



MALDEN CATHOLIC

Leading Beyond

2023-2024 DRESS CODE UPDATE

The following dress code policy will be included in the 2023-2024 Student-Parent Handbook. The Handbook will be available on the Malden Catholic website on August 31st. After consultation with members of our community including students, parents, faculty, and administration, the following dress code modifications will be implemented for this school year.

BOYS DIVISION DRESS CODE

- **PANTS:** Chino, “Docker-type” pants or dress corduroy only. Pants must be black, grey, navy or khaki-colored, free of designs or embroidery work. No jean styles, cargo or painter’s pants, no cut or altered pants. Pants with drawstring waist or banded/elastic cuffs are not allowed.
- **BELTS:** Leather belts in black or brown or the MC-monogrammed belt must be worn. No suspenders.
- **SHIRTS:** An MC-monogrammed solid color, long or short sleeve, button-down Oxford shirt or an MC-monogrammed polo shirt, purchased only from the MC’s online apparel store. Shirts must be buttoned up to (but not including) the top button and must be tucked neatly in one’s pants. All Students are required to own one Navy blue MC polo shirt.
- **MC LOGO APPAREL:** MC logo apparel only may be worn over a regulation MC shirt. No other fleece or apparel is authorized. Turtleneck shirts may be worn underneath a regulation MC shirt. Students may not wear “overshirts” or long-sleeved T-shirts under short sleeve shirts. Hooded sweatshirts are not allowed. Winter coats are not allowed.
- **FOOTWEAR:** Shoes or sneakers and socks are to be worn at all times. Students may not wear slippers, Yeezys, moccasins, Crocs, flip flops, slides or sandals. All shoes must be tied. Students may wear hiking boots during cold or inclement weather provided they are worn inside the pants and laced up.

Boys Personal Appearance

Boys must be always clean-shaven. Hair is to be neatly trimmed and not to exceed the top of the collar in the back and the eyebrows in the front. There are to be no designs shaved into the head. Hair style, color, or cuts that present an unkempt, unprofessional appearance, or that reflect poorly on the school will not be tolerated. Students will be given a day to make the

correction or face disciplinary action including suspension. Sideburns must be no longer than the bottom of the ear. No extreme hair styles or hair colors. Jewelry of any kind around the neck or wrist is limited to small chains.

- Earrings and body piercing are not allowed (covered or uncovered).
- Hats, visors, or any head coverings are not to be worn in the building at any time during or after school hours, or at any school function.
- Tattoos and body scarring are highly discouraged. Any Student with a previously existing tattoo must cover it at all times during the school day, and at all school-sanctioned activities.

GIRLS DIVISION DRESS CODE

- **Pants** - Grey, navy, black, or khaki-colored pants may be worn. Pants must be free of designs or embroidery work. No jean styles, cargo, yoga, or painter's pants; no cut or altered pants. Pants are required to have a button on the waist band and a zipper. Pants with drawstring waist or banded/elastic cuffs are not allowed.
- **Plaid Kilt**- The Plaid Kilt may be worn in place of approved pants. Plaid Kilts must be purchased only from the official MC uniform store. **Plaid kilts must be worn appropriately and with solid black or navy tights.**
- **Shirts** - An MC-monogrammed polo shirt, purchased only from the MC uniform store may be worn. A white button-down oxford/dress shirt may also be worn under an MC monogrammed sweater. All Students are required to own one navy blue MC polo shirt.
- **MC Logo Apparel** - MC logo apparel only may be worn over a regulation MC shirt. No other fleece or apparel is authorized. Turtleneck shirts may be worn underneath a regulation MC shirt. Students may not wear "overshirts" or long-sleeved T-shirts under short sleeve shirts. Hooded sweatshirts are not allowed. Winter coats are not allowed.
- **Footwear** - Boat shoes, flats or sneakers and socks are to be worn at all times. Students may not wear heels, Yeezys, slippers, moccasins, sandals, Crocs, flip flops, slides or open toe shoes. All shoes with laces must be tied. Students may wear low cut boots during cold or inclement weather provided they are neat.

Girls Personal Appearance

Hair must be neatly groomed and of natural color. Final judgment about what constitutes "natural color" lies with the Administration. Students will be given a day to make the correction or face disciplinary action including suspension. No extreme hair styles or hair colors.

- Visible body piercing other than pierced ears, including but not limited to, tongue and nose piercing, is not allowed.

- Hats, visors, or any head coverings are not to be worn in the building at any time during or after school hours, or at any school function.
- Tattoos and body scarring are highly discouraged. Any Student with a previously existing tattoo must always cover it during the school day, and at all school-sanctioned activities.