

## SHIRTS

- ✓ All shirts must be a **solid** color. The only acceptable colors are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown or shades of gold and yellow.
- ✓ Golf shirts (short or long sleeve), turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks, button down dress shirts (short or long sleeve, with or without breast front pockets), or blouses (short or long sleeve) are the only acceptable shirts to be worn.
- ✓ Only the top-most button of any shirt may be unbuttoned.
- ✓ Layering of tops is permitted as long as the outermost layer meets all dress code provisions and all visible layers are solid colored and are one of the appropriate colors.
- ✓ Shirts must be sized to fit the student (i.e. +/- 1 size to the student's measurements).
- ✓ All shirts greater than four (4) inches below the waist must be tucked in at all times.
- ✓ Shirts may **not** have holes or frays.
- ✓ Only approved school district logos will be permitted.\*\*



## SWEATSHIRTS, SWEATERS, VESTS, BLAZERS, FLEECE

- ✓ Sweatshirts, sweaters, vests, fleece, and blazers must be **solid** colors. The only acceptable colors are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown, or shades of gold and yellow.
- ✓ An approved shirt must be worn beneath sweatshirts, sweaters, vests, fleece, and blazers at all times.
- ✓ Sweatshirts, sweaters, vests, fleece, and blazers must be sized to fit the student (i.e. +/- 1 size to the student's measurements).
- ✓ Only small side pockets are permitted. Front pockets are **not** permitted.
- ✓ Hoods are **not** permitted.
- ✓ Coats or any other outerwear are **not** allowed to be worn during the school day.
- ✓ Only approved school district logos will be permitted.\*\*

## EXEMPTIONS

- ✓ For the safety and welfare of everyone, teachers may limit the kind of clothing or accessories that may be worn by students in classes such as physical education, science laboratories, consumer science, and technology education class.
- ✓ Principals have the right to make short-term, specific exceptions to the standard dress code for unique situations to include but not limited to pregnancies or physical impairments.
- ✓ Parents/Guardians who object to the policy based on religious or medical grounds must present to the building principal a signed letter detailing the reason for the objection. The parent/guardian and the building principal will meet to discuss the exemption.
- ✓ Spirit Days can be authorized by the Administration throughout the year. Students are permitted to wear any Mahanoy Area short or long-sleeved t-shirt or Mahanoy Area team uniform shirt. Any sleeveless uniform shirt must be worn with an appropriate shirt underneath. All clothing must conform to the usual dress code rules about length, fit, condition, pockets, and hoods.
- ✓ The Administration may designate specific days throughout the year as Dress Down Days in which students are permitted to wear jeans and a Mahanoy Area short or long-sleeved t-shirt only. All clothing must still conform to the usual dress code rules about length, fit, condition, pockets, and hoods. These days may include a fee to benefit student programming, school committees, special events, and/or charities.



## DISCIPLINE INFRACTIONS (3-12)

- ✓ **1st offense:** Student will be permitted to call home for appropriate clothing and issued a warning. If no appropriate clothing is brought to school, student will be sent to ISS for the remainder of the day.
- ✓ **2nd offense:** Student will be given clothing from the Cinderella Closet to change into until the end of the day and assigned a 4:00 detention.
- ✓ **3rd offense:** Student will be given clothing from the Cinderella Closet to change into until the end of the day and assigned a 5:00 detention.
- ✓ **4th + offense:** Student will be given clothing from the Cinderella Closet to change into until the end of the day. In addition, a citation will be filed with district magistrate (for each offense following the third).
- ✓ Students in **K-2** will be permitted to call home for appropriate clothing and issued warnings for the first three offenses. Upon the fourth and any subsequent offense students will be given clothing from the Cinderella Closet to change into until the end of the day and a citation will be filed with district magistrate.
- ✓ A Cinderella's Closet (with limited supply) is available to trade clothing or purchase up to three sets of clothing at a minimum cost.

## MAHANOY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY 221 REVISED 2012-2013



*The Mahanoy Area School District recognizes its paramount obligation to provide for the health, safety and welfare of students. The District further recognizes its responsibility to maintain a positive learning environment in the school and to minimize the opportunity for distraction and/or disruption. The District believes that a dress code will address the issues related to the health, safety, and welfare of the students attending its schools and will further aid in the maintenance of a positive learning environment.*

The entire approved Student Dress Code Policy is available by contacting any school building office or on the school website at [www.mabears.net](http://www.mabears.net).

The dress code may be amended at any time at the discretion of the Mahanoy Area School Board.

## SHOES, SOCKS, SANDALS, BOOTS, SNEAKERS

- ✓ Shoes, socks, tights, sandals, boots, and sneakers must be predominantly white, black, brown or gray.
- ✓ Shoes, sandals, boots and sneakers must at least have a secured strap in the back.
- ✓ Any backless footwear is **not** permitted.
- ✓ All laces, buckles, Velcro, etc. must be tied/secured at all times.
- ✓ Flip flops (with or without straps) are **not** permitted.
- ✓ Exceptions can be approved by administration for formal events.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION DRESS

- ✓ Acceptable physical education pants include shorts (including mesh), sweatpants, and athletic/wind pants.
- ✓ The only acceptable shorts or pants colors in the **elementary school (K-4)** are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown, or shades of gold and yellow.
- ✓ All colors of pants are permitted in the **middle and high schools**.
- ✓ All shorts, sweatpants, and athletic/wind pants must be worn at the waist.
- ✓ All shorts, sweatpants, and athletic/wind pants must extend to at least knee length.
- ✓ Side pockets on the legs are **not** permitted.
- ✓ Pants may **not** drag on the floor.
- ✓ Acceptable shirts include short or long sleeve t-shirts.
- ✓ The only acceptable shirt colors in the **elementary school (K-4)** are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown, or shades of gold and yellow. Only approved Mahanoy Area logos will be accepted in the elementary school.
- ✓ All colors of shirts are permitted in the **middle and high schools**. Approved school district logos and manufacturer logos will be permitted only in the middle and high school physical education classes. No other lettering, insignias, or logos are permitted.\*\*
- ✓ **Elementary students (K-4)** should come to school dressed in approved physical education attire only on those days that the student is scheduled for physical education class. Shorts may only be worn from April 15th through October 15th.

## PANTS, CAPRIS, SHORTS, SKORTS, SKIRTS

- ✓ All pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts must be a **solid** color. The only acceptable colors are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown, or shades of gold and yellow.
- ✓ Pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts must be sized to fit the student (i.e. +/- 1 size to the student's measurements). Pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts must be worn at the waist.
- ✓ Pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts must extend to at least knee length.
- ✓ Leggings, yoga pants, pajama pants, tights, or any style of jeans may **not** be worn. Pants may also **not** be tight-fitting to the leg.
- ✓ Side pockets on the legs of any style of pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts are **not** permitted (i.e. cargo, cell phone, etc.). Pockets sewn closed will no longer be allowed. They must be removed.
- ✓ Pants and skirts may **not** drag on the floor.
- ✓ Pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts may **not** reveal undergarments at any time.
- ✓ Pants, capris, shorts, skorts, and skirts may **not** have holes or frays.
- ✓ Shorts and skorts are only permitted from April 15th through October 15th.
- ✓ Manufacturing logos less than one inch are permitted. No other lettering, insignias, or logos are permitted. \*\*

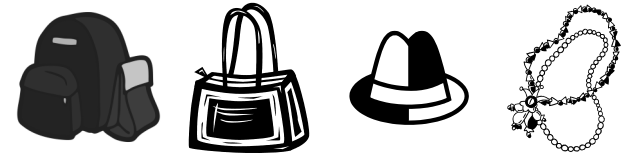


## GIRLS DRESSES AND JUMPERS

- ✓ Girls' dresses and jumpers must be a **solid** color. The only acceptable colors are black, white, grey, tan, beige, brown, or shades of gold and yellow.
- ✓ An approved shirt must be worn beneath a jumper at all times.
- ✓ Dresses and jumpers must extend to at least knee length.
- ✓ Dresses and jumpers must be sized to fit the student (i.e. +/- 1 size to the student's measurements).
- ✓ Dresses and jumpers may **not** reveal undergarments at any time.
- ✓ Dresses and jumpers may **not** have holes or frays.
- ✓ Only approved school district logos will be permitted.\*\*

## ACCESSORIES, PIERCINGS, TATTOOS, HAIR

- ✓ Any color or style backpack may be carried into the building provided it is left inside the student's locker or elementary homeroom. However, **only** clear backpacks can be carried throughout the school day-
- ✓ Purses may be carried as long as they are **not** more than five (5) inches by seven (7) inches.
- ✓ Hats, handkerchiefs, bandanas, or headbands across the forehead are **not** allowed to be worn inside the school.
- ✓ Sunglasses are **not** allowed to be worn inside the school.
- ✓ Gloves (with or without fingers) and mittens are **not** allowed to be worn inside the school.
- ✓ Arm or wrist bands are **not** allowed to be worn inside the school.
- ✓ Dog collars or any kind of jewelry or belts-with studs, rivets or spikes are **not** allowed to be worn inside the school.
- ✓ Anything that could reasonably be deemed dangerous may **not** be worn inside the school.
- ✓ The length or style of a student's hair may **not** constitute a health or safety hazard, nor may it cause undue disruption of the learning process.
- ✓ Any student piercing that is deemed disruptive to the educational process will need to be removed.
- ✓ Offensive tattoos (i.e. depicting drugs, smoking, sex, etc) must be covered at all times.
- ✓ Exceptions can be approved by administration for formal events-



## \*\* APPROVED SCHOOL DISTRICT LOGOS

School district logos must be approved by the Superintendent. Approved logos **no** larger than two (2) inches by two (2) inches will be permitted. **No** other lettering, insignias, or logos may appear on any clothing.