

Chapter 4: Dress Code Policies and Procedures

Uniform Guidelines

In order to maintain uniform appearance and proper comportment throughout the school day and at school events, all students, staff and faculty must follow the dress code expectation of their biological sex while on campus and while representing the school at outside functions. Modesty is expected at all times.

Young Women's Uniform	
Garment	Guidelines
Shirts	White or green polo with the Bishop McGuinness logo. Seniors are allowed to wear a black polo. If worn with shorts or slacks, shirt tails must be tucked in.
Skirts	Bishop McGuinness plaid, gray, or khaki pleated skirts. Skirts lengths must be well below fingertips when standing.
Shorts	Khaki or gray walking shorts with belt loops and a belt. Short length must be well below fingertips when standing, must fit properly above the waist, cannot fit too tightly, and may not have torn, split or frayed hems. Jean cut, cargo, painter, or shorts with outside stitched pockets are not allowed.
Slacks	Khaki or gray dress slacks with a flat or pleated front with belt loops and a belt. Slacks must fit properly and may not have torn, split or frayed hems. Fashion slacks, hip huggers, capri pants, jean cut, cargo, painter pants, pants with elastic cuffs, or pants with outside stitched pockets are not allowed.
Socks	Socks must be worn and cannot be a distraction (as determined by the administration).
Shoes	Closed-toe, closed-heel, rubber soled shoes must be worn at all times. Sandals, flip-flops, slippers, cowboy boots, Uggs, Crocs, or clogs are not allowed. Medical exceptions are only made by the Assistant Principal.
Leggings	Full or 3/4 length solid black or gray leggings under their skirts. Leggings are required from the beginning of the T2 grading period to the end of the T5 grading period or as directed by administration. No sweatpants, joggers, loose-fitting, or boot-cut/flared bottoms.
Outerwear	Must be official McGuinness-branded apparel and a McGuinness polo shirt must be worn under all outerwear.

Young Men's Uniform	
Garment	Guidelines
Shirts	White or green polo with the Bishop McGuinness logo. Seniors are allowed to wear a black polo. If worn with shorts or slacks, shirt tails must be tucked in.
Shorts	Khaki or gray walking shorts with belt loops and a belt. Short length must be well below fingertips when standing, must fit properly above the waist, cannot fit too tightly, and may not have torn, split or frayed hems. Jean cut, cargo, painter, or shorts with outside stitched pockets are not allowed.
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Other Uniform Guidelines

Headwear

No hats, caps, stocking caps, or bandannas may be worn inside the building during school hours.

Jewelry / Accessories

Jewelry should be worn in moderation and in good taste. Students will be asked to remove any accessories deemed to be a distraction by administration.

Hair

Students are to be properly groomed at all times. Hair, including facial hair, should be neat, clean and moderate in length. Any hair style or ornamentation that is deemed to be a distraction by the administration is prohibited.

Body Piercing

Nose septum piercings are not allowed. Any other body piercing that brings excessive attention to the student is not allowed.

Spirit Day Attire

Students may wear jeans and an approved BMCHS spirit shirt or sweatshirt. Students may also wear approved uniform bottoms (skirt, slacks, or shorts) with spirit top. No leggings, shorts (unless uniform shorts), or sweats. Severely distressed jeans are not permitted.

Free Dress Day Attire

Students may wear non-uniform and non-BMCHS apparel as long as it fits within the following guidelines:

- ◆ Skirt and short lengths must follow the regular uniform guidelines.
- ◆ No crop tops or muscle shirts.
- ◆ No sheer or see-thru shirts.
- ◆ No severely distressed jeans.
- ◆ All printed apparel must be school appropriate and devoid of offensive words and/or imagery.
- ◆ Clothing intended to make a statement at odds with the teaching of the Catholic Church is not permitted.

In Case of Questionable Attire/Grooming

At all times, the administration reserves the right to evaluate and correct an individual student's interpretation of the uniform policy as evidenced by the student's appearance. Any student considered inappropriately dressed or groomed may be sent home to change or denied admittance to class (as an unexcused absence) until the dress code infraction is corrected. Students may not drive themselves home to correct a dress code violation unless a signed permission form is on file. Repeated offenses will be subject to administrative detention and/or a parent conference.