

# RMCA UNIFORM POLICY

RMCA upholds a high standard of excellence. Our school uniform is no exception. Please ensure that your student(s) is properly dressed and ready to learn when they come to school. All clothing must be properly fitting and conservative in nature. Students who choose not to be in compliance with these guidelines will be sent to the front office to request a change of clothing from their parent/guardian. If this is not possible and the clothing is deemed offensive in nature or inappropriate, then the student will sit in the front office completing their assignment(s). Administration reserves the right to make the final judgment call on all clothing selections for the day.

## **Pants and Skirts**

Boys may wear classic navy or khaki colored pants or shorts. Girls may wear classic navy or khaki colored pants, shorts, capris, skirts or jumpers. Pants must not be too tight. On days when jeans are allowed, jeans that are tight and not considered modest are not allowed. Jeans may not be black, white, or any color other than a shade of denim blue. Pants and jeans must be proper fitting and conservative in nature. Pants and Jeans such as skinny, jeggings, and any other jeans that are deemed too tight or have holes or rips are not allowed.

Shorts and skirts should be no shorter than two inches above the knee when sitting. Girls in grades K-5 may wear polo style dresses. Girls may wear tights or leggings under their skirts. Tights and leggings must be solid in color; approved colors are dark green, white, red, navy, pink, or gray.

## Shirts

Acceptable shirt styles for grades K-7 grade students are:

- Short sleeve polos
- Long sleeve polos
- Turtlenecks; as a single uniform shirt or under a polo shirt of the same color
- Approved colors for grades K-7 are red, white, classic navy, evergreen, ice pink or light blue

Acceptable shirt styles for 8th grade students are:

- Short sleeve polos
- Long sleeve polos
- Turtlenecks; as a single uniform shirt or under a polo shirt of the same color
- Any color solid polo shirt is approved for 8<sup>th</sup> grade (no stripes orplaids)

Students in grade K-4 must have shirts tucked in at all times. Students in grades 5-8 may leave their shirts untucked.

### **Shoes**

Shoes should have closed toe and closed heel. The shoes must not have lights. All tennis, athletic, or running shoes may be any color. The shoe may have patterns, such as plaids, stripes, shapes, etc., but may not have characters. Appropriate manufacturer logos are acceptable. Shoelaces must be solid in color and match an accent color in the shoe. No heels greater than one inch. No slippers or slipper like shoes. No shoes will go above the height of the standard high top athletic shoe. No shoes will have separated toes. No clogs or slides. No sandals or flip flops.

#### **Boots**

Boots may be worn throughout the school year. Boots must be tan, brown, navy, gray or black. If a student wears boots, tights or leggings must be worn as well. No heels greater than one inch. Boots must not go past the knees.

## Socks

Students must wear socks or tights at all times. Socks should be solid in color and should coordinate with uniform pants or shirts. Tights and leggings shall be dark green, white, red, navy, pink or gray. Socks must match one another.

#### **Belts**

Belts are required for all students 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade. They must be solid black or brown, leather or similar material. Belts must be worn with all pants, shorts, capris, and any skirt that has belt loops.

## **Sweaters and Hoodies**

RMCA spirit wear hoodies, zip-up, or pullover hoodies in navy blue or gray with no logos or designs as well as cardigan, fleece, zip-up, or pullover sweaters in approved uniform colors are allowed in the classroom. All other outer wear must remain in classrooms for grades K-5 or in backpacks for grades 6-8 during the school day. Hoods should be down throughout the academic day. Garments worn under the hoodie must meet school uniform requirements.

## **Jeans and Spirit Wear**

For a donation at the beginning of the year to the PTO, students may wear jeans with either an approved uniform shirt or a spirit wear shirt on Friday of each week. Parent/guardian must complete and turn in the Jeans for Dreams Form with payment to the PTO via the Drop Box located in the front office. Jeans must fit modestly and be in good condition. Jeans may not be tight and must be a shade of denim blue. Jeans may not be black, white, or any color other than a shade of denim blue and must not have holes or large rips in them. Jeans may not be worn on picture days.

# **Special Events**

Students may be given special permission to "dress up" on occasions when special events are scheduled, i.e.: music programs, game days for athletes, picture days or days signifying classical education themes, etc. Rules for modesty and dress code still apply on these days.

## Other rules that apply to the Dress Code

- Appropriate undergarments must be worn and not visible. Camis for girls and undershirts for boys are allowed, but not required, and must not show.
- Make-up may not be worn until the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and must be conservative innature.
- Tattoos and body piercings, other than girls' earrings, are not allowed. Earrings must be limited to one earring per ear. Large, dangling, or hoop-type earrings are not allowed. Jewelry other than

- watches for boys or girls, and small earrings on girls, may not be worn. Bracelets are not allowed. Official RMCA bracelets are allowed to be worn.
- Necklaces may be worn but should be inside the shirt.
- Hairstyle and hair color must be conservative in nature. Boys' hair must not extend below the top of
  the shirt collar in the back, the bottom of the ears on the sides or the eyebrows in front. Mohawk,
  faux hawk, no symbols, shapes, or designs of any kind shaved into the head or anything that
  inhibits the learning environment as determined by the campus administration. Hair may not be
  spiked. Large hair decorations may not be worn. Bandanas may not be worn. Highlights must be two
  tones lighter or darker than the student's natural hair color. No highlights that are not a natural
  hair color.
- No pocket chains or hats may be worn in the building.
- Individual exceptions will be considered on a case by case basis including religious, cultural, and national norms.