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# Student Handbook

*A handbook for Meridian Students and Parent/s outlining the School's policies, procedures, and guidelines. This handbook can also be found online at [www.meridianschool.org](http://www.meridianschool.org) under the Student Life tab.*



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## ***Welcome***

Welcome to Meridian School! We are so happy that you are a student at Meridian and a part of the Meridian community. For many years, students at Meridian School have come from Utah and many different parts of the world, and we welcome your talents, perspective, culture and voice that will contribute to our community.

Meridian School was founded in 1989 as an independent, liberal arts private school. The school continues in the tradition of a classical education with a vision of personalized learning and global perspective. The word “meridian” refers to the hour of noon—the time of day when the sun is at its highest point. It is most brilliant and strong and gives all living things the necessary light to grow and develop. Meridian symbolizes the brightness of hope that we see in students from diverse backgrounds. It represents the connection between teachers and students, knowledge and learning.

At Meridian, faculty and administration are dedicated to providing an exemplary education in a secure and nurturing environment for all students. Please read the following information to become familiar with the school’s standards, policies and its aspirations towards light and truth that are the defining features of Meridian School.

## ***Our Mission***

Meridian School produces leaders, thinkers, and doers who will excel in higher education, the workplace, and the family. A Meridian education is characterized by rigorous intellectual skills, high moral standards, and balanced social and emotional development.

## ***Diversity Statement***

The Meridian School community respects the diversity in our students, faculty and administration, including differences in culture, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, age, gender, learning and physical abilities and socioeconomic status. Meridian School does not discriminate in administration of its admission policies, educational practices and other school-related programs. Meridian School grants the rights, privileges, programs and activities at the school to each and every student.

## ***Honor Code***

The Meridian School community fosters an environment where care and respect for one another is our foundation. Students, faculty and administration contribute to an atmosphere that is inspiring, inclusive, nurturing and safe for everyone.

The Honor Code at Meridian School expects students to conduct themselves with honor, integrity and respect for others. Meridian students do not lie, cheat, steal or inflict physical, mental or emotional harm to others or their property. Students pledge to follow all school rules as outlined in the Code of Conduct. At the same time, students are not to tolerate the actions of others who do not uphold the Code of Conduct, and should report such activity to the faculty or administration. It is of utmost importance to the administration and faculty that students thrive in

a secure environment where learning, and a love for learning, flourish, while enabling students to develop their potential and a better global understanding of the world in which they live.

## *Academic Standards*

The vision of Meridian School is to be the standard of excellence for K-12 educational institutions in the United States and abroad in terms of student achievement and best-in-the-world educational practices.

- Personal Learning. Our task is to *instruct*, *inspire*, and *empower* each student as an individual, possessing unique talents and multiple intelligences.
- Global Perspective. Our students learn in an environment rich in inter-cultural exchange. International teachers and students bring ideas and perspectives that bridge educational and cultural boundaries. It is a culture that inspires children and young adults to contribute in a global society.
- Innovative Curriculum. We *instruct* by using best educational practices and technologies, *inspire* by exemplifying what we want students to achieve, and *empower* by providing a wide-range of opportunities both in and out of the classroom.

## *Graduation Requirements*

Students who attend Meridian School must complete a rigorous core curriculum in English, mathematics, history, foreign language and science prior to graduation. A variety of non-core electives in fine arts, debate, social sciences, physical education and technology further enable students to grow intellectually, artistically, athletically and morally. To receive a Meridian diploma, students must earn the following requirements:

### English

Four credits of English:

- Class 9: Language Arts & Ancient Literature
- Class 10: Language Arts & Modern World Literature
- Class 11: Language Arts & American Literature
- Class 12: AP English Literature & Composition

### History

Four credits of History:

- Class 9: Ancient World History
- Class 10: Modern World/European History
- Class 11: American History
- Class 12: Senior Seminar or AP U.S. Government and Politics

### Math

Four credits of progressive Mathematics:

Algebra 2, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus AB and BC, and Statistics

### Science

Three credits of Science:

Class 9: Anatomy and Physiology  
Class 10: Chemistry  
Class 11: Biology  
Class 12: Physics or Psychology

Foreign Languages

Three credits in one or more foreign languages.

2 Credits in Fine Arts Electives

2 Credits in Physical Education Electives

2 Credits in Other Electives

International students, who do not speak English as their first language, have the option to take several core classes with English as a second language: ESL English, ESL History and ESL Science classes.

Students must earn between 24 and 28 credits during their high school years, and be enrolled, with at least 6 credits, for their entire senior year.

### **Academic Honors**

**Honor Roll** is recognition for students with a GPA of 3.4 and higher and with no grade C+ or below and no incompletes in any course taken during the semester.

**High Honor Roll** is a distinction for students with a GPA of 3.7 and higher and with no grade C+ or below and no incompletes in any course taken during the semester.

For a student who makes Honor Roll both semesters in an academic year, the student is recognized as a **Meridian Scholar**. When a student achieves High Honor Roll both semesters of the school year, the student is awarded **Meridian Scholar with Distinction**. These honors will appear on the student's Meridian School transcript.

## *Meridian School Grading Scale*

The following scale will be used for determining grades:

<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Numerical Value</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
A	4.0	94% - 100%
A-	3.7	90% - 93%
B+	3.4	87% - 89%
B	3.0	84% - 86%
B-	2.7	80% - 83%
C+	2.4	77% - 79%
C	2.0	74% - 76%
C-	1.7	70% - 73%
D+	1.4	67% - 69%
D	1.0	64% - 66%
D-	0.7	60% - 63%
F	0	59% -
P	0	Non-graded Pass
I	0	Incomplete

### *Incomplete Coursework*

Teachers will assign a student an "I" (incomplete) at the end of a grading period when a student has not been able to complete an assignment or a final exam due to illness or family emergencies. A student with a grade of "I" must complete the course work by the end of the following term or summer. Failure to complete the necessary course work will result in a letter grade of "F" on the student's transcript.

### *Academic Probation*

A student in Middle or Upper School is placed on academic probation at the end of the grading period for one or more of the following reasons:

1. A grade of C- in half (3) of core classes
2. A grade of D+ or lower in any core class
3. A GPA of 1.75 or lower

For foreign language and math classes, a student must receive a grade of C or higher in order to pass and move on to the next level. Please note that any student on probation will not be allowed to participate in school sports or extra-curricular activities until he or she is removed from academic probation. Students may also be assigned to attend lunch hour study labs until their grade is satisfactory. Students assigned to study labs are expected to attend until they are notified by the administration that they have been taken off probation. Private tutors may also be required to help in certain areas of study. We are anxious for our students to succeed and strive to support them in their efforts.

Students who are on academic probation two times during a school year will be in jeopardy of losing their enrollment at the school. Contracts may not be automatically renewed for the next school year. However, each student's situation will be considered individually; effort, overall academic performance, and behavior will all play a part in the contract decision.

### *Parent-Teacher Conferences*

During each of the two semesters, parents have the opportunity to meet with teachers one-on-one during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Lower School homeroom teachers have set times for appointments on a particular day or after school. Middle and Upper School core subject teachers are available during Parent-Teacher conferences to meet with parents, and elective teachers may block out a period of time when they will be available. Conferences are held in the classrooms and in the multi-purpose room at the school.

# *Attendance Policy*

The first bell of the school day rings at 8:10 am. First period and lower school classes begin promptly at 8:15 am. All students are expected to be on time to each class. A student's success in any subject is dependent upon regular attendance and participation in class. Excessive absences and tardiness negatively affect a student's ability to do well in school.

## *Tardiness*

Classes begin at 8:15 am. Students should be at school no later than 8:10 am to be on time for class. All students who arrive after 8:15 am must check in at the Front Office and pick up a tardy slip to take to their homeroom or first period teacher.

**A class tardy** is issued to any student arriving up to 5 minutes late to his/her class. Any student arriving later than 5 minutes to class without an approved note from a parent or administrator is considered to have an unexcused absence. Chronic tardiness is disruptive to the classroom environment and may result in disciplinary action.

## *Absences*

Absences should be avoided as much as possible. Regular attendance is necessary for a student's success in school. **A student will be given an unexcused absence if there is no contact from his/her parent/guardian within 24 hours.** Please follow these guidelines:

- Absences due to illness, funerals, and other emergencies deemed allowable by the administration, should be excused within the day of the absence.
- Parents should contact the school before 9:00 am to excuse their child for illness. If a student is not excused for this absence within the current school day, the absence will be considered unexcused.
- Prolonged absences must be excused with a phone call, note or email from the parent.
- Travel and vacations during the semester should be planned during school holidays.
- Doctor, dentist and other appointments should be scheduled before or after school hours.
- **Students with an unexcused absence from school during the day, or excused absence for more than one class, are not eligible to participate in school activities that are held on the same day (games, performances, etc.).**

## *Unexcused Absences*

A student is considered unexcused if an absence is not cleared with the Front Office within 24 hours of the absence. Parents will be contacted regarding unexcused absences.

Students who drive themselves may not be excused to leave campus at any time during the day without prior written permission and approval from the administration before leaving the school. Any student who leaves during the school day without permission will automatically be given an unexcused absence. Parents may not excuse this type of absence after the fact. **All students must have permission to leave campus beforehand!**

## **School and Teacher's Responsibility**

- The Front Office will call the parent of a student marked absent from first period class usually by 9:30 am.
- Teachers will provide a disclosure document stating expectations of each student in their class (i.e. grading, attendance, participation, etc.)

- Participation points will be deducted from the student's grade for tardies and absences. Points will not be deducted from test or assignment grades, but the student's overall grade can be affected, as outlined in the teachers' policies.

### **Student's Responsibility with Homework and Tests**

All students are responsible to obtain missed assignments or make-up work from their teacher due to tardiness and absence. Students must make up the work, where allowed by the teacher in a timely manner. If a student is absent on a test day, the teacher is not obligated to allow the student to make up the test. Prior arrangements with the teacher should be made for planned absences.

## ***Health and Safety***

### ***Parent Responsibility***

It is the responsible of the parent/guardian to provide Meridian School with all necessary forms/paperwork required to be able to properly assist a student in the case of accident, illness, or injury. Each year, specific paperwork is needed from parents to maintain current records on each student. These forms include, but may not be limited to, School Health Form, School Check-Out Form, and Over-Night Field Trip Forms (Refer to Field-Trip Policy in this manual). Meridian School administration will make every effort to collect these forms, but the responsibility to ensure accurate records for their students is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

### ***Medication***

Meridian School must be informed of any prescription medication that a student is required to take at school. If a student needs to take non-prescription medication (i.e. Tylenol) during the school day, permission must be granted by a parent/guardian on the Meridian School Health Form. The school nurse will administer non-prescription medications as permitted.

### ***Accidents or Injuries***

The school nurse will administer initial treatments of minor injuries. If the injury is serious and warrants further care, the student's emergency contact will be notified immediately by phone. Meridian School will take all necessary steps to ensure the care of the student. It is the responsibility of the parent to be certain that all emergency contact information and specific requests are up-to-date on the Meridian School Health Form.

# *Code of Conduct*

As a part of the Meridian community, each student is responsible to know and adhere to the Code of Conduct. Parents are also responsible to understand the Code of Conduct and support their student in abiding by these rules.

## *In Class Behavior*

All students are expected to be attentive and respectful in class. Any disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.

## *Behavior Toward Others*

All students should treat school administrators, teachers and each other with respect. This includes refraining from offensive language and inappropriate physical action. The environment at Meridian School does not tolerate aggressive, demeaning or bully-like behavior, either on-campus or off-campus, including online and through social media.

**Federal law prohibits sexual harassment of any kind by students or employees of Meridian School. Any joke, gestures, physical contact, negative or offensive comments, written or verbal that is humiliating or derisive, creates an uncomfortable learning environment. Violations will result in immediate suspension or other appropriate action.**

## *Cheating*

Honesty is expected of everyone in all activities. Any student caught cheating on assignments or tests will receive a zero in score.

## *Plagiarism*

Plagiarism refers to copying others' work without proper and explicit credit. This includes downloading information from the internet and passing it off as one's own. Students must put into their own words what they have learned from their research or cite resources appropriately. Plagiarized work will not receive course credit, and the student will not have additional opportunities to complete the assignment.

## *Cell Phones and Electronics*

Cell phones and MP3 players are allowed at school but must be turned off and in backpacks or lockers during all class times. Laptop computers and calculators are permitted in classrooms for instructional purposes only. Abuse of any electronic device may result in confiscation.

## *Student Internet Use*

A student's use of computers and the internet at Meridian School is a privilege. Use of computers and the internet are for educational purposes, as required for class assignments. In using computers and internet access at the school, students agree to obey all state and federal laws and regulations. It is not acceptable for students to post inappropriate messages, view illicit sites, threaten or disparage members of the school community or the school online or through social media. If a student violates this rule and misuses school computers and/or internet access, there will be a loss of network privileges and disciplinary action will follow.

### *School Photographs*

By enrolling a student at Meridian School, parents and the student understand that photographs taken by the school or a third party for school purposes are the property of the school. Meridian School may transfer or use photographs in school brochures, newsletters, advertising, posters, displays, slide shows, video tapes, catalogues, electronic images on the school's website and like publications or literature without limitations or reservations.

### *On-Campus Lunch*

Students may bring their lunch to school, and microwaves are available in the school lunchroom. Students also have the option to purchase a reasonably priced hot or cold lunch from a local catering company, What's 4 Lunch Inc. What's 4 Lunch can be accessed through their website, [www.whats4lunchinc.com](http://www.whats4lunchinc.com) or via their icon on the Meridian School website. Students or parents can place orders daily by 8:00 am and also for up to two months in advance.

### *Off-Campus Lunch*

The setting of Meridian School and its location within the community supports our need for a closed campus. However, we desire to offer the privilege of off-campus lunch to students in ninth through twelfth grades. High school students may leave campus during lunchtime to visit local establishments and must return in time for afternoon classes. This time is considered to be a **Release Time Period**- so please review that section in the handbook to understand the requirements and behaviors expected during a release time period.

### *Field Trip Policy*

By enrolling a student at Meridian School, parents give permission for their student to participate in off-campus field trips and activities as scheduled by Meridian School faculty and staff. Parents/guardians will be notified in advance of field trips and may elect to NOT send their student to school during the scheduled field-trip activity. If a parent/guardian elects to send their student to school/class during the scheduled field-trip activity, the parent/guardian recognizes that there are inherent risks associated with any activity or field-trip. By sending their student to the scheduled field-trip, the parent/guardian acknowledges that such risks exist, but believes the opportunity for learning outweighs these risks. In the unlikely event that the student becomes ill or is injured during a field-trip, the parent authorizes Meridian School faculty and/or staff to act as an agent on their behalf to secure services needed for the well-being of the student. The parent/guardian further agrees to provide payment for these costs. In the event that the parent/guardian cannot be located during the securing of these needed services, Meridian School faculty will refer to the Family Health Form information that is on file with the school. ***Special note: If the field-trip involves an over-night activity, parents will be provided an additional consent form to be signed for the school.***

### *Smoking, Drugs and Alcohol*

Meridian School has zero tolerance for the use of and distribution of cigarettes, drugs and alcohol on campus and when a student is at a school- sponsored activity. Any student caught with cigarettes, drugs and/or alcohol during school or in attendance of a school-sponsored activity will be suspended or expelled without a refund of tuition. Any student coming to school or a school activity intoxicated or under the influence of drugs will be suspended or expelled immediately without a refund of tuition.

**Any illegal activity may result in suspension or expulsion from Meridian School without refund of tuition, even if it does not take place at or during school.**

### *Animals At School*

Students are prohibited from bringing animals to class. School approved activities that necessitate bringing a pet to school may only be brought to that activity.

### *Care of Facilities*

Students are responsible for the care and upkeep of their school. They share this responsibility with the administration and faculty for the condition of the building and grounds. Students are expected to pick up their own trash, keep the area around their lockers neat and clean and help those around them to do the same. Graffiti and damage to school property will not be tolerated. Students who damage school property will be responsible for full restitution.

### *Release Time Periods (i.e. Seminary)*

Meridian allows release time periods to students who desire to attend off-campus events such as seminary, classes not offered at Meridian, or lunch. When the student leaves the Meridian campus, it is with the understanding that Meridian is not liable for monitoring their safety or attendance at the off-campus function to which they should be attending. However, it is expected that the student will maintain the Meridian Honor Code standards and behavioral demerits may apply to misconduct in these circumstances.

## ***Conduct Referrals***

Each type of infraction will result in 1 to 10 demerits for the student, as determined by the teacher or administrator. Following are possible infractions and the number of demerits that are assigned for each:

1. Disrespectful behavior or refusal to cooperate = 1 demerit
2. Uniform violation = 1 demerit
3. Use of prohibited electronic device or cell phone = 1 demerit and confiscation
4. Chewing gum = 1 demerit
5. Tardy to class (unauthorized) = 1 demerit
6. Absent from class (unauthorized) = 2 demerits
7. Inappropriate language and/or gesture = 1-5 demerits
8. Inappropriate physical contact = 1-10 demerits
9. Dishonesty (lying, cheating, stealing, plagiarism) = 4-5 demerits
10. Damage to school property = 4-9 demerits and restitution
11. Illegal use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco = 10 demerits
12. Other: \_\_\_\_\_ = 1-10 demerits

Following is a list of consequences associated with the accrual of demerits:

- 4 demerits = student meets with Dean of Students.
- 5 demerits = lunch detention
- 6 demerits = lunch detention
- 7 demerits = lunch detention

8 demerits = student meets with parents and Dean of Students

9 demerits = lunch detention

10 demerits = possible suspension or expulsion

## **Suspension**

Students who violate the school codes and standards may be suspended by the Head of School, at his/her discretion. The consequences of suspension are as follows:

1. Mandatory meeting with parents and Head of School.
2. Zeroes on cheated, plagiarized or missed work.
3. Student will not be allowed to make up any class work or tests that are given during the suspension. Student's grade will be affected by the loss of work.
4. Participation in any school activity during suspension is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to athletic practices and games, drama performances, competitions, dances, etc.
5. Length of suspension depends upon the offense and the number of warnings a student has been given.
6. Student's permanent record may indicate the suspension from school for discipline.

## **Dismissal/Expulsion**

Students may be dismissed from the school for serious or repeated violations of the Code of Conduct, at the discretion of the Head of School. Students may make a written appeal to the School's Board of Directors within 5 days of dismissal. The Board of Directors will respond within 30 days and their disposition will be final. When a student is dismissed, there is no refund of tuition.

## ***Uniform Policy***

The purpose of the uniform policy is threefold: 1) encourages attention to a student's character and talents rather than to his/her appearance, 2) eliminates distractions in the classroom, and 3) establishes a sense of order and respect for the school and its community.

**Student Responsibility:** Students are expected to adhere to the uniform policy as outlined. If a student is out of uniform at any time during the day, he/she will be asked to comply with the uniform guidelines, and if needed, a phone call will be made to parents to assist in the matter. Middle and Upper School students who are out of uniform will be issued a conduct referral.

**Parent Responsibility:** Parents are expected to know the uniform policy and ensure their students are properly dressed for school. If parents are contacted regarding their student's uniform, they are expected to bring appropriate clothes to their child at school or make arrangements for them to go home to change.

**Teacher Responsibility:** First period teachers check uniform dress before they begin class. If a student is not in proper attire, they will be sent to the office to amend the problem. Teachers must enforce the uniform policy throughout the day. Middle and Upper School students out of uniform are not to be admitted to class until they are in full uniform. Teachers are expected to write a demerit for each student not in uniform and report it to the front office.

## ***Grooming Guidelines***

The appearance of the student body affects the environment of the entire school. Uniforms can contribute to a safe environment and the appropriate educational and moral climate. In addition to the uniform, students are expected to dress and groom in a neat, clean and modest fashion. Students are expected to maintain these standards while on campus, including before and after classes, and when representing the school during off-campus activities. Information about where uniform clothing can be purchased is available online. If there are any questions about the dress code, please contact the Dean of Students.

- **Grooming:** Uniforms must be kept clean and in good repair. Shoes and socks must be worn at all times while on campus.
- **Accessories:** Boys and girls may wear simple accessories, such as a watch, a ring, a bracelet, or a single necklace. Girls may also wear one pair of earrings or a single headband. No chains, spikes or dog collar necklaces or bracelets. Neither bandanas or nor neck scarves are not permitted as part of the uniform dress. Hats may not be worn in the school building, except on designated “hat days.” No visible body piercing is permitted (other than girls being allowed one set of pierced ears). Hair and face glitter are inappropriate dress during school hours.
- **Hairstyles:** Hairstyles must be conservative and should appropriately reflect the environment of the school. Haircuts and colors that are extreme are considered out of uniform and students will be required to change this appearance as soon as possible. Extreme hairstyles include, but are not limited to:
  1. Bright, unnatural colored hair
  2. Shaved heads; designs shaved into the haircut
  3. Long hair on boys (below chin length)
  4. Dreadlocked, unruly and unkempt hair
  5. Mohawks or long spiked hair (more than 3 inches)
  6. Any style that is distracting to other students

## ***Spirit Days & WOW Days***

**Spirit Day is held once a month, on the first Friday of the month.** Students have two choices:

First Choice:

- A Meridian School t-shirt (from any play, writing rally, etc. or bought from the school supply). The Meridian t-shirt does not have to be tucked in unless it is too long or too sloppy.
- Meridian School sweatshirts and hoodies are acceptable over a Meridian t-shirt.
- Blue denim jeans (not black, pink, green or any other color).
- Tennis shoes.

Second Choice: The Meridian School Uniform (see following charts).

**WOW (Wear Own Wardrobe) Day is held once a month, on the third Friday of the month.** This is a day when students may choose to wear regular clothes to school. Clothing must still be modest and appropriate for school activities. Additional WOW days may also be issued for special activities. Students will be notified of additional days in advance.



**MERIDIAN SCHOOL**  
*Lower School Uniform Requirements*  
**Kindergarten through Grade 6**

<p><b>Shirts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White Polo with Meridian Logo (logo required)</li> <li>• Red Polo</li> <li>• White or Red Turtleneck</li> <li>• White Blouse or Oxford Shirt</li> </ul>	<p>All shirts must be worn tucked in. Any shirt too small to tuck in is not uniform. Shirts should be in good repair, not too tight or too small.</p>
<p><b>Sweaters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy/Red Cardigan</li> <li>• Navy/Red Crew</li> <li>• Navy/Red V-Neck</li> <li>• Navy/Red V-Neck Vest</li> <li>• Meridian Green Hoodie</li> </ul>	<p>All students should have a sweater to wear at school on cold days. No embellishments or brand logos of other companies allowed.</p>
<p><b>Pants/Shorts/Jumpers/Skirts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy Chino Pants</li> <li>• Navy Chino Shorts</li> <li>• Navy Skort</li> <li>• Meridian (Marymount) Plaid Jumper</li> <li>• Meridian (Marymount) Plaid Skirts</li> <li>• Black/Navy/White/Red Leggings</li> </ul>	<p>Chino pants must be a plain style. Flares, cargos, denim or corduroy material are not acceptable.</p> <p>Girls' leggings are to be worn under the jumper only – not as pants. They must be tight fitting, actual leggings, not stretch pants.</p>
<p><b>Shoes &amp; Socks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loafers, lace-up, or buckle shoes in solid color: brown, black, navy or dark red.</li> <li>• Solid color socks in white, red, black or navy.</li> <li>• Solid color tights in white, red, black or navy.</li> </ul>	<p>Shoes must be closed toe and heel. Shoes with markings on them or more than one color are not acceptable. Light-up shoes, platform shoes, high heeled shoes, roller-skate shoes, roller skates or roller blades are never permitted.</p>
<p><b>Belts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leather or fabric belt in solid color: brown, black or navy.</li> </ul>	<p>A belt must be worn with pants at all times. No wide extravagant belts permitted. Exception is made for Kindergarteners who wear the elastic waist pant – no belt is needed.</p>

**Gym Clothes:** Gym clothes are not required for Lower School students. It is recommended that students have them as a change of clothes in case of an emergency. Students will have a place at the school to store them.

**MERIDIAN SCHOOL**  
*Middle & Upper School Uniform Requirements*  
**Grade 7 through Grade 12**

<p><b>Shirt</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White Polo with Meridian Logo (logo required)</li> <li>• Forest Green Polo (no logo required)</li> <li>• White Turtleneck</li> <li>• White Blouse or Oxford Shirt</li> </ul>	<p><b>For boys:</b> All shirts must be worn tucked in. A plain white t-shirt may be worn under the uniform shirt.</p> <p><b>For girls:</b> A same color tank may be worn under the uniform shirt. Polo shirts do not need to be tucked in, but blouses must be worn tucked in.</p>
<p><b>Pants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy Chino Pant</li> <li>• Khaki Chino Pant</li> </ul>	<p>Pants must have belt loops and a belt is required. Pants must be worn at the waist.  <u>No hip-huggers, flares, cargo or patch pockets.</u></p> <p>Denim or corduroy material is not acceptable.</p>
<p><b>Skirts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meridian (Marymount) Plaid – any style</li> <li>• Navy or Khaki Knife Pleat, Box Pleat, or Kick Pleat</li> </ul>	<p>All skirts must be worn at the waist and a modest length – <u>no skirt should be shorter than 1 inch above the knee.</u></p>
<p><b>Sweater</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy Cardigan</li> <li>• Navy Crew</li> <li>• Navy V-Neck</li> <li>• Navy V-Neck Vest</li> <li>• Meridian Green Hoodie</li> <li>• Letterman Jacket (US only)</li> </ul>	<p>All students should have a sweater to wear in the classrooms on cold days.</p> <p>No winter coats or non-Meridian jackets to be worn in classrooms.</p>
<p><b>Shoes &amp; Socks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loafer, buckle or lace-up (incl. athletic) shoes in solid color: brown, black, or navy.</li> <li>• Solid color socks (ankle or knee-high), tights or leggings (Capri or full length) only in white, black or navy.</li> </ul>	<p>Shoes must be closed toe and heel. Shoes with markings on them or more than one color are not acceptable. Light-up shoes, roller-skate shoes, roller skates or roller blades are never permitted.</p>
<p><b>Accessories</b></p> <p>Belts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leather or fabric in solid color: brown, black or navy.</li> </ul> <p>Ties or Suspenders (optional):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School or coordinating tie</li> <li>• Must be conservative in color and style.</li> </ul>	<p>A belt must be worn with pants. The school tie and coordinating ties are optional.</p>

