the knee. Pants are not allowed to drag on the ground or be excessively baggy. No undergarments are allowed to show. Shirts must fit so that if the student raises his arms above his head his torso is not exposed. Blue jeans and T-shirts are permitted. Shirts must not have inappropriate language, logos, or pictures.

Headgear: Hats and visors are allowed, but must not be worn off center. Hats and visors must not have inappropriate language or logos. Bandannas are not allowed.

Shoes: Any sort of shoe is allowed to be worn.

Dress Code for Physical Education

Students at JMPS are to be in proper Dress Code for P.E. in order to participate. Proper Dress Code is as follows:

- Royal or navy blue, black, red, or grey shorts or pants are allowed. (Shorts shorter than two inches above the kneecap are not allowed.)
- Heather grey, blue, grey, and red shirts are allowed.
- Athletic shoes must be worn. No skateboarding shoes, canvas Converse shoes, or hiking shoes.
- Crew length (above the ankle) athletic socks must be worn.
- Jewelry must not be worn during P.E. (Necklaces, rings, earrings, watches, or bracelets)
 - If student has newly pierced ears, she must cover ears with bandages until she can safely remove the jewelry.

Failure to follow these rules will impact the students' grades as follows:

- If jewelry is worn to an activity, participation points will be taken away for that day. The students will still be allowed to participate after removing the jewelry if they choose to. This rule does not apply to a student with newly pierced ears if she follows the above mentioned rule.
- If students do not have the proper attire, they will not get participation points for that day.

Students are encouraged to bring their own water bottle, which can be filled up throughout the day with the school drinking fountains. They will be allowed to wear sunglasses or hats (JMPS only) for outdoor activities. Students are also encouraged to wear sunscreen for outdoor activities.

Students that have P.E. the first hour of the day may come to school dressed in P.E. attire. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure he/she has proper dress code attire for the rest of the school day. If students are not in dress code, they are subject to a dress code ticket.

Any questions regarding the P.E. Dress Code should be directed to Coach Miller.

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Personal Hygiene for Young Men and Women

Neatness, grooming, and proper hair care receive the same thoughtful attention as student dress. Judgments about proper personal cleanliness are at the discretion of the administration.

Hair shall not be dyed unnatural colors. Highlighting, frosting, or other hair coloring must be appropriate and natural in appearance. Hair must be kept trimmed so that the student's eyes are always clearly visible. Bangs shall be worn above the eyebrows. Bangs longer than the eyebrows must be kept out of the students eyes AT ALL TIMES. Young women may use neat bows, barrettes, headbands, and "scrunchies;" young men shall not. Twisting, spiking, and excessive use of hair gel or spray is prohibited. Facial hair should be neatly trimmed. Generally, students' hair should be clean and neatly combed or styled. There are to be no hairnets or bandannas. Students may be required to get a haircut in order to remain in Dress Code.

Tattoos (temporary or permanent) are prohibited. This prohibition includes pen and ink drawings on the skin. Students who disregard this prohibition are subject to disciplinary action.

Makeup on young women is permitted and should be applied tastefully, in moderation, and in an appropriate setting (e.g., the bathroom). Heavy eyeliner, gaudy lipstick, and fingernail polish of garish, flamboyant, or peculiar colors are not permitted. Solid, light colors are permissible. Dark colors, patterns, and speckles, for example, are not.

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Questions to ask yourself when purchasing clothing:

Pants/Skirts/ Shorts:

Are they permitted colors?

Is there anything listed in the dress code that is prohibited on the pants (additional pockets, rivets, ragged, too tight, etc)?

Are they too tight?

Are they the appropriate length?

Shirts/Blouses:

Is it the permitted colors?

Does it have a collar?

Can student raise hand over head without exposing skin?

Is it too tight?

Shoes:

Are they the permitted solid dark colors?

Are the laces tied in the traditional criss cross fashion?

Socks:

Are they solid black or white?

For young women, are they solid colored (black, white or nude) “footies”?

For young men, if wearing slacks, are the socks mid-calf?

Belts:

Does my student have a belt?

Is it in the required color?

Is it leather or a leather type belt?

Is there anything listed in the dress code that is prohibited on the belt? (cloth, free of decoration, etc.)

Jewelry (For young men):

Does this meet the jewelry requirements specified?

Is there one charm on the necklace?

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Is the charm on the necklace larger than a quarter?

Can the necklace be tucked into the shirt?

Jewelry (For young women):

Does this meet the jewelry requirements specified?

Are these stud earrings?

Are they gauges? (Gauges are prohibited)

Is there one charm on the necklace?

Is the charm on the necklace larger than a quarter?

Winter Weather Attire:

Is the jacket free of logos?

Hooded sweatshirts: Is it an approved JMPS logo or legitimate college/university logo?

For high school: Is the sweater black (black is the prohibited color in high school)?