



2018-2019 Dress Code

Martin Luther High School is a place for instruction and learning. We dress for the occasion; in this case, school. Students should be neat, orderly, and attractive in their dress. Dress and personal grooming are to be in good taste and should reflect Christian modesty. Dress code is in effect during any school activities when students represent Martin Luther to the community (such as field trips, co-curricular teams or groups.)

Any styles, fads, apparel or accessories that may be considered offensive or immodest for school dress will be considered inappropriate. We reserve the right to determine the appropriateness of any clothing. Before wearing any clothing that may be questionable, please confer with the Principal. Students violating the dress code will be suspended from classes until they meet these expectations. Students who have multiple violations will be suspended from school.

- A. All clothing must be neat, clean and in good repair. It will not be appropriate to wear **ripped, torn, frayed or sloppy clothing for school dress**. Zippers and creases that are sewn in are acceptable in jeans.
- B. Jackets and other outer apparel are not to be worn in the classroom during the school day. Blankets are not to be worn/used in school.
- C. Male students must wear belts, which prevent undergarments from being visible.
- D. Monogramming, manufacturer logos, team names and Martin Luther High School will be permissible. Any clothing pictures or lettering advertising tobacco, alcohol, drugs, musicians or musical groups, or displaying vulgarity or suggestive writing or pictures may not be worn or worn under other clothing. Clothing may not be worn inside out.
- E. Accessories not to be worn in the building are as follows: caps, hoods, sunglasses, headphones, earbuds, chains, tattoos (which are offensive to our moral code), body piercing, and earrings for boys. Boys who desire a pierced ear should have this done early in the summer as bandages intending to conceal or any posts will not be acceptable for school.
- F. All clothing should be appealing rather than revealing. Skin tight clothing is not allowed. Shirts must have at least a 3" shoulder (meaning some sleeveless shirts would be permissible.) The 3" rule should give a reference point for arm cut outs as arm cut outs *are* acceptable if 3" shoulder coverage is maintained. Cutouts in shirts and dresses at the neckline or at the shoulder blades are acceptable if no undergarments are showing. No straps or hypothetical straps showing, but high back ones or collar ones are permissible. Any tops exposing the midriff, any underclothing or inappropriate clothing that is visible are not to be worn. Pants need to be high enough on the waist so as not to expose any under garments. Skirt length should be no shorter than fingertip length.
- G. Clothing that reflects a style too casual for the classroom is not acceptable, such as: athletic jerseys, sweat/athletic pants, athletic slide sandals, nylon pants - yoga pants and leggings are considered athletic wear and can be worn during gym class. During the school day they are considered undergarments and must be accompanied by an appropriate length skirt/dress.

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- H. Hair styles, for both boys and girls, should reflect a clean and neat appearance. AVOID EXTREMES IN STYLE AND COLOR. Hair should not fall over the eye(s) as this tends to affect the direct eye contact needed with teachers. Boys hair should not extend below the collar of a dress shirt. Students are permitted to have well groomed facial hair.
- I. Wisconsin State law requires shoes or sandals to be worn at all times in school.
- J. Students are allowed to wear shorts to school during the months of August, September, October, April, May and June. Only shorts similar in style to pants or jeans are acceptable. Athletic shorts (PE, soccer, sweat shorts, lycra, spandex, nylon, etc.) may not be worn. Short length must be a minimum of a 3" inseam.