

Uniform Dress Code

Manatee School For the Arts requires all students to wear a uniform. Uniforms are worn during the school day while on campus and at all school sponsored activities off campus. Any exceptions for particular events will be announced in advance. Beall's Department Store is the official supplier of uniforms for MSA. School Uniforms must be purchased in the uniform department only at the Beall's in Fountain Court Center, 6355 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 34209. Their phone number is 761-1606. Not all items may be available at all times. However, if you visit the store and do not find what you are looking for, make sure to ask if they have additional stock in the back. You can also order most items through their computerized system in the store. Delivery is free to your house. Also be aware that pants alterations are available free of charge.

Middle School Uniforms

Shirts: Polo style with band on sleeve

Colors- burgundy and hunter green with orange/red logo and white lettering

Fabric- poly cotton blend- smooth or pique blend

Oxford cloth shirt-long and short sleeve

Color- white with orange/red logo with blue lettering

T-shirt- allowed on **Fridays only**

Color- ash gray with MSA logo

MSA production/department shirts or community theater/dance production t-shirts

Shirts must be sized to fit, long enough to stay tucked in with arms raised straight above the head.

Long sleeved shirt may be worn under uniform shirts, but must be white, black or navy blue and cannot have a hood or pattern of any kind.

Jackets: Hooded zipper front sweatshirt

Color- black with white MSA logo

Bottoms: Jumper: Flat seamed patch pocket or zipper front in colors navy and Khaki

Pants: Uniform style -no patch pockets and must have belt loops in colors navy and khaki

Shorts: Uniform style -no patch pockets in colors navy and khaki

Skorts: Uniform style in colors navy and khaki

Skirt: Uniform style- no patch pockets, ruffles or scalloped edges: in colors navy and Khaki

Skirts, Skorts, shorts, etc. must be no shorter than a soda can height above the knee (measured from the kneecap)

Pants must fit properly; they cannot be overly tight or baggy. No slit seams.

Belts: Must be worn and not extra long

Please Note - Pants, shorts and other items similar to uniform bottoms are often available at other stores. However, the following are not permitted:

- ❖ No labels or brand names showing
- ❖ No patch pockets, no rivets, no flared or tapered legs and no sliced seams
- ❖ No seams down the middle of the legs
- ❖ No Jean style seams (double stitched)
- ❖ No clingy or jersey materials, must be a cotton blend
- ❖ No pants designed to fit below the waist
- ❖ No pants or shorts without belts loops

General Rules for Middle School Uniforms

- ❖ **Uniform guidelines are to be followed at all times**
- ❖ Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- ❖ Shorts and pants may not be rolled up or down
- ❖ Shirt sleeves may not be rolled up
- ❖ **Uniform shirts, jackets and pants are not to be altered in any way**
- ❖ Uniforms with tears, holes, written on or other damage may not be worn
- ❖ No capri or stretch pants are allowed
- ❖ No long belts, no suspenders or straps hanging off bottoms, no ties, scarves, ribbons, etc. around neck or waist
- ❖ Shoes are to be worn at all times (except in those classes that require otherwise)
- ❖ No open backed shoes (no flip-flops or slippers)- straps or backs of shoes must be worn around heel at all times.
- ❖ No spiked jewelry, dog collars, handcuffs, safety pins or bandanas
- ❖ No jewelry depicting handcuffs, guns, bullets, illegal substances or symbols of a sexual nature
- ❖ No chains or chain wallets; key chains and keys must be kept in pocket, not hanging from belt loops
- ❖ No exposed body piercing other than ears, including tongue, nose, eyebrow, lip etc.
- ❖ No exposed tattoos
- ❖ Backpacks are not allowed however small purses or bags may be carried
- ❖ Non-uniform jackets or sweaters may not be worn in school
- ❖ No sunglasses (on face or head)
- ❖ No hats, tiaras, crowns, head scarves, goggles, costume ears or head band with attachments
- ❖ No Jackets or sweaters tied around waist
- ❖ No spiked hair stiff enough to create a safety hazard
- ❖ No toys– this includes pacifiers, leis, stuffed animals, Mardi Gras beads, etc.

Uniforms for Dance and TKD- Information on required uniforms will be available from the appropriate teacher. Do not purchase clothing prior to notice.

NOTE: Individual faculty may request a student to alter his/her clothing, accessories, make-up, etc. if it is distracting to the teacher or other students in the class. If the student declines to comply, the teacher should call the discipline office for assistance.

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High School Uniforms

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Fabric-poly cotton blend

Oxford cloth shirt-long and short sleeve

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Long sleeve shirts may be worn under uniform shirts, but must be a solid color and have no pattern of any kind and cannot have a hood.

Jackets: Hooded zipper front sweatshirt

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Bottoms: High school students choose their own bottoms with the following guidelines:

Solid color only-no stripes or patterns of any kind

Pants must be sized to fit-not oversized or baggy, nor overly tight

Pants may not drag on the ground

Pants must have a hem and no frayed edges

No split seams

No stretch, spandex or other body hugging material

No overalls, sweat pants or athletic shorts

Capril pants may be worn but cannot be spandex, stretch or body hugging materials

Skirts, skorts, shorts, etc. must be no shorter than a soda can height above the knee (measured from the kneecap)

Belts: Must be worn with bottoms that have belt loops:

General Rules for High School Uniforms

- ❖ **Uniform rules are to be followed at all times**
- ❖ Uniform shirts and jackets are not to be altered in any way
- ❖ Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- ❖ Shirtsleeves may not be rolled up
- ❖ Uniforms that have been written on may not be worn
- ❖ Uniforms or bottoms that have tears, holes or other damage may not be worn
- ❖ No long belts
- ❖ No suspenders or straps hanging off bottoms
- ❖ Shoes are to be worn at all times (except in those classes that require otherwise). No slippers
- ❖ No stretch or spandex may be worn outside of dance class (no sweatpants or pajama bottoms)
- ❖ No spiked jewelry, dog collars, handcuffs, safety pins or bandanas
- ❖ No jewelry depicting handcuffs, guns, bullets, illegal substances or symbols of a sexual nature
- ❖ Visible tattoos must not be offensive or distracting (decided at discretion of administration)
- ❖ No ties, scarves ribbons, etc. around neck
- ❖ Key chains should be kept in pocket, not hanging from belt loops
- ❖ No exposed body piercing other than ear- this includes nose, tongue, lip, eyebrow, etc.
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