Uniform Dress Code

The uniform dress code is strictly enforced. Parents who do not feel comfortable with the standards set forth by MACA should not enroll their children.

General Information

- All MACA students are required to wear the approved uniform, as adapted by the administration and school board, **to all school functions**. Any exceptions must be pre-approved by the administration.
- A variety of clothing items are made available for a mix and match selection. Information for specified suppliers will be made available. The cost of any uniform item is not included in the tuition and/or fees of MACA and is the responsibility of the parent. Information regarding uniform styles, cost, and purchasing is available through the school office. The school will not reimburse for uniforms nor purchase used uniforms. Questions regarding refunds for uniforms should be directed to the supplier. The dress code applies regardless of conflicting advertisements of suppliers.
- Shoes and socks/stockings must be worn. Dress boots are allowed in black, brown, or dark blue (for girls) from Labor Day to Easter. Athletic shoes (nonmarking soles without lights or pictures) are permitted on **non-chapel** days. Leather loafers, leather lace-up shoes, or dress flats in navy, black, or brown (for girls) are required for chapel.
- Makeup is not allowed in kindergarten and elementary grades. Light makeup is permitted in middle and high school grades. Heavy makeup and glitter are not permissible. Bleaching or tinting hair is discouraged in elementary grades. No unnatural colors are permissible in any grade.
- All students should dress modestly. Clothing should be neat and clean in appearance. Neither tight nor excessively baggy clothing is allowed. Personal hygiene should be maintained at all times.
- The waist and midriff must be covered at all times regardless of movement. Uniform sweatshirts are permissible when worn over an approved uniform collared shirt or turtleneck. All shirts, with the exception of tailored hems for ladies, sweatshirts, sweaters and vests, must be tucked in.
- Belts are required with all clothing that comes with belt loops. Belt buckles should not be unduly large or ornate.
- No clothing or promotional items (stickers, buttons, etc.) relating to rock music or performers is permitted. Neither may clothing or items be worn depicting inappropriate or controversial role models. Any items of counter-cultural nature are not allowed at MACA.
- Boys may not wear earrings for necklaces to school or school-related activities, or any other jewelry with the exception of a watch. High school boys may wear a ring on their ring finger only.
- Students may not wear chains on belt loops or billfolds.
- Students may not wear excessive jewelry. Any form of body piercing other than ear lobes is not permitted.
- Students are not allowed to wear hats of any kind inside the building except on specially designated days or unless permission has been given.

- Parents who are asked by MACA to accompany children on field trips or to chaperone school activities should dress modestly and respect the appearance code of the school.
- Students representing MACA in chapels, assemblies, programs, conventions, etc. should dress as nicely as possible, wearing Class A uniform unless instructed otherwise by the administration.
- Students should wear the Class A uniform on field trips where the activity is of a formal nature. Where scheduled outings make the Class A uniform inappropriate, students will wear a blue uniform polo shirt with khaki pants. Administration may dictate alternate apparel for field trips.
- Uniforms must be ordered in time to be received before school opens in August. For students who enroll immediately prior to or after the start of the school year, uniforms must be ordered promptly. A maximum of two weeks following the date of enrollment is allowed in order to fully comply with the dress code. In the meantime, the student's clothing should approximate the uniform as closely as possible. No jeans, overalls, denim pants of any material, t-shirts, football jerseys or spandex items are allowed. (Exceptions may be made for athletes on game days or other occasions with permission of the administration.)
- Students' shirts must have collars. All other areas of the dress code must be followed.
- The following is the guideline (in compliance with GCAA standards) for hair:

Boys' Hair Code: Hair may not touch the top of the ears, collar, or eyebrows and must have a reasonable degree of taper and thinning completely around. No haircuts that are extreme, shaggy, bushy, or with shaved sections are permitted. The coloring of hair is also not permitted. No beards or mustaches are allowed for students. Sideburns must be no longer than the bottom of the ear. Illustrations of the hair code are included at the end of the handbook.

Girls' Hair Code: Hair should be neatly combed. No bizarre haircuts or styles are permitted.

- Solid navy, black, gray, white or hunter green sweaters/cardigans with or without MACA logo may be worn. (Logo is required for Class A uniform.) Other sweaters with any other logos are not appropriate and should not be worn during school hours.
- Solid navy, black, gray, white or dark green jackets with or without MACA logo may be worn. Other jackets are not appropriate and should not be worn during school hours (but may be worn to and from school).
- Tattoos are not permitted.
- Black lipstick and nail polish are considered counter-cultural and are therefore not permitted.
- Students will arrive and leave school in uniform unless there are special circumstances that will require a note from a parent and approval from the administration.
- Students may choose the round logo in heat pressed, embroidered or screen print applications on polo shirts, sweatshirts, or t-shirts (for gym or athletic events). Vests or cardigans (if logo is used) must be embroidered.

- Students must wear the PE uniform for PE class and any MACA-related sports practice unless otherwise directed by teachers or coaches.
- Students may not wear long sleeve shirts under a short sleeve shirt or polo.
- All students are required to wear the new school logo.
- Solid color coats are required.

Girls K4-6th

Monday - Friday (except chapel days when Class A attire is required)

School Colors include the following only:

Black, Hunter Green, Gray, White, Navy Blue, Light Blue, Yellow

- Khaki, evergreen, or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares or cargo pants are permitted)
- A-line jumper style #156 in khaki or navy (with logo)
- Khaki, evergreen, or navy skirt or skort (knee length)
- Pleated jumper style #194 in plaid #80 without logo or navy (with logo)
- Pleated skirt (plaid #80)
- Khaki, evergreen, or navy classic style shorts (knee length)
- Polo shirt with logo (short or long sleeve) in MACA school colors (may be women's tailored cut)
- Long sleeve turtleneck with or without logo in MACA school colors
- Peter Pan collared shirt or regular collar, tailored shirts with cap sleeves may be worn un-tucked
- Navy vest with logo
- Cardigan with or without logo in MACA school colors
- Logo sweatshirt in MACA school colors
- Belts required in pants or skirts with belt loops
- Belts should be of classic style brown or black leather or fabric in navy or khaki.
- Belts should be no wider than 1 ½ inches
- Socks crew, knee length, or no-show in solid uniform colors
- Leggings solid uniform colors and worn under skirts or dresses only
- Shoes tennis shoes or dress shoes in navy, black or brown, sandals (shoes must have a back on them) may be worn from August to Labor Day and from Easter to the end of the year, and dress boots(black, brown, gray, or navy blue) may be worn in the winter from Labor Day to Easter(no fur tops or cowboy boots)
- Ribbons may be worn in the hair
- <u>Class A Uniform</u> (This uniform will be worn on chapel days, some field trips and other special occasions.)
 - Plaid Jumper style #194, plaid #80 without logo
 - White Peter Pan or regular collared shirt
 - White long sleeve turtleneck with or without logo
 - Navy or white tights or socks
 - Dress shoes in navy, black or brown

- Navy shorts may be worn under jumpers for modesty
- Knee length pleated skirt in plaid #80 must be worn with monogrammed vest
- Navy vest or cardigan with logo

Girls 7th–12th

Monday - Friday (except chapel days when Class A attire is required)

- Khaki, evergreen, or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares, hip huggers or cargo pants are permitted)
- Khaki, MACA plaid, evergreen, or navy skirt (may be pleated) bottom of the knee or longer (NO hip hugger or cargo style skirts, no slits above knee)
- Khaki, evergreen, or navy classic style capris
- Polo shirt with logo (short or long sleeve) in MACA colors (may be women's tailored cut)

Long sleeve turtleneck with or without logo in MACA colors

- Oxford button-down collar or peter-pan collar shirt, tailored shirts with cap sleeves in MACA colors may be worn un-tucked
- White undergarments
- Navy vest with logo peter-pan collar
- Cardigan with or without logo in MACA colors
- Navy blazer
- Logo sweatshirt in MACA colors
- Belts required in pants or skirts with belt loops
- Belts should be of classic style brown or black leather or fabric in navy or khaki
- Belts should be no wider than 1½ inches
- Socks crew, knee length, or no-show in solid uniform colors
- Leggings in MACA colors may be worn under skirts or dresses only
- Shoes tennis shoes or dress shoes in navy, black or brown (shoes must have a back on them), sandals (shoes must have strap on the back and not be casual) may be worn from August to Labor Day and Easter to end of the year, and dress boots(black, brown, gray, or navy blue) may be worn in the winter from Labor Day to Easter (no fur tops or cowboy boots).
- Ribbons may be worn in hair

PE Uniforms (Required for High School)

• Must be purchased from the school

<u>**Class A Uniform**</u> (This uniform will be worn on chapel days, some field trips and other special occasions.)

• Khaki skirt bottom of the knee or longer (no cargo style skirts or slits above knee)

- Long sleeve turtleneck with or without logo in MACA colors only
- Oxford button-down collar or peter pan style collar shirt in MACA colors only
- Navy vest or cardigan with logo
- Stockings in MACA colors only
- Sheer stockings/knee socks in MACA colors only
- Dress shoes or boots in navy, black, gray, or brown
- Ribbons may be worn in hair

Boys K4-6th

Monday - Friday (except chapel days when Class A attire is required)

- Khaki or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares, skinny, parachute, or cargo pants are permitted)
- Khaki or navy classic style shorts no more than 2" above knee
- Polo shirt with logo (short or long sleeve) in MACA colors only
- Long sleeve turtleneck or rugby style with or without logo in MACA colors only

Oxford button-down collar shirt or rugby style in MACA colors

- Navy vest with logo
- Cardigan with or without logo in MACA colors only
- Logo sweatshirt in MACA colors only
- Belts required in pants with belt loops
- Belts should be of classic style brown or black leather style or fabric in khaki or navy
- Belts should be no wider than 1½ inches
- Socks crew, knee length, or no-show in solid uniform colors
- Shoes tennis shoes or dress shoes in navy, black or brown (shoes must have a back on them)
- White undershirts only

<u>**Class A Uniform**</u> (This uniform will be worn on chapel days, some field trips and other special occasions.)

- Khaki or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares, skinny, parachute, or cargo pants are permitted)
- Belt required in pants with belt loops
- Oxford button-down collar shirt in MACA colors only
- Tie in MACA colors only (bow or regular)
- Navy vest or cardigan with logo
- White undershirt only
- Socks in MACA colors only
- Dress shoes in black or brown

Monday - Friday (except chapel days when Class A attire is required)

- Khaki or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares, skinny, parachute, or cargo pants are permitted)
- Khaki or navy classic style shorts no more than 2" above knee
- Polo shirt with logo (short or long sleeve) in MACA colors only
- Long sleeve turtleneck or rugby style with or without logo in MACA colors only
- Oxford button-down collar shirt in MACA colors only
- Navy vest with logo
- Cardigan with or without logo in MACA colors only
- Logo sweatshirt in MACA colors
- Belts required in pants with belt loops
- Belts should be of classic style brown or black leather style or fabric in navy or khaki
- Belts should be no wider than 1½ inches
- Socks crew, knee length or no-show in solid uniform colors
- Shoes tennis shoes or dress shoes in navy, black or brown (shoes must have a back on them)
- White undershirts only

<u>**PE Uniforms**</u> (Required for Middle and High School)

• Must be purchased from the school

<u>**Class A Uniform**</u> (This uniform will be worn on chapel days, some field trips and other special occasions.)

- Khaki or navy uniform slacks (no denim) straight leg, classic style (NO flares, skinny, parachute, or cargo pants are permitted)
- Oxford button-down collar shirt in MACA colors only
- Navy vest or cardigan with logo
- Tie (regular or bow) in MACA colors only
- Belts required in pants with belt loops
- Socks in MACA colors only
- Dress Shoes
- White undershirts only

MACA Uniform Suppliers

Uniform Source 2141 North Cobb Parkway, Kennesaw (770) 919-9967 www.uniform-source.com

Lands' End 1-800-469-2222 www.landsend.com/school Preferred School Number: 900105602

Dress Code Enforcement

The teacher is held responsible for the enforcement of the school dress code for students in the classroom. The proper dress should be worn on arrival and departure from school.

