

STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICIES

It is expected that students will be appropriately dressed and well-groomed at all times during the school day to present the best version of themselves and the school. A general expectation is that clothing should fit in “Goldilocks” ways – not too short, too long, too loose, or too tight. Final determination of the appropriateness of any student’s dress will be made by the administration. Students who fail to comply with the dress code will receive the appropriate demerits for each violation according to our Progressive Discipline System.

WOMEN

SKORT: Specified Educational Outfitters styles available in khaki, navy or grey (when available) worn no higher than 2 inches above the knee. Rolling the waistband is not permitted. Skorts must be buttoned and zipped at all times.

PANTS: Dress pants in khaki, navy, or grey. No denim-style, corduroy, cargo-style, or capris. No pockets on the outside of the pants. Pants are to be worn at the waist. Belts are recommended. Style and fit should be suitable for employment in a conservative office -- neither too tight nor too loose.

*Shorts and plaid uniform skirt are no longer permitted.

LEGGINGS: Navy, black, or grey leggings mid-calf or longer are permitted. Flesh-tone, black, navy, or grey hose and tights are permitted. Sweat pants under the skort are prohibited.

SHIRT/TOP: Uniform polo shirt in white, grey, or hunter green (with Archbishop McNicholas logo), short or long sleeved. Students will be asked to tuck in any untucked shirt deemed sloppy in appearance. Shirts worn under the uniform polo must be plain green, white, grey, gold, black or navy without letters or images and should be tucked in at all times.

MEN

SHORTS: Khaki, navy or grey (when available) shorts no higher than 2 inches above the knee

PANTS: Dress pants in khaki, navy, or grey. No denim-style, corduroy, or cargo-style. No pockets on the outside of the pants. Pants are to be worn at the waist. Belts are recommended. Style and fit should be suitable for employment in a conservative office -- neither too tight nor too loose.

SHIRT/TOP: Uniform polo shirt in white, grey, or hunter green (with Archbishop McNicholas logo), short or long sleeved. Students will be asked to tuck in any untucked shirt deemed sloppy in appearance. Shirts worn under your uniform polo must be green, white, grey, gold, black or navy without letters or images and should be tucked in at all times.

ALL STUDENTS

SWEATSHIRT: Students may continue to wear any McNicholas spirit wear sweatshirts for 2019-2020. A uniform polo shirt must be worn under a sweatshirt. Sweat pants are not permitted. Fleece pullovers with quarter zipper or hoodies with the school logo purchased through the Rocket Shop and/or through McNicholas athletics, clubs or programs are permitted.

*** Please note: Hoodies (even if issued by clubs, teams, or Rocket Shop) will not be permitted starting in the 2020-2021 school year except on Spirit Days.**

SOCKS: Socks must be worn above the ankle. Socks must match the uniform.

SHOES: Dress shoes or gym shoes may be worn. Shoes must have a back. High heels may not be worn.

COATS/HATS: Outside jackets/coats/vests are not to be worn inside the building during school hours. Hats, bandanas, hoods, or any other headwear are not permitted.

PERSONAL GROOMING: All students must be neat and clean in appearance. Eccentric hair styles/ colors, visible tattoos and body-piercing are not permitted. Women may wear modest earrings. Men are to be clean shaven every day and are not permitted to wear earrings during school hours. The administration reserves the right to decide if any hair style, hair color, jewelry, accessories, or other appearance is inappropriate for the school atmosphere.

SPIRIT DAYS: Most Fridays (or the last day of the week) are Spirit Days. Students are permitted to wear an Archbishop McNicholas Spirit Top with the normal school bottom. A Spirit Top is a shirt that is purchased in the Rocket Shop or approved by a McNicholas team or club. If a student chooses not to wear a Spirit Top, then the uniform polo shirt must be worn. Students will be asked to tuck in any untucked shirt deemed sloppy in appearance. Those choosing not to participate should wear the regular school uniform.

JEANS/SWEATS DAYS: Periodically we will have Jeans/Sweats Days for various reasons on designated days. Jeans/Sweats with a McNick Spirit Top will be permitted. Jeans/Sweatpants must be in good condition (i.e. no holes). Sweatpants purchased in the Rocket Shop or approved by a McNicholas team or club are preferred; however, solid green, white, grey, gold, black and navy are permitted. Leggings and shorts (including athletic shorts) other than the school uniform shorts will NOT be permitted. Those choosing not to participate should wear the normal school uniform.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS: Periodically, students will be permitted to be out of uniform on designated days. On those days, students can wear the theme of that particular day (i.e. Homecoming Week) with the school uniform bottom. Shorts other than the school uniform will NOT be permitted. Those choosing not to participate should wear the normal school uniform.