

DRESS CODE

Maclay Upper School does not have a required uniform dress; however, by his/her attendance at Maclay, a student and their parent/guardian agree to abide by the guidelines established by the school. The student in violation of the dress code will be subject to consequences defined below. Repeat violations may be subject to suspensions. The following specific guidelines must be observed.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

- ❖ No part of undergarments may be visible at any time. This includes, but is not limited to boxer shorts, briefs, bra straps and bralettes.
- ❖ No body piercing is allowed except for earrings.
- ❖ Hairstyle must not be extreme or distracting.
- ❖ A sense of modesty about one's appearance when sitting in a classroom is expected of all.
- ❖ Clothing must fit appropriately

ITEMS NOT PERMITTED

- ❖ All forms of head coverings inside of buildings, except for religious reasons approved by administration.
- ❖ Clothing with ragged edges or holes, manufactured commercially or not.
- ❖ Clothing with large sections cut out, manufactured commercially or not.
- ❖ Clothing that is sheer and/or tight as to reveal underwear or body parts.
- ❖ Clothing that is sexually suggestive or contains vulgar lettering, printing, or drawings.
- ❖ Depictions of or references to drugs, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages.
- ❖ Clothing with symbols that are universally considered offensive, political statements/images or questionable language, phrases, or symbols.

Fridays are Spirit Days at Maclay. Students will be encouraged to demonstrate school spirit by wearing a Maclay shirt, such as a team or club shirt.

RULES FOR SPECIFIC ARTICLES OF CLOTHING:

Pants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Pants must fit at the waist.❖ No pants that drag on the floor or ground.❖ No pajama pants, lounge/yoga pants, or pants with print across the back.❖ Maclay team warm-up pants/outfits must be approved by Upper School Director and Athletic Director prior to use, and may be worn on game days.❖ Leggings or tight pants may only be worn if the accompanying dress/skirt is a minimum of fingertip length. Fingertip is measured with shoulders down and hands flat.❖ No oversized t-shirts or tank tops with leggings are allowed.
Shorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be fingertip length minimum at all times. Fingertip is measured with shoulders down and hands flat.

- No bathing suits (including board shorts), PE shorts, or athletic shorts may be worn to class.
- No cutoffs are allowed.
- All boys' shorts must have a fly (zipper or buttons).

Skirts or Dresses	Must be a minimum of fingertip length, including any slits. Fingertip is measured with shoulders down and hands flat.
Shirts or Dresses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No visible cleavage. • Shirts and/or dresses must cover the back, chest, midriff, including while the wearer is sitting, standing, walking, or with arms raised. No t-backs or racer-back shirts and/or dresses. • Straps must be 3 finger-width minimum. • Bottom layer must be dress code appropriate.
Footwear	Footwear must be worn at all times and must be appropriate for the activity in which the student is involved.

EXTREMES IN APPEARANCE (HAIR, ATTIRE, OR STYLES) THAT, IN THE OPINION OF THE SCHOOL, ARE NOT APPROPRIATE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. APPEALS OF DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS MAY BE MADE TO THE UPPER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.

CONSEQUENCES FOR DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

1. A student in violation of the dress code will be sent to the Upper School Administration. The student will not be excused for any class time lost when found in violation of the dress code.
2. The first violation of the dress code will be recorded as a warning. No phone call to parents will be made.
3. Upon the second violation, the student will be assigned a lunch detention. For a third violation, a morning detention will be assigned. The Upper School Administration will call the parents of all students in violation by the end of the day, informing the parents that their child was inappropriately dressed and that a detention has been assigned.
4. The 4th dress code violation or failure to comply with detention assignments will result in the student's being sent to an administrator. The student will be given a disciplinary warning letter and this letter will dictate further disciplinary action for chronic dress code violations.