

Dress Code 2011-2012

Research indicates that schools using uniforms have a stronger school culture and students perform better. We encourage our students to dress for success. We enforce the dress code guidelines to help keep an orderly school environment focused on learning. Students who come to school with clothing that violates school policy are asked to change into clean clothing that we keep at the school or to call a parent for a change of clothing. The dress code is described in detail below.

On a regular school day, all students are required to wear the basic uniform, which includes:

Pants: Khaki colored through brown tone pants, short, skirt, or skorts (no denim). Leggings in white, beige, navy, black or brown may be worn underneath.

Dresses: One piece dresses or jumpers in either khaki or navy blue. Leggings in white, beige, navy, black or brown may be worn underneath.

Shirts: Polo shirt (short and long sleeve) navy blue (preferred), white or light blue (no designs other than Monarch Academy designs will be allowed)

Long sleeve turtle neck or crew neck shirts in navy blue (preferred), white, or light blue (no designs other than Monarch Academy designs will be allowed)

Navy blue (preferred), white or light blue oxford shirts

Wingspan navy blue t-shirt

Footwear: Socks in colors of white, beige, navy, black or brown

Tights in colors of white, beige, navy, black or brown

Close toed shoes – any color or style but must fit the following description:

- Canvas, leather, or synthetic leather uppers
- Soft-soled rubber bottoms
- Lace up, closed by Velcro, or elastic pulls

Shoe MAY NOT light up or have wheels. Shoes may be low-tops or high-tops ... but not higher than the ankle. Boots are not allowed.

In addition to our basic uniform, the following may be worn inside:

Sweaters: With or without a hood, navy blue (preferred), white, or light blue (no designs other than Monarch Academy designs will be allowed)

Sweatshirts: With or without a hood, navy blue (preferred), white or light blue cardigan sweater (no designs other than Monarch Academy designs will be allowed)

Layers: In the colder months, student may layer shirt items but all items must be either navy blue (preferred), white, or light blue (no designs other than Monarch Academy designs will be allowed)

The garments below are NOT considered part of our school uniform, and are not to be worn in the classroom without permission:

Logo sweatshirts

Sweatpants, jeans or leggings worn to school as part of the uniform

T-shirts (except the Wingspan t-shirt)

Cargo pants with side pockets

Flip flops, open toed sandals, work boots, high heel shoes or any shoe that lights up or has wheels

During winter months, snow boots may be worn to school but must be changed to shoes upon arriving to the classroom

We expect students to attend school wearing clothing that is clean, neat, and appropriate to a serious learning environment. Shorts, skirts, and skirt slits should not be more than 2 inches above the knee. Additionally, students must remove sunglasses, excessive jewelry, coats, hats, caps, knit hats, bandannas and outdoor headgear (such as wool headbands) before entering the school building. Headgear maybe confiscated if worn repeatedly in the building and held in the office for a parent to pick up. We believe strongly that students, just like adults, need a balance of both physical and mental activity, and to spend time in outside environments. Students will spend time in outdoor activities throughout the year, unless it is raining or there are extreme temperatures. Please provide your child with climate appropriate apparel and sunscreen as needed. Snow pants, boots, gloves, hats, and scarves may be kept at school during the winter months.