



## **Dress Code**

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of our school dress code is to establish a singular set of guidelines that are inclusive and accessible to all students. The academic dress code should elevate students' mindfulness of being prepared for learning as they enter class, and create respect for themselves and other members of the Forman community. To that end, Formal Monday will remain in its current state, as it helps students understand how to dress for a professional career, is a respect to the history and tradition of boarding schools and Forman, and sets a strong tone for the week.

At Forman School, distinctions between types of clothing help define the number of roles that students transition through during the school day: scholar, athlete, dorm community member etc. Forman School recognizes the individuality of personal appearance, and expects members to dress and act in a respectful manner at all times. It is the responsibility of the students and their parents to ensure that students dress according to school standards, and of the faculty to enforce those standards. Faculty may ask a student to change into appropriate clothing at any time.

Forman understands that the nature of both acceptable fashion and workplace expectations is ever changing, and as such, dress code may be reviewed and altered throughout the year to best reflect Forman's core values of Truth, Respect, and Kindness.

### **Requirements:**

#### **Official Forman Dress (Formal Mondays/special school events)**

- Khaki colored dress pants or skirt
- White oxford shirt, tucked in
- School tie or school scarf
- Blue blazer, traditional style
- Belt
- Dress shoes
- From Thanksgiving to Spring Break, appropriate footwear required for the weather is permitted, and a solid color crew neck or v-neck sweater may be worn over the white oxford shirt and tie, and beneath the blazer.



### **Class Dress Code**

- All clothes must be in good repair, without holes or tears. Length of clothing should be appropriate for the classroom and allow a student to sit and move comfortably.
- Acceptable tops include collared shirts, polos, sweaters, turtlenecks, dresses, or blouses. Tops should be free from graphics or words.
- Acceptable bottoms include khakis, chinos, slacks, and skirts.
- Optional outerwear include pullovers, sweaters, vests, jackets, blazers, coats
- Hats are not permitted in the classroom during the academic day, in the dining hall during meals, or during all-school assembly.
- Freshman, Sophomores, and Juniors must be clean shaven. Seniors are permitted to have facial hair as long as it is well groomed and professional.
- Footwear should be functional for the weather and walking required on campus. Footwear should be in good repair and reflect the professional spirit of the dress code.
- Athletic wear, hoodies, and sweatshirts are functional apparel for athletics and other after school activities, and may be worn after classes.

### **Leisure Dress (after class/weekends)**

While there is latitude in this category, acceptable clothing would be free of inappropriate slogans/graphics and would not advertise, promote or display alcohol, drugs, sex, or tobacco.

### **Graduation Day Dress for all Seniors**

- Knee, tea-length, or long white dress, with white dress sandals or white dress shoes. Sleeveless or strapless dresses require a matching jacket or wrap.
- Navy blue blazer with the school crest, white dress shirt, white pants, a brown belt, school tie, dark dress shoes, and dark socks.

### **Consequences:**

#### **Dress Code Violations**

Students who violate the dress code will be asked to change. If a student continues to struggle with the expectations of the dress code, the Dean's Office will communicate with parents.

Students who violate the dress code will not be eligible for John Forman Scholar or Citizenship privileges.