



**MEMORIAL**  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL  
Classical Education

**“BUILDING A STRONG FOUNDATION”**  
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**MEMORIAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**  
**DRESS CODE**  
**AND**  
**UNIFORM POLICY**  
**2023-2024**



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## DRESS CODE

MLS is a classical, Lutheran school with a unique culture of discipline, tradition, and excellence, and the dress code and uniform policy are designed to support and reinforce these values. Modesty is a virtue for boys and girls, men and women, and the faculty and staff of MLS understand it to pertain both to covering appropriately and to avoiding ostentation. All individuals on the school campus must be fully and modestly dressed.

All students in Preschool through 12th grade are required to wear daily and full dress uniforms, supplied by [Lands' End](#), using school number 900153529. If suitable uniform pieces are found elsewhere, such as uniform khaki (non-cargo) pants or polos, MLS monogramming is also available from Astro Apparel and Uniform (713-975-0787). Complete uniform details are accessible on the online Parent Hub.

There are some minor changes for the 2023–2024 school year and following. Also, please note that our uniform pieces are not intended to mix and match beyond the included descriptions.

Hair should be kept clean, neat, and trimmed, including facial hair. Hair styles should be in good taste and conservative in style. Any distracting hair style or accessory, including dye, bangs in the eyes, or boy's hair below mid-ear or collar are not permitted. All decorative hair ornaments must match the colors of the uniform (uniform plaid, black, white, green, and navy).

No distracting clothing or accessories are permitted. Only girls may wear earrings and they are restricted to a single pair of studs or posts in the lobe. In sixth grade, girls may wear makeup, but it may not be excessive. Girls not adhering to this policy may be asked to remove the makeup immediately. Tattoos (temporary or permanent) are not permitted.

All clothing is to fit appropriately. **All shirts must be tucked in, except at gym or recess.** Children grow and that should be kept in mind when ordering. Boys must have shirts and pants that actually fit. Girls must wear dresses and skirts that measure no shorter than 1-inch above the knee. If there is a growth spurt, girls must wear leggings until the next size arrives. **Also, please note that cartwheel shorts or leggings are to be worn every day under dresses and skirts.**

Shoes are required at all times. Shoes are not to exceed typical heights: no high heels, platforms, etc. Shoes are to be closed-toe, solid black, solid white, or a combination of black and white with no color or sparkles, including logos. For girls, dress shoes, when worn, should be solid black, solid white, or a combination. For boys dress shoes should be dark brown dress shoe or Lands' End Men's Leather Slip-on Penny Loafer in Oxblood.

Any time swimsuits are allowed, suits are to be modest, and, as a school, we prefer rash-guard tops to prevent sunburns and student mischief with sunscreen. Water shoes of any color are required for Splash Day.

The faculty and administration reserve the right to require students to modify any elements of dress or appearance that are inconsistent with the culture of the school. Teachers recognize distractions. Deans and the headmaster determine questions about good taste.

## **UNIFORM EXCHANGE**

Gently used uniforms may be turned in to the school office. Collecting these generally allows for several Uniform Exchange Days throughout the year. Shopping at the uniform exchange is entirely free. Families may also contact Ms. Terri Boyd if uniform needs arise.

## GIRLS IN 9<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup>

### Girls in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesday, Performances, and as Announced

White monogrammed blouse  
Monogrammed blazer  
Navy scarf or tie  
Plaid box pleat skirt  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or, in winter, navy or black leggings  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Black flats or black and white Saddle Oxfords

### Girls in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

White monogrammed polo shirt (short or long sleeve)  
Plaid or navy skirt or skort (or blue uniform dress)  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or, in winter, navy or black leggings:  
Solid white socks  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes or Full Dress shoes

### Girls in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Spirit Days

MLS Spirit Shirt  
Uniform skirt or skort (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)  
Cartwheel shorts or leggings with the skirt  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Daily or Full Dress shoe

Students in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> also require a PE uniform, consisting of a shirt and shorts available through Lands' End.

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed green button-front or pullover cardigan, green monogrammed fleece, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc.

Girls of this age are allowed to wear makeup, but it may not be excessive. Girls not adhering to this policy may be asked to remove the makeup immediately.

## **BOYS IN 9<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup>**

Boys in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesdays, Performances, and as Announced

White monogrammed button-down oxford shirt

Striped uniform tie

Monogrammed blazer

(November through February, one can wear an optional monogrammed hunter green sweater vest)

Lands' End Navy dress pants

Belt to match shoes

Solid navy dress socks

Dark brown dress shoe or Lands' End Men's Leather Slip-on Penny Loafer in Oxblood

Boys in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Either a white monogrammed polo shirt or a white monogrammed button-down oxford shirt

Khaki or navy pants

(khaki shorts may be worn August through October and March through May)

Belt to match shoes

Either white athletic socks or dress socks in solid khaki or navy, matching the pants

Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes or Full Dress shoes

Boys in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Spirit Days

MLS Spirit Shirt

Khaki pants or shorts (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)

Brown or black belt is optional

Solid white socks (crew or athletic)

Daily or Full Dress shoe

Students in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> also require a PE uniform, consisting of a shirt and shorts available through Lands' End.

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed green fleece, a uniform green vest, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc.

## GIRLS IN 6<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup>

Girls in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesday, Performances, and as Announced

**Either** White monogrammed blouse  
Lands' End Sailor Tie or Navy Cross Tie  
Plaid skirt with navy or black cartwheel shorts or leggings

**Or** Plaid jumper and white blouse with Peter Pan collar

**With** White socks (ankle or higher)  
Black flats, Oxford Saddle shoes, or daily uniform shoes

**AND** A monogrammed navy cardigan is required from November through February

Girls in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

A monogrammed navy or green polo shirt (short or long sleeved)  
Plaid skirt or skort  
(Navy or black cartwheel shorts or leggings with skirt)  
White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes, Mary Jane, or Oxford Saddle

Girls in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>h</sup> Spirit Days

MLS Spirit Shirt  
Uniform skirt or skort (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)  
(Navy or black cartwheel shorts or leggings with the skirt)  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Daily or Full Dress shoe

Students in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> also require a PE uniform, consisting of a shirt and shorts available through Lands' End.

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed navy fleece or cardigan or pullover cardigan, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc.

Girls of this age may wear makeup, but it may not be excessive. Girls not adhering to this policy may be asked to remove the makeup immediately.

## GIRLS IN 3<sup>RD</sup> THROUGH 5<sup>TH</sup>

Girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesday, Performances, and as Announced

**Either** White monogrammed blouse  
Navy tie  
Plaid skirt

**Or** Plaid jumper  
White blouse with Peter Pan collar (navy trim)

**With** Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings  
White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoes

**AND** A monogrammed navy cardigan is required from November through February

Girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**Either** A monogrammed green or navy polo dress

**Or** A monogrammed navy or green polo shirt (short or long sleeved)  
Plaid skirt or skort

**With** Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings  
White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoes

Girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Spirit

MLS Spirit Shirt

Uniform skirt or skort (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)

(Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings with the skirt)

Solid white socks (ankle or higher)

Daily uniform shoe

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed navy fleece, cardigan, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc



## GIRLS IN K THROUGH 2<sup>ND</sup>

Girls in K through 2<sup>nd</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesdays, Performances, and as Announced

White blouse with Peter Pan collar (navy trim)  
Plaid jumper  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings  
White socks (ankle or higher) or tights (white)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoes  
A monogrammed navy cardigan (required from November through February)

Girls in K through 2<sup>nd</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**Either** Navy or green monogrammed polo dress (short or long sleeved)

**Or** Navy or green monogrammed polo shirt (short or long sleeved)  
Plaid skirt or skort

**With** Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings  
White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoes

Girls in K through 2<sup>nd</sup> Spirit Day

MLS Spirit Shirt  
Uniform skirt or skort (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)  
(Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings with the skirt)  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Daily uniform shoe

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed fleece, cardigan, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc.

## **BOYS IN KINDER THROUGH 8TH**

### Boys in Kinder through 8<sup>th</sup> Full Dress Uniform: Wednesday, Performances, and as Announced

White monogrammed button-down Oxford shirt  
Plaid tie  
Monogrammed navy sweater vest, required November through February  
Long khaki pants (no shorts)  
Black or brown belt (optional for Kinder but required for 1<sup>st</sup> and older)  
White socks (crew or athletic)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes

### Boys in Kinder through 8<sup>th</sup> Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Navy or green monogrammed polo shirt (short or long sleeved)  
Khaki pants or khaki shorts  
Black or brown belt (optional for Kinder but required for 1<sup>st</sup> and older)  
White socks (crew or athletic)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes

### Boys in K through 8<sup>th</sup> Spirit Day

MLS Spirit Shirt  
Khaki pants or shorts (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)  
Black or brown belt (optional for Kinder but required for 1<sup>st</sup> and older)  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Daily uniform shoe

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed fleece, vest, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

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## GIRLS IN PRESCHOOL & PRE-K

### Girls in Preschool & Pre-K Full Dress Uniform: Wednesday, Performances, and as Announced

Lands' End plaid jumper  
White blouse with Peter Pan collar (navy trim)  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings  
White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoes  
Navy monogrammed cardigan required November through February

### Girls in Preschool & PreK Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

- Either** Navy or green monogrammed polo dress  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings with skirt
- Or** Navy or green monogrammed polo shirt (short or long sleeved)  
Plaid skirt or skort  
Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings with skirt
- Or** White polo  
Navy jumper (This option exists for those in need of smaller sizes)
- With** White socks (ankle or higher)  
Solid white, solid black, or black and white shoe (no color logo)

### Girls in Preschool & PreK Spirit Day

MLS Spirit Shirt  
Uniform skirt or skort (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)  
(Navy or black cartwheel shorts or navy or black leggings with the skirt)  
Solid white socks (ankle or higher)  
Daily uniform shoe

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed fleece or cardigan, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

All uniforms or costumes, on every occasion, are to be appropriately modest and clean. Shirts should be tucked in. Polo shirts are to be buttoned, pants worn appropriately, etc.

## **BOYS IN PRESCHOOL & PRE-K**

### Boys in Preschool & PreK Full Dress Uniform: Wednesdays, Performances, and as Announced

White monogrammed button-down Oxford shirt

(No tie required)

Monogrammed navy sweater vest, required November through February

Long khaki pants (no shorts)

(No belt required)

White socks (crew or athletic)

Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes

### Boys in Preschool & PreK Daily Uniform: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Navy or green monogrammed polo shirt (short or long sleeved)

Khaki pants or khaki shorts

(No belt required)

White socks (crew or athletic)

Solid white, solid black, or black and white tennis shoes

### Boys in Preschool & PreK Spirit Day

MLS Spirit Shirt

Khaki pants or shorts (It will be announced if jeans are appropriate.)

Solid white socks (ankle or higher)

Daily uniform shoe

Inside the building, they may also wear a monogrammed fleece, vest, or a school-issued jacket. Hoodies are not part of the approved school uniform.

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