While the current secular culture objectifies and sensualizes the body, we believe each young person is God's precious child, unique creation who deserves respectful treatment from themselves and others (Eph. 2:10; Rom. 12:1-2; 1 Tim. 2:9). Dressing modestly can be difficult when popular clothing trends seem purposefully engineered to expose as much of the body as possible. We believe that the young person at MA can rise to the challenge and creatively express their unique personalities within Biblical principles. Attire should be modest, neat, clean, non-distracting, and appropriate for time and place. Parents are expected to partner with us in the enforcement of the MA Dress Code prior to their student(s) leaving home in the morning. In matters of opinion, the judgment of teachers and administration will prevail. The following dress code specifies appropriate student attire for the various activities at Madison Academy.

School Day Attire:

Students are expected to be within these guidelines beginning at 7 AM until the end of the school day.

Uniform Company:

Madison Academy has chosen Educational Outfitters, 3205 Powell Avenue, Suite B, Nashville, TN 37204 (phone: 615.373.0433, web: educationaloutfitters.com) for school apparel for both the regular school day and PE/ fitness/ Acros courses. Clothing may be purchased at the local store or online. The Madison Academy code is TN01751. All uniforms must be monogrammed at Educational Outfitters with the school logo on the shirts/ sweaters and the local vendor's tag on the pants/ shorts for easy identification.

Females:

- Embroidered Fitted Polo shirts: Must be navy or white with logo. Fitted polos only come in short sleeves.
- Embroidered Unisex Polo shirts: Must be navy or white with logo in short or long sleeve.
- Embroidered Oxford blouse: Must be white with logo in short or long sleeve. Must be tucked in.
- Embroidered Cardigan: Must be navy fine-gauge with logo.
- Embroidered Sweater: Must be navy fine gauge V-neck pullover with logo.
- Pants: Must be khaki or navy of any E.O. style and worn with a tucked in shirt or undershirt.
- Skorts / Scooters: Must be khaki or navy of any E.O. style and no shorter than 2" above the top of knee and worn with a tucked in shirt or undershirt.
- Skirt: Must be the E.O. drop-waist style in Plaid 85 and no shorter than 2" above the top of knee and worn with a tucked-in shirt or undershirt.
- Belts: Must be worn when wearing pants. Belts must be black, navy, or brown.
- Leggings and Tights: Must be solid navy or white.
- Socks or Knee Socks: Must be solid white, navy, grey, black or brown in color.

Males:

- Embroidered Unisex Polo shirt: Must be navy or white with logo in short or long sleeve. Must be tucked in.
- Embroidered Oxford shirt: Must be white with logo in long sleeve. Must be tucked in.
- Embroidered Sweater: Must be navy fine-gauge V-neck pullover or vest with logo.
- Pants: Must be khaki or navy with the vendor's tag from E.O. or Academy Sports brand.
- Shorts: Must be any E.O. style khaki or plaid 85 with the vendor's tag. (cannot be Academy Sport or other)
- Tie: A plaid 85 tie or bow-tie is option if worn with the Oxford shirt.
- Belts: Must be worn and be black, navy, or brown in color.
- Socks: Must be solid white, navy, grey, black or brown in color.

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Both Genders:

- Shoes: Students must wear closed-toed and closed-heel dress or athletic shoes. Shoes must have only the following colors: white, navy, grey, black or brown in color. Bold and neon-colors, crocs, sandals, water shoes, skeletoe-types, house slippers, flip-flops / beachwear are NOT permitted.
- Jewelry: Although we do not believe that wearing jewelry is a moral issue, students are to set aside all jewelry including rings, earrings (and clear studs), ankle bracelets, friendship bracelets, and sweat band or pony-tail holders worn as bracelets.
- Tattoos or body-piercings: May not be displayed on the body.
- Hair: Must be clean, out of the eyes, and present a well-groomed appearance. Extreme colors or cuts are not appropriate for school.
- Clothing: Must be in good condition without tears, rips, or ragged hems.
- Headgear: Sunglasses, hats, or any other type of head gear is not allowed inside the school building.

Cold Weather Outerwear:

- Embroidered ¼ Zip Pullover: Navy ¼ zip pullover with logo.
- Navy jacket with logo and optional name (sold by OE).
- Approved MA schoolwide (sold by OE) or organizational jackets or sweaters.
- Hoodies and sweatshirts of any kind are NOT acceptable school attire.

Phys Ed. /Fitness/Acros Uniform:

- T-Shirt: Grey E.O. shirt with screen-printed logo must be worn.
- Shorts: Navy E.O. shorts with screen-printed logo must be worn.
- May wear leggings or bike shorts underneath the logoed shorts.

Dress Code Violations

Dress Code violations will be addressed in the demerit system. Skirt violations only: The second violation will result in the student forfeiting the privilege of wearing a skirt for a month. When the student is allowed to again wear a skirt, at the first offense the student must go back to wearing school pants for the remainder of the school year.

School Spirit Days (SA, Athletics, etc.):

Students must wear either the school dress uniform or the special apparel as communicated by administration. Modest and respectful choices are expected.

Music Department Uniform:

Students in ALL music classes (band, bells, and praise team) are to wear black pants and a white shirt for church performances. Ladies may opt for a floor-length black dress with no slit. A silver bowtie or sash will be provided.

Ladies Formal Attire (Banquets & Sr. Class Night, etc.):

- Straps: Must have at least two straps (a shawl or cover-up does not take the place of straps).
- Front: Must not have visible cleavage.
- Back: Must have solid fabric at least from the bra-line down
- Slits: May not be more than two inches above the knee
- Length: May not be shorter than two inches above the knee in the front and back.

Off-Campus Field Trips:

If MA uniforms are not required, then modest Christian attire is expected for off-campus school-sponsored activities and field days. If swimwear is required, a modest one-piece swimsuit must be worn.

The school reserves the right to review and change these guidelines as needed. A review will be done during postsession and an updated dress code will be posted for each school year.