

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

RM Prep enforces our uniform policy. Wearing a clean and complete uniform sends two important messages: school is important, and appearance is important.

- Through uniforms, we attempt to eliminate all distractions to learning.
- The uniform must be worn throughout the school day
- Scholars are to enter and leave the school in uniform
- Changing clothes at school, unless for a school sponsored activity, is not allowed
- Scholars who come to school without the proper uniform will face disciplinary consequences and/or be sent home. Scholars may be reinstated the same day if they return with the proper uniform.
- The School’s Uniform Dress Code shall strive to achieve full compliance through use of positive reinforcement measures and will resort to corrective action only when positive measures fail to ensure compliance.

Our School Uniform Consist Of The Following:

Grade Level	Polo Shirt Color	Pant/ Skirt Color
Kindergarten- 5 th grade	Navy Blue	Khaki/Navy
6 th - 8 th	Royal Blue	Khaki/Navy
9 th - 12 th	Light Blue	Khaki/Navy

Shirts

- Scholars in grades K-5 wear navy blue short-sleeve or long-sleeve polo shirts.
- Scholars in grades 6-8 wear royal blue short-sleeve or long-sleeve polo shirts.
- Scholars in grades 9-12 wear light blue short or long- sleeve polo shirts.
- Only white, long or short sleeve T- shirts may be worn under the shirts; however, long sleeve white t-shirts must not be worn with short sleeve polo shirts.
- Girls must wear a polo shirt under a jumper skirt that does not have sleeves.
- Shoulders and midriffs should not be visible.
- **Shirts must fit appropriately, be clean, and tucked in at all times.**

Bottoms

- Boys are expected to wear navy or khaki pants, or shorts, and girls must wear navy or khaki pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or jumpers.
- Skirts and shorts must hang no more than three inches above the knee.
- No plaid jumpers will be allowed.
- Pants must fit, be appropriately sized, and worn at the waist.
- Tight-fitting shorts, sweat pants, denim pants, jeggings, spandex, and leggings worn as pants are not allowed.
- Bottoms must not have holes, rips or tears.
- Pant must be at the waistline and above the hips.

Outerwear

- Sweaters or sweatshirts that are oversized and/or have emblems, logos, stripes, or designs are not acceptable.
- Solid colored vests are allowed. Vests should be the same color as the school shirt colors.
- Sweaters and sweatshirts must be solid colors and be the same colors as the school shirt colors.
- Sunglasses are not allowed in the school building.
- They are not to be worn on the top of the heads or visible hanging out of pockets or on shirts.

Undergarments

- Undergarments should not be visible through the uniform or outside of the uniform.

Shoes

- Any closed toed shoe is acceptable. No “slides” are allowed.
- Heels should be no higher than approximately two inches.
- Students must wear the same color shoe on each foot.
- No steel toed or heavy boots, open-heeled shoes, open-toe or open-heel sandals, flip-flops, bedroom slippers, or shower shoes are allowed.
- Shoestrings and shoe straps must be attached and worn properly.
- Boots must be worn with the pant legs over the boots.
- Hard (or rubberized) sole shoes may be worn.

Socks

- Socks must be black, grey, brown, white, or navy blue (all Solid Colors).
- Socks must be worn under the pant leg at all times.
- Females may wear tights or hosiery under appropriate clothing.
- Tights will be black, white, navy blue, or brown only (all solid colors).
- Textured or fishnet hosiery/tights will not be allowed.

Belts

- Scholars are required to wear a belt if loops are on their pants, shorts, or skirts.
- Plain black or plain brown belts with a standard belt buckle must be worn with the uniform.
- Belts shall be worn through the belt loops.
- Belts cannot exceed 6 inches in length from the buckle when buckled.
- Initial belts, wrap belts, message/blinking belts, studded, decorative, chain, or oversized buckle belts are not permitted.
- Belts must fit through all loops on a garment.

Headgear

- No headgear, including sweat bands, wave caps, bonnets, hoodies, baseball caps, etc. are permitted unless for religious or medical reasons.
- Combs, picks, brushes, rags and scarves are inappropriate and will be confiscated if worn.
- Females may wear hair accessories such as ponytail holders and scrunchies.

Dress Code Violations

Offense Level	Description of Offense	
First Offense	Scholars did not adhere to the school uniform dress code.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scholars will be informed that they have violated the policy. 2. They will be given the opportunity to change into acceptable clothing by using available clothes at school or (Parents will be contacted if the school does not have clothing available for the scholar if the scholar refuses to accept school clothing) 3. As a warning, scholars parent will be notified of uniform dress code policy 4. Root Cause Analysis. Identifying the barriers 5. Document in Educator’s Handbook
Second Offense	A second infraction of the policy will be considered as defiance . In addition to the disciplinary actions available for a first offense, a parent/guardian conference will be held.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scholars will be informed that they have violated the policy. 2. They will be given the opportunity to change into acceptable clothing by using available clothes at school or (Parents will be contacted if the school does not have clothing available for the scholar if the scholar refuses to accept school clothing) 3. Parent Conference 4. Document in Educator’s Handbook
Third (and additional) Offense(s)	A third or additional infraction of the policy shall be categorized as a Category I Offense as outlined in the Rocky Mount Prep Scholar Code of Conduct and subject to the consequences outlined, including out-of-school suspension. Disciplinary action may vary when a scholar has a record of other scholar	

	conduct violations during the current school year.	
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Where to Purchase Uniforms

For your convenience, RMP has partnered with Belk to set up convenient and affordable uniforms with our school’s specific policy. Uniforms are available in all sizes at Belk located at Golden East Crossing, 1100 N Wesleyan Boulevard, Suite 9101, Rocky Mount, NC 27804.

Other retail locations are feasible options and are equally acceptable when purchasing uniforms. For a list of approved uniform choices, parents can visit our “Uniform Guide” at rmprep.org.

Dress Code for Remote Learning

For remote learning, scholars will have a standard mode of dress (smod). Anything visible on camera must be appropriate. (No sleeveless shirts, No hoods or hats, No low-cut blouses/shirts, No graphic/vulgar/offensive attire)

Background must be free of distraction (No inappropriate photos, limited traffic, limited/no access noise, music/television/cell phones). Virtual backgrounds that are appropriate for learning.

Uniforms will be required when we return to face-to-face learning.