



## 2022-2023 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY

Maranatha's code for personal appearance is based on creating a culture in our Christian environment of neatness, modesty, atmosphere for learning, and appropriateness for school activities and events. The clothing items are selected and adopted for simplicity and for unification with the Secondary School. The dress code for the Elementary grades has been expanded from the Secondary School's dress code due to the nature of the Elementary School student daily activities.

CLOTHING ITEMS	WHAT TO WEAR	WHAT NOT TO WEAR
<b>TOPS</b>		
<p>Shirts and blouses with collars. May be worn tucked or untucked and must be long enough to cover the entire midsection whether seated or standing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any shirt with a collar. The shirts can be polo or button-down style. They can be any solid color or striped.</li> <li>Small name brand or manufacturer logos are acceptable if less than one inch.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-collared shirt or top.</li> <li>T-shirts over collared shirts.</li> <li>More than 2 buttons unbuttoned.</li> <li>Flannel shirts.</li> </ul>
<b>BOTTOMS</b>		
<p><b>GIRLS:</b> Pants, Jeans, Capris, Shorts, Skirts, Skorts.</p> <p><b>BOYS:</b> Pants, Slacks, Shorts, Jeans.</p> <p>All shorts and skirts cannot be less than 2" above the top of the knee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solid Colors - navy blue, black, khaki, gray, or tan.</li> <li>Jeans - blue, black, gray, or tan.</li> <li>Patterned or solid color leggings may be worn under skirts or dresses.</li> <li>Pants must be worn at or above hips with no visible undergarments or exposed midsection.</li> <li>Kindergarten may wear pants with elastic waist bands.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athletic clothing.</li> <li>Cargo Style shorts with outside sewn on pockets.</li> <li>Leggings as pants.</li> </ul>
<b>All clothing must be appropriately sized, loose fitting, and modest. Clothing must be in good repair, free of holes, patches, tears, and fraying.</b>		
<b>DRESSES (GIRLS)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full length, Mid-calf, or Knee length</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color, pattern, or with design</li> <li>Shoulder covering at least 2" wide</li> <li>Does not need to have a collar</li> </ul> <p><b>K-3:</b> Must wear shorts, tights or leggings underneath dresses, jumpers, or skirts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immodest neckline.</li> <li>Form fitting, body hugging.</li> <li>Open backed.</li> </ul>
<b>SWEATERS, SWEATSHIRTS, JACKETS- IN THE CLASSROOM</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vest</li> <li>Cardigan</li> <li>Pullover</li> <li>Zippered</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solid colors. Small name brand or manufacturer logos are acceptable if less than one inch.</li> <li>MCA logo'd apparel without hoods.</li> <li>All sweaters and sweatshirts must have a separate collar showing above neckline. (Monday-Thursday).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No hooded outerwear in the building except MCA hoodies on Friday.</li> <li>Oversized, inappropriately sized.</li> </ul>
<b>SHOES &amp; SOCKS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dress shoes</li> <li>Athletic shoes</li> <li>Open toed shoes with back straps</li> <li>Boots</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Footwear must be appropriate for outside play.</li> </ul> <p><i>*If necessary due to injury, obtain permission to wear alternative footwear</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heels no greater than 2" high including spiked heels.</li> <li>Flip flops, beach shoes, slippers, athletic slides, crocs.</li> <li>Plastic Dress-Up Shoes.</li> <li>Shoes with wheels.</li> </ul>
<b>ACCESSORIES</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hair Accessories</li> <li>Scarves</li> <li>Belts</li> <li>Jewelry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>GIRLS:</b> Hair accessories such as head bands, barrettes, bows. Fashion scarves around the neck and across shoulders. Piercings in ears only.</li> <li>Necklaces and bracelets, watches, wristbands, activity trackers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Head wear such as scarves, bandannas, hats, caps, sweatbands</li> <li>Excessive or distracting jewelry</li> <li>More than 2 earrings per ear</li> <li>Smart watches</li> <li><b>BOYS:</b> nail polish or earrings</li> </ul>

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<p><b>HAIR AND MAKE UP</b></p> <p><b>ALL:</b> Boys' and Girls' hair should be neatly groomed and combed. Bangs should not extend below the eyebrow.</p> <p><b>GIRLS:</b> Make-up must look natural.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Length is controlled to stay out of the eyes and to show the face</li> </ul> <p><b>BOYS:</b> Hair may not extend beyond the top of the shirt collar or below the ear lobe.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unusual and unnatural colors</li> <li>Designs, number, names, emblems, shaved into the scalp.</li> <li>Faux-hawk, mohawks, man-buns, extreme spikes.</li> <li>Make-up that causes a distraction to the learning environment.</li> </ul>
SPECIAL DRESS DAYS		
<p><b>FRIDAYS</b></p>	<p>Fridays are Spirit Days!! We want to celebrate school spirit. Students may wear MCA t-shirts, sweatshirts, or hoodies. If a student chooses not to participate, they may wear a collared shirt that would meet typical dress code standards.</p>	
<p><b>SPIRIT DAYS/ SPECIALIZED DRESS</b></p>	<p>Special dress days are announced by administration on special occasions. This is sometimes in conjunction with the spirit days put on by the Secondary STUCO. Possible examples: end of semester celebrations, holidays, sports playoffs or championships.</p>	
<p><b>FIELD TRIPS/ SERVICE TRIPS</b></p>	<p>Every student should own a green MCA logo'd polo shirt to wear on field trips. Clothing for trips outside of the school is chosen based on the activity.</p>	
<p><b>SELECT CHOIR</b></p>	<p>Select choir members wear a black polo shirt with a MCA logo and black pants for their performances.</p>	
<p><b>PERFORMANCES/ PROGRAMS/ BANQUETS/ SPECIAL EVENTS</b></p>	<p>Special occasion attire will be published before the event. Generally, the attire will, at a minimum, adhere to the descriptions listed within this document.</p> <p>In some cases, such as banquets and end of year awards programs, the dress will be more specific.</p>	
<p><b>SCHOOL EVENTS</b></p>	<p>For sporting events, family fun social events, and after school activities, students must dress in neat and modest attire.</p>	
<p><b>OUTERWEAR</b></p>	<p>Outerwear is not worn in the classroom unless given permission by the teacher. Students go outside in all weather types; we strongly encourage families to send appropriate outerwear with their students. Please label all outerwear with your child's name.</p>	
<p><b>SWIMWEAR</b></p>	<p>For events where water play or swimming is available, only one-piece looking swimsuits including tankinis will be acceptable for girls. Swimsuits may not have high cut legs or revealing necklines. Boys may not wear tight or high cut suits.</p>	
<p><b>EXTRA CLOTHING</b></p>	<p>Please have your child keep a complete extra set of appropriate clothing in their backpack.</p>	
CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS		
<p><b>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</b></p>	<p>Warning, possible parent contact</p>	
<p><b>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</b></p>	<p>Parent contact</p>	
<p><b>3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE</b></p>	<p>Parents will need to bring clothes up for the child to stay in class</p>	
<p><b>4<sup>TH</sup> OFFENSE</b></p>	<p>Family Meeting/ Stricter Dress Code</p>	