

Martin Luther School

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Dress Code Letter

Dear Students, Parents / Guardians,

Martin Luther School would like to wish you and your family a blessed summer. As you begin your summer shopping MLS would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the 2018 - 2019 Mandatory Dress Code and about **a couple of minor revisions** to the requirements. The school uniform and ONLY the school uniform may be worn in school. The uniform is to be worn properly at all times. *Notes will not be accepted for students out of uniform*, unless there is an extreme extenuating circumstance.

Wearing the school uniform plays an important role in establishing a positive community identity and contributes to the creation of an appropriate work ethic. Acceptance of enrollment at Martin Luther Middle and High School assumes an agreement between the parent/guardian and the enrolling student that the student will dress in accordance with the school's uniform policy. Students are to wear the designated coordinates to and from school and during school hours. Parents/guardians are asked to co-operate by ensuring that students wear their uniform to school each day.

Please review the dress code brochure enclosed. Purchase any of the listed items from **FlynnO'Hara** Uniforms shopping online, visiting the store or ordering over the phone. In addition please review the enclosed flyer regarding **Cougar Gear**.

The school collared shirt with MLS Logo (short or long sleeved) must be worn at all times. The only sweater/fleece worn is with the school logo. Cougar gear or team/drama extra gear may be worn but with a school collared shirt underneath.

Outerwear items are not allowed (coats, jackets, hats/caps/ bandanas/headbands/du rags or any other gear that may be considered in the hat category, scarves, gloves, **non-school sweatshirts/fleeces etc.**) must be secured in student's locker before the start of period one class and to remain there until dismissal.

Pants/skirts/ shorts (colors see FlynnO'Hara), black jeans (plain no patterns/designs, not ripped/torn/frayed, no studs/tags, string/ties, drapped legs or elastic ankle) must be of appropriate fit/length. Drooping or excessively tight clothing will not be tolerated. These are considered dress/business style. **The following are not substitutions for coordinates:** denim or jeans of any color except black; pants with 5-pocket/utility styling that may not be made of denim material but resemble jeans; joggers/ jogging style; athletic/sport; stretch; corduroy; cargo; pajama bottoms; spandex; leggings; patch pockets; slit hems; outside stitching; side zippers; studs; elastic/drapped ankles etc.

Black loafers/ black tie shoes/ black sneakers with black laces/straps, may be worn ONLY - must be ALL BLACK including sole with no other colors, logos or adornments. They must be closed toe and closed heels/back.

Note: students may wear other footwear to and from school but MUST change into school shoe before start of period 1 and wear until dismissal.

(NO other athletic shoes/ sneakers/slides/boots of any type; boat shoes; work boots Timberland; Uggs/ Ugg style boots; boot lookalikes; hiking shoes/boots; moccasins; shoes/sneakers that come above the bottom of the ankle; clogs; sandals; flip-flops; slippers; canvas; casual walking shoe etc).

Students will be instructed and reminded about these mandatory dress code policies during orientation.

The student in violation of the Dress Code will be given the chance to immediately self-correct the violation (corrected dress code). If this is not possible the student's parent will be called for a change of

dress/footwear. The student will receive a dress code violation and serve detention. Continued lack of compliance will result in additional disciplinary measures.

Throughout the year there will be special dress down days (Pep Rally, Dress Down, College, Spirit) each with specific guidelines and instructions. These will be communicated ahead of time.

If you have any questions please call me at 718-894-4000 ext.127 or e-mail aboyle@martinluthernyc.org.

Sincerely,

Ann Boyle

Assistant Principal – Dean of Students

****Students who register after September 1 will be given a ten (10) day grace period to comply with Martin Luther's Mandatory Uniform Policy.