School Year 2022－2023
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The goal of our dress code is to ensure that students remain focused on learning and to create a positive and safe environment．We appreciate parent and student support in upholding our dress code．HISD allows each individual campus to establish its own dress code．Violations of the dress code policy will result in disciplinary action，per the HISD Student Code of Conduct．Besides the categories listed below，accessories，including jewelry，that distract from the educational process，are not allowed．Teachers will actively monitor and enforce the student dress code daily and parents will be notified about non－compliance．Students who do not comply with the dress code will be sent to the office to call parents to bring a change of clothes．School administrators have the final authority for decisions regarding the dress code．

Items below pertain to both elementary and middle school students unless indicated．The PTO may sell a variety of clothing options with the school logo during the school year．

| ITEM | REQUIREMENTS | COLOR |
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| TOPS | －Polo style shirt either short or long sleeves． <br> －Any MIMS t－shirt such as grade level shirts， various club shirts or school celebration shirts． | Solid Colors：red，white， navy blue or black with or without the MIMS logo |
| PANTS AND SHORTS | －All clothing must fit appropriately．A belt is preferred to hold up pants． <br> －Any oversized，undersized，torn，cut at the seam or frayed pants or shorts are not permitted． <br> －Shorts must be worn at the knee，or no more than 3 inches above the knee． | Solid Colors：khaki，navy blue，black or blue denim |
| SKIRTS，DRESSES AND JUMPERS | －Must be worn at the knee，or no more than 3 inches above the knee． <br> －Elementary students only are required to wear shorts or leggings under skirts，dresses and jumpers． | Solid Colors：khaki，navy blue，black or blue denim |
| TIGHTS AND <br> LEGGINGS | －Tights and／or leggings are to be worn only under skirts，dresses or jumpers． <br> －May not be worn alone． | Solid colors：navy blue， black，red，or white |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { SHOES AND } \\ & \text { SOCKS } \end{aligned}$ | －Closed－toe shoes are worn at all times． These shoes may be leather or sneaker styles． <br> －Socks are recommended with all shoes． <br> －For safety reasons，platform shoes，wedge shoes，spiked heels，steel－toed boots，or any backless shoes including，but not limited to， |  |


|  | clogs, crocs, shoes with wheels or lights, house shoes, sandals, or flip-flops, are not permitted. |  |
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| HATS, CAPS, HOODIES, AND SUNGLASSES | - While students may bring these items to school, they may not wear them in the building unless otherwise specified. <br> - Contact the school directly for religious or medical exceptions. |  |
| ID BADGE WITH PICTURE | - Middle School Only. <br> - Issued by the school. <br> - Must be worn around the neck at all times, except for PE. <br> - Personal lanyards are not permitted. <br> *Replacement for lost ID and/or lanyard costs $\$ 5$ | Lanyard colors: <br> - Grade 6 - yellow <br> - Grade 7 - red <br> - Grade 8 - black |
| FREE DRESS FRIDAYS <br> Every Friday all students may participate in free dress with the following expectations: <br> - Consider wearing MIMS spirit shirts, college $t$-shirts, scout uniforms, athletic team $t$-shirts. <br> - Clothing items may not include logos, images or writing that is inappropriate. <br> - There are no exceptions to the shoe requirements listed above. <br> - All clothing must fit appropriately and may not be oversized, undersized, torn cut at the seam or frayed, see-through, or strapless. <br> - Dress code policy applies during free-dress Fridays. |  |  |

## BACKPACKS AND OPEN LOCKERS STORAGE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

The safety of our students and staff is our top priority, and the district has taken several steps to ensure schools are safe learning environments. For the 2022-2023 school year, we encourage students in 4th through the 8th grade to use clear or mesh backpacks. Beginning in the school year 2023-2024, clear or mesh backpacks will be required for students in 4th through 8th. grade.

Middle School students are assigned open lockers near their homeroom. Students will use these open lockers to store their coats, lunches and other personal items. The open lockers are unsecured.

