

Packing Checklist for Boarding Students 2022-2023

This year, we ask that students limit the number of belongings they bring to campus. The School will require much flexibility and, in the event that a student needs to depart campus or housing needs shift, there will be significant advantages to having fewer belongings on campus. We encourage visits to the MHS school store for essential items including:

- Laundry bags, dryer sheets, detergent (also provided in laundry room)
- Deodorant, body wash, soap, shower pouf scrubbies, lotions
- Shampoo, conditioner (also provided in dorm showers) and a variety of hair products
- A variety of menstrual hygiene products
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, floss
- Nail clippers, files, polish
- Q-tips, makeup remover, kleenex, lip balm
- Beverages
- Snacks (non-perishable)
- Fans
- Small lamps

Online shopping items for other needed items after arrival to campus can be shipped to MHS at: Name of Student
492 Holmes Road
Pittsfield, MA 01201

What does MHS provide for my dorm room?

- ☐ Bedroom furniture (bed and dresser)
- ☐ Regular twin mattress and mattress pad
- ☐ Desk and chair
- ☐ Trash Basket
- ☐ Closet or Wardrobe

Beyond a computer table or special chair, students are not permitted to supplement or replace School furniture with their own.

What will I need to bring OR purchase after arriving at MHS?

- ☐ Sheets (extra-long or deep-pocket sheets)
- ☐ Pillow and pillowcase
- ☐ Towels, shower sandals, bathroom basket/bucket (for toiletries)
- ☐ Comforter or blanket
- ☐ Alarm clock
- ☐ Desk lamp (overhead lights are provided in each room)
- ☐ Face Masks-we recommend 7-14 masks per student
- ☐ Hand sanitizer for personal use (this will also be provided in several locations on campus)

What is encouraged to bring for my dorm room?

- ☐ A music player and headphones

- ☐ Wall hangings, posters, photos of family and friends
- ☐ Rooms are not air-conditioned, so students are encouraged to bring a small fan

What am I NOT permitted to bring to MHS?

- ☐ Pets (except for fish)
- ☐ Candles and incense
- ☐ All appliances and special electrical gadgets, including but not limited to coffee makers, hot pots, crockpots, instapots, rice cookers, refrigerators, string lights (unless battery operated and LED), space heaters and halogen lamps
- ☐ As listed in the Student-Family Handbook, students are not allowed to have prescription or nonprescription medication in their possession, including vitamins or herbal supplements
- ☐ Other prohibited items include alcohol, cigarettes, snuff, chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes, juuls, vaporizers, and other nicotine or marijuana delivery systems, stick and poke tattooing paraphernalia, piercing paraphernalia, and any items that could be considered a weapon

What clothing will I need?

- ☐ Skirts, dresses, pants, and dress shorts for class
- ☐ Casual clothes such as blue jeans, shorts, and sweatpants
- ☐ A few dressy outfits for special events
- ☐ Athletic wear for sports and fitness activities
- ☐ Boots, an umbrella, a raincoat, and a heavy winter coat for the variable New England weather