Students are expected to dress neatly and appropriately for school. Dress that may be acceptable outside of school may not be appropriate for school and school functions. Students have growth spurts throughout middle school, and clothing will need on-going evaluation.

The following are some general guidelines:

- **Skirts/dresses**: May not be shorter than 3” above the knee. Girls’ tights may only be worn with dresses that meet this requirement.
- **Shorts/skorts**: Must come to mid thigh at their shortest length. Skirts with shorts attached are considered skorts. Girls’ tights may only be worn with shorts/skorts that meet this requirement.
- **Leggings**: Must not be sheer and may only be worn with t-shirts/shirts/dresses that come to the thigh or longer all the way around.
- **Shirts/blouses**: Must be below the waistline even with arms raised above the head or when the student is seated and should not be too revealing. Halter tops, tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, tube tops, sheer tops, and any other top that allows the back or midriff to show are prohibited. Sleeveless tops should be no less than 2 inches in width on the shoulders. No sheer blouses that show undergarments are allowed.
- **Mens'/boys' shirts**: Must have sleeves.
- **Pants**: Mens'/boys’ pants must be worn at the natural waist. Oversized pants should be worn with a belt so that they may fit at the waist.

In addition to the general guidelines, the following items are prohibited:

- Headgear in the building. NO headgear may be worn in the building or gym. This includes, but is not limited to, caps, hoods, hats, bandanas, “do” rags, etc. Hats may be worn outside before and after school.
- Dark glasses in the building
- Any type of clothing which displays logos or words (expressed or implied) that refer to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, vulgarity, profanity, violence, or ethnic slurs may not be worn.
- Pants/jeans/shorts that are ripped, torn, or laced up (above the knee).
- Pajama tops and/or pants and/or bedroom slippers or clothing resembling sleep wear.
- Any other items the school administration deems inappropriate.

Consequences:

Students who violate the MBMS dress code will be sent to an administrator. Students will change into the appropriate clothing before returning to class. School-issued alternative clothing should be laundered and returned to school the next school day.

- 1st Offense: Change clothes, contact parent, warning
- 2nd Offense: Change clothes, contact parent, student placed on step
- 3rd Offense: Change clothes, contact parent, after-school detention

Per the OCS Student Code of Conduct: The school administration is responsible for the enforcement of the school dress code, and has, at their discretion, the right to assign the appropriate disposition for those students who violate the school dress code.