



## **MHSSC DRESS CODE** *(for implementation from 2024)*

### **Rationale**

Our College Dress Code is a reflection of the high standards we embrace at MHSSC. Students are expected to make a personal commitment to present themselves well which reflects not only personal pride, but also a positive identity of MHSSC in the community.

The MHSSC Dress Code has been developed through consultation with, and is endorsed by, the school's Parents and Citizens' Association.

The College Dress Code provides clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school
- fostering a sense of belonging
- developing mutual respect among students.

### **The College Uniform**

MHSSC has two distinct uniforms - the Day Uniform and the Sport Uniform.

- The Day Uniform is to be worn to and from school by all students on a Monday
- On all other days, students may choose to wear either the Day Uniform or the Sports Uniform. Please note that the chosen uniform must be worn in its entirety.

College uniforms are not to be altered in any fashion, including but not limited to:

- Cutting and shortening of hemlines
- Rolling up of sleeves and shorts
- Rolling down of skirt tops
- Re-embroidering, replicating or reproducing the college logo/badges. To do so is contravening copyright laws and will be pursued by the college
- Graffiti or writing on uniform items.

### **Non-Compliance with the Dress Code**

- A note from a parent/caregiver must be provided for any infringement of the college uniform, and the student is required to present this to a Head of Year in the Sports Hall, prior to the commencement of the school day. Students will be issued with an authorised uniform infringement on Compass.
- Students who are out of uniform without explanation are also required to present to a Head of Year in the Sports Hall prior to the start of the school day. This will result in an 'unauthorised uniform breach' on Compass. This breach will result in a uniform detention.
- Students who are wearing jewellery beyond what is permitted will be directed, in the first instance, to remove their jewellery. Repeated incidents may result in confiscation of the items, which will be available for collection at the end of the school day.
- Students who are out of uniform may be prevented from participating in any activity that, in the opinion of the Principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the college.



**STYLE GUIDE:**

<b>DAY UNIFORM</b>	
MHSSC Shirt/Blouse	The collar must be turned down. Sleeves are not to be rolled up.
MHSSC Skirt	The length of the skirt should not be adjusted. Worn at the waist and the waistline should not be rolled.
MHSSC Trousers / Shorts	The length of the shorts should not be adjusted. The length of the trousers is to the top of the heel at the back. Shorts and trousers may be worn with a plain black belt.
MHSSC Tie (Year 10,11, and 12)	Worn by Senior Secondary students with the MHSSC Shirt/Blouse.
Socks	Plain white ankle high socks with shorts or skirts. Socks must be visible above the shoe. Plain navy socks may be worn with the MHSSC Trousers.
<b>SPORTS UNIFORM</b>	
MHSSC Sports Shirt	Shirt is not tucked in. Sleeves are not to be rolled up.
MHSSC Sports Short	The length of the shorts should not be adjusted. To be worn at the waist and the waistline should not be rolled.
MHSSC Microfiber Track pants	The hem of the Microfiber track pants should not be rolled. To be worn at the waist and the waistline should not be rolled.
Socks	Plain white ankle high socks with shorts or track pants. Socks must be visible above the shoe.
<b>UNIVERSAL ITEMS</b>	
MHSSC Bucket Hat	Students are encouraged to wear the MHSSC hat for all outdoor activities. These hats are compulsory for Sport and HPE. No other hats are permitted to be worn with the college uniform, including to or from school.
MHSSC Softshell Jacket	Sleeves are not to be pulled over the hands. They are to remain in good condition.
MHSSC Microfibre Jacket	Sleeves are not to be pulled over the hands. They are to remain in good condition.
Shoes	Black, fully enclosed leather school shoes of substantial construction with a sturdy sole and in good condition. Please refer to the information below regarding footwear.
<b>COLLEGE BAGS</b>	
Students are encouraged to use the MHSSC bag. A sturdy backpack suitable for school is required. Consideration of backpack style that supports the safe storage of iPads is highly recommended.	
<b>JEWELLERY AND GROOMING</b>	
Students are to be neat and well presented at all times. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Temporary or semi-permanent cosmetic products must be natural in appearance (e.g. makeup etc).</li><li>• Clear nail polish only is permitted.</li><li>• False/acrylic nails are not permitted. Nails should be trimmed and worn short in consideration of workplace health and safety requirements.</li><li>• Jewellery is restricted to a wrist watch, two sets of plain studs (maximum 4mm in diameter) or sleepers in the ears. Necklaces need to be of sufficient length that they are not visible. No visible facial piercings are permitted. No other jewellery is permitted.</li><li>• Hairstyles are to be conservative in style.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Hair must be clean and tidy. Only natural hair colours are acceptable. Bright/unnatural tones including bright streaks, are not permitted.</li><li>○ Shoulder length or longer hair must be pulled back during lessons where workplace health and safety provisions require it.</li><li>○ Hair adornments are permitted in the college colours (white, navy, orange, blue).</li></ul></li></ul>	



### WINTER UNIFORM

The MHSSC Trousers, MHSSC Microfiber Track pants and MHSSC Softshell Jacket and MHSSC Microfibre Jacket are the only approved winter items at the time of publication of this dress code.

- Undershirts that are visible (at neck, sleeves or hip) are not permitted. Singlets, very short sleeved undershirts or spencers are permitted providing they cannot be seen.
- Scarves, beanies and/or gloves are not permitted.
- Navy tights or stockings are permitted to be worn under the Day Uniform skirt or shorts. Stockings are to be plain (not patterned) and in good condition without laddering or holes.
- Footlet tights or leggings are not permitted.

### DAY UNIFORM

#### JUNIOR SECONDARY (YEAR 7 – 9)

#### SENIOR SCHOOLING (YEAR 10 – 12)

#### ALL YEAR LEVELS



### SPORTS UNIFORM (UNIVERSAL)

### SOFTSHELL JACKET (UNIVERSAL)

### MICROFIBRE JACKET (UNIVERSAL)



### BUCKET HAT (UNIVERSAL)

### SCHOOL BAG (OPTIONAL)





**FOOTWEAR**

Black, fully enclosed leather school shoes of substantial construction with a sturdy sole and in good condition, must be worn at all times, by all students of the College. The sole of the shoes, and all laces, stitching and hardware of the shoes must be black only. Shoes must have a non-porous upper with a solid toe, and a non-slip rubber sole.

Decision making regarding permitted footwear to be worn with both the Day Uniform and Sports Uniform is reflective of the workplace health and safety requirements of the curriculum in Years 7- 12. Students not meeting this minimum requirement may be unable to participate in curriculum such as Science, Technology, including Materials and Technologies Specialisations and Food Specialisations.

The following table outlines examples of permitted footwear at the college, and footwear which are not acceptable.

**ACCEPTABLE AND UNACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR EXAMPLES**

Acceptable			Unacceptable		



**UNACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR INCLUDES:**

- any type of ankle boot or high-top shoes including basketball style boots
- skate shoes, including leather versions of Converse, Vans or other brand skate shoes
- slippers, ballet flats, Mary-Janes
- platform shoes or shoes with heels greater than 3cm
- sandals or thongs
- canvas, suede or cloth shoes (including Dunlop volleys, Converse or Vans)
- sneakers/joggers with mesh sections (excluding the tongue of the shoe).
- slip on shoes / zip-up shoes
- shoes with graffiti/decoration
- shoes with white or coloured stitching, laces or logos.