# VMS Dress Code Guidelines

It's officially summer time and we know that many of you will be clothes shopping and getting ready for the upcoming school year. We have some slight changes to the dress code for this upcoming year; they will be highlighted in the dress code guidelines below. If you ever have any questions please feel free to email Dean Hall at <a href="mailto:ahall@vmc.net">ahall@vmc.net</a> so she can help.

As a reminder, we will use the first few days of school to clarify any questions the students have about dress code. For new students, we can clarify any questions you have at our orientation time. Dress code infractions will not be issued during the first few days of school as we trust our students will be trying their best to stay within our guidelines. If they do not we will issue a warning and trust that they be more careful the next time.

The Deans and the entire MS staff are looking forward to a wonderful 2019-2020 school year together!

Sincerely,

Dean Hall & Dr. Ennis

## MS DRESS CODE

#### SHIRTS/TOPS

## Permitted: Monday-Friday

- Shirts with **no words or letters** (no messages, no brand names, etc.)
- Shirts with modest necklines and appropriate coverage of undergarments
- VMS shirts, Christian camp shirts, and Christian messages shirts
- Shirts received during a field trip (example: Operation Christmas Child or Long Beach Aquarium)
- Sweatshirts/jackets with **no words or letters** (no messages); exception \*brand name or logo no larger than 4"x4"

## Not permitted:

- You cannot wear:
  - 1. Midriff baring tops
  - 2. Sleeveless tops/tank tops
  - 3. Tops that show your shoulders or fall off of your shoulders
  - 4. Backless shirts
  - 5. Strapless shirts
  - 6. Tops/shirts that show your undergarments

## SHORTS, SKIRTS, & PANTS

#### Permitted

• Shorts that have a 5" inseam – please measure (so we don't have to) ©

- Skirts that measure 5" from the knee if kneeling on the ground (please measure so we don't have to) ©
- Pants, jeans, and loose-fitting sweatpants
- Leggings worn under a long tunic shirt or under a dress/skirt only

#### No permitted

- Leggings/yoga pants/tight sports pants that are worn with a shirt/blouse that is too short and does not come to mid-thigh
- Leggings under shorts that are too short
- Excessively baggy pants or shorts
- Pajama bottoms (unless it is a Spirit Day)
- Ripped jeans
- Short shorts
- Short skirts

#### HAIR & OTHER THINGS TO NOTE

- Hair color and style must not be distracting (no Mohawks for examples; hair color must be a natural color) If a student comes to school with a non-natural hair color he/she will have 48 hours to re-dye their hair to a natural color.
- Clothing should cover underwear (bras, boxers, etc.)
- Shoes that have laces must be worn & tied properly at all times.
- Heels may not exceed 1 ½ inches at school \*Exceptions to this could be at MS Dances, Graduation, etc.
- No black scuffing shoes in the gym
- Body piercings are not allowed. Earrings on girls are ok. Earrings on boys are not allowed.



