



Uniform + Dress Code Policy

Students at Menlo Park Academy follow a uniform policy that promotes a professional and positive learning environment while providing students with ways to show their individual personality while remaining professionally dressed. Older students are also afforded additional attire options as they begin to experience more freedoms as well as responsibilities.



Core Standards for All Grades

Core Colors = Brown, Tan, Khaki, Navy or Dark Blue, Gray, and Black (Solid Colors)

The following items are acceptable for students to wear on regular School Days:

- Solid color shirts and blouses with a collar.
- Core color dress-style pants not excessively tight or excessively loose.
- Core color shorts or capri dress-style pants.
- Core color skirts, jumpers, or polo-type dresses.
- Any solid color or pattern socks, tights, or leggings. Tights and leggings may only be worn under skirts, dresses, or jumpers on regular school days.
- Shoes that are close-toed and close-backed are to be worn at all times. Snow boots may be worn to school, but must be removed during school hours.
- Solid color or MPA sweaters, sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, or vests.
- Solid color turtlenecks may be worn under shirts, sweaters, or jumpers.
- Small, unobtrusive logos are permitted on collared shirts and blouses provided they don't violate Item #1 under "may not wear" items below.



Additional Items Allowed on Physical Education Days:

- MPA or solid color t-shirt.
- Black, navy blue, or gray shorts, sweatpants, athletic pants, yoga pants or leggings.



Additional Items Allowed on Dress-Down Days:

- Any color pants or jeans without holes or rips.
- Attire with logos, insignia and wording, patterns and prints, provided they don't violate the "may NOT wear" items below

Additional Items Allowed for Students in 6th Grade and Above:

- Sweaters, sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts or shirts with names of high schools or colleges.
- Sweaters or sweatshirts with names of places that student visited on School field trips.

Students may NOT wear the following at any time:

- Clothes with written or unwritten messages that demean other people, condone improper or disrespectful behavior, or that contain references to illegal or unethical activity.
- No undergarments shall be visible. See-through, sheer, see-through lace, fishnet fabrics (clothing with large holes), halter tops, tank tops, off the shoulder tops, low cut tops, bare midriffs, short skirts and shorts, and swimwear are prohibited.
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses shorter than 3" above the knee.
- Excessive size sweatshirts or sweaters may not be worn to cover up leggings in place of a skirt, dress, or jumper.
- Clothing with holes.
- Hats, caps, and hoods are not to be worn during school hours.
- Open-toed shoes, flip-flops or beach sandals.
- Clothing that does not fit, including excessively tight or excessively loose items.



*Final decision as to acceptability of student attire rests with the School administration.
See also Policy 271 Student Code of Conduct.*