

## Palma Dress Code 2022-23 School Year

Palma's Dress Code is updated annually for any revisions deemed necessary for the following school year. The dress code is in effect on the Palma campus from 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. The attire of students and the pride they show in their appearance contributes greatly to their performance in and out of class and to the respect they earn. This pride in being a gentleman and a student at Palma is well worth preserving and fostering. The Palma dress code applies to all Palma students, including those students who have the privilege of representing Palma in an academic/extracurricular setting or in the wearing of a Palma uniform on an athletic team, even during vacation times of Thanksgiving, Christmas, Winter Break, and/or Easter. Palma pride in student conduct and appearance is on display for all.

1. Camouflage clothing of any kind will not be permitted unless it is displayed on a college-approved sweatshirt. Camouflage sweatshirts, shirts, pants, shorts, backpacks, etc., are not permitted for students to wear at Palma during school hours.
2. Button-down or zip flannel shirts, with or without hoods, cannot be worn as jackets or outerwear at Palma during school hours.
3. Shirts are to be of the polo style variety and size appropriate; no other button-down shirts are permitted, unless worn with a tie and the shirt is tucked in; undershirts are not to be observed at the bottom of the un-tucked polo-styled shirt. Polo shirts worn over hooded sweatshirts are not permitted.
4. Pull-over sweat shirts (hoodies) are permitted only if they 1) prominently bear the official, Palma logo/monogram and/or are "Palma issued" or 2) display the name of an accredited college/university, and 3) are size appropriate. Other brand logos or sweatshirts with nothing on them are not permitted.
5. No denim/jeans, pants or jackets or their look-alikes; only khakis-styled slacks, cords or Dockers-styled slacks, size appropriate, are allowed and are to be worn at the waist; dress shorts or cargo shorts (not athletic, beach, or play shorts) may be worn in place of the usual school dress slacks. Sweats or golf rain pants are not permitted at any time.
6. Footwear should be neat and clean. They may be formal, semi-formal, or athletic. Sandals, slippers, moccasins, or full-sized boots are not allowed; socks must be worn so as to be clearly visible.
7. Hair styles should always be clean and neat and well-groomed, not extending below the top of a normal shirt collar nor below the ear, nor below the eyebrows, with no striping, no shaved and/or hair engraving, no pony tails, no other extreme hair styles (i.e. no skin-cuts, no mohawks, no excessive hair styles) and hair must be the student's natural color. Students are to start each day on campus clean-shaven; sideburns are not to go beyond the bottom of the earlobe; beards and goatees are not permitted. Students who do not meet these requirements may be: 1) suspended until properly groomed; and/or 2) may be fined a penalty of \$1.00 for any/each infraction.
8. Hats, hoods, and beanies (stocking caps) are not to be worn on campus; the Director of Student Life will permit exceptions where reasonably justified by cold weather. No head/hair bands may be worn during the academic school day.
9. Jewelry, studded belts and/or wrist bands, expensive watches, etc., should not be worn or brought to school. Earrings and/or other body piercings (nose, lip, tongue, eyebrow, etc.) and/or tattoos are not to be worn on campus or by a Palma student in or at a school-sponsored event, activity or athletics.
10. Clothing worn at Palma is not to carry inappropriate messages nor be of the types that reflect commercial businesses, sex, drugs, alcohol, or gang activity nor be suggestive, lewd, sexist, or culturally insensitive in appearance and/or words. This includes clothing, whether it be worn outside or visible under a shirt, anytime on campus or at a school activity, including events off the Palma campus.
11. Undergarments are not to be purposely exposed.
12. Students participating in physical education classes are required to wear and maintain a clean Palma P.E. uniform (shirt and shorts) in class and are encouraged to wash up at the conclusion of the class.
13. Student book bags and/or backpacks are to be maintained in a clean and graffiti-free manner.

Palma's Dress Code applies to all Palma students, from the very first day of student orientations through and including exams and graduation, unless a student is involved in a Palma-sanctioned academic/extracurricular activity. Violations of this dress code are subject to discipline, which may include detention up to and including immediate suspension from school.

It is the responsibility of each student to follow the Palma School Dress Code and the responsibility of parents to support this Dress Code. The final judge of respectability and compliance is the Director of Student Life. If you or your son finds this dress code in conflict with your family/religious beliefs, please contact the Director of Student Life right away to appeal to him for his authorization of possible exceptions.