Students are required to be dressed according to the Mount Carmel Area Dress Code Policy (#221.) Please see below for general guidelines of policy #221.

1. General Guidelines

The following items are prohibited:

- Leggings
- Spandex
- Yoga Pants
- Pajama Pants
- Denim blue jeans
- Sweatpants or Wind Pants are not allowed
- Any type of clothing or pants that is distressed, has holes, tears and/or has rips - even if they are purchased with these characteristics - are not allowed. (See #11 Below)

Our district looks for certain characteristics to define what is considered "pants." Pants must have ***one or more of the following*** *to be defined as such:*

- Back pockets
- Front pockets
- Front zipper
- Area for a belt
- Cargo side pockets are not allowed.
- Pants with side leg pockets for cell phones are not allowed

**** *Elementary students can wear sweatpants or athletic shorts on gym days.*

2. Any solid color long or short sleeve golf shirt, button down dress shirt, crew neck, V-neck with or without approved school logo may be worn (No tank tops or midriff tops that expose the skin).

3. Slacks, shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses, and jumpers of any solid color are allowed and should rest on the student hip. Only solid stockings can be worn (i.e. no holes or fishnet stockings allowed). Slacks and shorts cannot be baggy, low rise, or cargo style

NEW: Staff will use the following guide to determine proper length: Shorts/skirts and dresses may be worn if they are the same length as the longest finger-tip when shoulders, arms, hands, and fingers are in a normal, relaxed hanging position by the sides of the body. This standard shall be used to determine the appropriate length of shorts/skirts and dresses, but should be applied in consideration of a student's

physical stature. Again the item should be resting on the hip of the student, not below when being measured.

4. Any MCA affiliated shirts or sweatshirts without hoods of any kind are permitted, but must include MCA, Mount Carmel Area, or a Tornado Logo.

5. MCA shirts or sweatshirts without hoods can also be worn that represent an MCA athletic team, club, or activity. Shirts from NCCTC are permitted.

6. Hooded shirts of any kind are prohibited.

7. Hats, bandanas, headbands, gloves, chains, and belts with protruding pointed studs, are not permitted.

8. Studded jewelry or studded accessories of any kind are prohibited.

9. **NEW**: 3x3 brand logos (ex: Nike, Adidas) are allowed on shorts, pants, and shirts. No other logo or image is allowed on these items except for MCA school related items. See below "Notes" section for more details. ***Yes, we will be measuring if the logo is 3x3 inches. Please be prepared when school shopping.***

10. Open-toed sandals (flip flops) and/or open-heeled footwear (bedroom slippers) of any kind **are prohibited.**

11. **NEW** – No holes, rips, tears of any kind are permitted in pants or other clothing items even if the item is purchased with these characteristics.

12. Jeans are not permitted on gym days at the elementary school.

13. Corduroy is permitted.

14. Leather clothing is not permitted.

15. No shoulder bags of any shape or size are permitted.

16. Wristlets no more than 5 inches x 8 inches may be carried.

17. Underclothing is not permitted to be seen through outer clothing.

18. See-through clothing is not permitted.

19. Gloves or outerwear coats are not permitted in school unless approved by the

principal due to temperature in the classroom.

20. Any clothing items must be reviewed and approved by the administration before they are advertised, sold, or worn as dress code approved apparel.

New students entering the district shall be granted a grace period of **(1 week)** before being required to conform with the dress code.

Principals can use their discretion to designate specific days that permit students to wear other types of clothing.

Students coming to school in violation of the dress code & changing after being reported to the administration will upon the: first offense receive a warning & call home, second offense: lunch detention & call home, third offense: parent meeting & after school detention. Subsequent offense will result in possible suspension.

The following are prohibited even on **dress down days**:

1. Hooded shirts of any kind.
2. Baggy, low rise, or cargo style slacks or shorts.
3. Leggings or yoga pants
4. Pajama pants
5. Shorts, skirts, skorts, or dresses that are more than 4 inches above the knee.
6. Tank tops or midriff tops that expose the skin.
7. Hats, bandanas, gloves, chains, and belts with protruding pointed studs.
8. Studded jewelry or studded accessories of any kind.
9. Flip flops and sport sandals ("Slides") of any kind.
10. No holes, rips, or tears allowed on any clothing item even if purchased with these characteristics.
11. Leather clothing.
12. See-through clothing or underclothing that can be seen through outer clothing.
13. Fishnet or non-solid stockings.
14. Clothing with offensive statements or logos deemed inappropriate by the administration or that causes an undue disruption to the learning environment.

Jeans, athletic clothing, and clothing with logos are all permitted on dress down days as long as they are not in violation of another existing rule. (Ex. mutilation, etc.)

Any student who violates the dress code/school standard dress code policy shall be subject to the following:

First offense: Notify parent/guardian and have them bring in appropriate clothing or dress code appropriate clothing will be provided to the student to change into. The student will remain in the In-School Suspension (ISS) room until proper attire is provided by parent/guardian or if the student refuses to change into district provided clothing.

Second offense: Parent/Guardian meeting is required. The student will remain in the ISS room and be assigned detention.

Third offense: Parent/Guardian meeting required. Out-of-school suspensions will occur.

Repeated violations of the standard dress code shall be treated as defiance of authority as noted in the discipline policy.

NOTES:

<u>NEW Allowed:</u> Logo is 3x3 inches and no other verbiage or logo is on the shirt.

<u>Not Allowed:</u> Nike Logo is 3x3 inches but also has <u>non approved</u> MCA Logo.

<u>Allowed:</u> Shirt has 3x3 logo <u>and</u> has approved MCA Logo.

<u>Not allowed:</u> Logo is larger than 3x3 inches:

<u>Not allowed:</u> due to side “cargo” pockets:

<u>Not Allowed:</u> Logo is 3x3 inches but are sweatpants:

<u>Not Allowed:</u> Blue denim jeans AND are distressed with holes.