



EMBRACE CHALLENGE,
DISCOVER YOURSELF.

June 2019

Dear Parents,

The spirit of the uniform dress code at Nichols Middle School is to provide a model for appropriate appearance in an educational and business setting. All attire (even on dress down days) should be in good condition, clean, and appropriate. Nichols Middle School has a vast array of gently used uniforms. Please feel free to purchase items at any time. Also, as your children grow throughout the year, please feel free to exchange items for larger sizes free of charge.

We are very pleased once again to present you with the options available for your child's uniform for the 2019-2020 school year. We will be working with Land's End as our uniform supplier. Each year we update the uniform options that are available to Nichols students. *Please confine your selections to those earmarked for Nichols students on the website*, which you may view at:

Lands' End website: www.landsend.com/school
Nichols Code: 900126202

The Nichols School logo is mandatory on polo shirts (both long- and short-sleeved), turtlenecks, and sweaters only. It is optional on all other uniform pieces. Finally, **please put your child's name on all pieces of their uniform for ease in identifying lost or mislaid items.** Other items with the Nichols logo sold at the Nichols bookstore (fleeces, pullovers, etc.) may be worn overtop the Nichols uniform.

Supplemental Pieces:

These are the pieces that complete the uniform, but can be purchased anywhere, according to personal taste. Please follow the guidelines below when making your purchases.

- Khaki or Land's End selected skirts (of an appropriate length nearly touching the knee) or pants (shorts are allowed in the fall and spring).
- Socks must be worn during the school day and can be any color, but should be designed for dress shoes and not for athletic footwear. Also, students should wear different socks during the school day versus during their athletic periods.
- Dress shoes/boots must be worn and be closed toe/heel. Heel height maximum 1-1/2 inches. Shoe laces should be non-athletic and appropriate to the dress shoe. Dress sneakers, fashion sneakers, anything close to an athletic shoe is not permitted.
- Sandals, flip-flops, slippers, etc. are not allowed.
- Solid color button down shirts are allowed accompanied with a tie.

The dress code is an important tool to help create a school atmosphere of learning and growth. As trends change, we attempt to adjust our policies accordingly. When making decisions around particular items of dress, we often refer to the 'spirit' of the dress code.

Sincerely,

Greg Plumb
Middle School Dean of Students



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7th and 8th Grade Athletic Equipment Requirements for the 2019-2020 School Year

All students participating in Physical Education are required to have the following locked in their assigned gym lockers at all times:

- Practice short(s)
- Athletic t-shirt(s)
- Athletic socks
- Sweatshirt(s) and sweatpants
- Cold weather accessories – hat, gloves, etc.
- Water bottle with name on it
- Two pairs of footwear:
 - One pair of sneakers – will be worn ONLY for indoor activities (*to protect the gym floor*)
 - One pair of sneakers or molded cleats – will be worn ONLY for outdoor activities (*or any footwear appropriate for a particular sport*)

Athletic clothing may be purchased at the Nichols Campus Store.

All students are required to use a Nichols School lock on gym lockers, which can be purchased in the Nichols Campus Store.

Additional sport specific requirements:

- **SOCCER:** shin guards, molded cleats
- **BOYS' MODIFIED FOOTBALL:** mouth guard, molded cleats, cup
- **GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY/TENNIS:** molded cleats are recommended, mouth guard*, field hockey stick, tall field hockey shin guards (that come up just below the knee), black spandex for under kilt, one white AND one black turtleneck, field hockey approved eyewear; tennis shoes, tennis racquet, 2 cans of tennis balls
***Combination Field hockey/Lacrosse eyewear is recommended for those athletes that participate in both sports. Please make sure that lacrosse eyewear meets ASTM 3077 standard for lacrosse and ASTM F2713 for field hockey. Generic mouthguards-\$2.00; SISU custom mouth guards available in the equipment room for \$25.00.*
- **BASKETBALL:** basketball sneakers
- **ICE HOCKEY:** pads (shin, elbow and shoulder), skates, helmet, hockey pants, cup/pelvic protector, hockey stick, neck guard, gloves and mouth guard
- **BOYS' LACROSSE:** helmet, shoulder and elbow pads, lacrosse stick, gloves, cup, green shorts, mouth guard (rib pads are optional)
- **GIRLS' LACROSSE:** mouth guard*, girl's lacrosse stick, molded cleats, lacrosse approved eyewear-must be labelled that it meets ASTM 3077 standard – new for 2017, black spandex for under kilt, one white AND one black turtleneck, water bottle
- **BASEBALL/SOFTBALL:** baseball/softball glove, molded cleats; boys – cup
- **BOYS' TENNIS:** 2 cans of tennis balls, tennis racket, tennis shoes

NOTE: Please clearly label all of your child's equipment and clothing with his/her name.



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8th Grade Supply List 2019-2020

General:

- Loose leaf paper
- Colored pencils/gel pens
- Highlighters
- Thumb drive (optional)

Subject Specific:

English: One 2-subject spiral notebook

Math: Dry erase marker
 One folder
 3-subject spiral notebook with perforated edges and pocket dividers or binder with loose leaf paper
 TI-84 calculator, recommended but not required

History: One 200-page spiral notebook

Science: One 3-single subject spiral notebook with perforated edges
 Colored pencils
 One folder

Latin: One 3-ring binder with dividers
 Dry erase markers and eraser

Spanish: Notebook or loose leaf paper
 Index cards
 Dry erase markers
 One folder

French: One 3-ring binder with 5 dividers
 One 1-subject spiral notebook
 Index Cards
 Paper (looseleaf)
 Correcting pen (red, green, purple)

Chinese: One notebook
 Index cards
 One folder
 One dry erase marker

Music: Pencil
 One folder

Drama: Pencil
 One folder

Computer: Pen or pencil

At Home (supplies that should be purchased and kept at home):

- Dictionary
- Thesaurus
- Index cards (3x5 flash/bibliography cards;
4x6 research note cards)
- Language specific Dictionary
- Stapler



NICHOLS SCHOOL CALENDAR-2019-2020
2/15/19

August 2019

Monday, August 19
Monday, August 26
Monday-Friday, August 26-30

Fall Sports Practices Begin
New Faculty/Staff Orientation
Opening Faculty Meetings

September 2019

Tuesday, September 3
Wednesday, September 4
Thursday, September 12
Thursday, September 19
Friday, September 27
Saturday, September 28

New Student Orientation (Grades 6-12)
Opening Day of the 128th Nichols School Year
US Parents' Go-to-School Night, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
MS Parents' Go-to-School Night, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Spirit Day/Big Green Party
Homecoming

October 2019

Friday, October 4
Sunday, October 6
Wednesday, October 9
Thursday, October 10
Monday, October 14
Tuesday, October 15

Convocation and Student Commons Dedication – Time TBD
All-School Open House – Time TBD
School Closed – Yom Kippur
Grade 9 and US New Student Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3:30-8 p.m.
School Closed – Columbus Day
Professional Day – No Classes

November 2019

Thursday, November 7
Friday, November 8
Monday, November 11
Wednesday-Friday, November 27-29

US Parent Conferences, 3:30-8:00 p.m.
US Parent Conferences, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (No classes for US students)
School Closed – Veterans Day
School Closed – Thanksgiving Break

December 2019

Thursday, December 5
Friday, December 6
Monday-Friday, December 16-20
Friday, December 20

MS Parent Conferences, 4:00-8:00 p.m.
MS Parent Conferences, 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (No classes for MS students)
US Mid-Year Exams
Holiday Break begins at end of school day

January 2020

Monday, January 6
Friday, January 17
Monday, January 20

Classes Resume
Professional Day – No Classes
School Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February 2020

Monday, February 3
Monday-Tuesday, February 17-18
Thursday, February 20

Professional Day – No Classes
School Closed – Winter Break
Sophomore Parent/Advisor Conferences, 3:30-7:30 p.m.

March 2020

Monday, March 9
Friday, March 27

Professional Day – No Classes
Spring Break begins at end of school day

April 2020

Monday, April 13
Monday, April 27

Classes resume
Professional Day – No Classes

May 2020

Saturday, May 2
Friday, May 22
Monday, May 25
Thursday-Friday, May 28-29

Derby Day Auction
Verdian Day; Jr./Sr. Prom
School Closed – Memorial Day
MS and US Exams

June 2020

Monday-Tuesday, June 1-2
Tuesday, June 2
Wednesday, June 3
Friday, June 5
Friday-Saturday, June 5-6

MS and US Exams
Senior/Faculty/Alumni Induction Luncheon
8th Grade Recognition/MS Awards Ceremony; Senior Thesis Celebration
128th Upper School Commencement, 11:00 a.m.
Reunion weekend