



Moses Lake Christian Academy Secondary Dress Code

Students are encouraged to dress in a manner that is respectful, honors God and fosters a readiness to learn. The dress code provides a range of what is acceptable or unacceptable in our school setting, yet is flexible enough to allow students to be responsible for their own personal choices in attire.

Even though the enforcement of the dress code is everyone's responsibility, the Administration maintains the authority to make judgements regarding the implementation of the policy.

Guiding Principles: Clean, neat, modest, safe with no holes and no frays.

Item	Expectation
Hair	Clean, neat, combed with both eyes visible.
Logos	Clothing containing images or writing that is inappropriate, offensive or contradicts our Statement of Faith must be avoided. Clothing, jewelry and other wearables shall be free of writing, pictures, and/or any insignia that: (1) are crude, vulgar, violent, profane, prejudicial, racial, associated with any hate group, or sexually suggestive; (2) advocate or reference the use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or weapons.
Shirts, Tops	Tops need to be of an appropriate length so that when arms are raised above the head, the body does not expose any skin. The neckline needs to be high enough to cover any exposure of cleavage. <i>Acceptable:</i> T-shirts, long or short sleeve shirts, sweat shirts, shirts with cap sleeve (minimum of 3" across the shoulder and fitted around the arm). <i>Unacceptable:</i> Half shirts, tank tops, pajama top, tight fitting, low cut, backless or sheer back, spaghetti straps, off the shoulder, sheer or see-through top and camisoles worn alone. A camisole may be worn underneath an acceptable shirt/sweater/covering. A student who wears a camisole must keep the outer shirt/sweater or covering on throughout the school day.
Skirts, Dresses	Hemlines, when the student is standing or seated, must be no more than 1 1/2 inches from the top of the kneecap.
Pants	No holes, no frays, appropriate fit (not too tight or baggy). No underclothing revealed. No athletic wear. No pajama-type clothing. <i>Acceptable:</i> Leggings or tights may be worn under a skirt/dress/sweater that meets the 1 1/2" requirement. <i>Unacceptable:</i> Sweat pants; tight leggings, jeggings or stretch pants.
Shorts	Must be no more than 1 1/2 inches from the top of the kneecap. <i>Acceptable:</i> Cargo or Bermuda type shorts. <i>Unacceptable:</i> Athletic shorts (except in P.E.).
Shoes	Footwear is required at all times. <i>Acceptable:</i> Flip-flops. <i>Unacceptable:</i> Slippers.



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Head Coverings (hats, hoods, bandanas, scarves)	Not to be worn inside the school buildings, including before and after school.
Physical Education	Comfortable t-shirt or sport shirt without holes, frays, tears or cuts. Under garments should not be seen during activity. Athletic shorts of appropriate length. <i>Acceptable:</i> Basketball or Soccer type short, sweat pants. <i>Unacceptable:</i> Running shorts (short length and sheer material). Tights, spandex or compression shorts may be worn underneath an acceptable pair of athletic shorts.

MLCA Chapel Wear

MLCA Chapel Wear	Students are required to wear, as the outer layer of clothing, an MLCA approved collared shirt with a chest pocket logo and any navy or tan colored bottoms (pants, slacks, skirts, shorts, nice jeans) that meet the general dress code requirements. Students in grades 7-12 are also permitted to wear the Back To School Retreat shirt that was given during the current school year. Order forms and instructions will be provided at the beginning of each school year. MLCA Chapel Wear apparel partners are Shirt Builders, BSN Sports and Land's End.
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MLCA Athletic Game Days

MLCA Sports Team Attire	Student athletes will be required to wear dress clothing for all games during school hours and while traveling to and from the game. Examples include a button down shirt, slacks, dress, skirt, etc. (no jeans) within the MLCA dress code and as outlined by the Athletic Director and Coach.
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MLCA Dance Dress Code

Girls Formal Dress	Dresses/skirts no shorter than 3" above the knee, No midriffs (exposed stomach or mid to low backs), modest sheer midriff covering is ok. No immodestly low-cut front or back (not lower than bra strap). Modestly cut strapless dress is acceptable, no visible undergarments, Dress shoes. Pre-approval is required by submission of pictures, front and back, of the student in the formal wear. If the attire on the evening of the dance does not match the picture, the student will be sent home to change.
Boys Formal Dress	Suit, tux, or sports coat, suit pants or slacks required, dress shirt and tie required, no hats, other than top hats, closed-toed shoes