

# **MHS ORCHESTRAS**

## **CONCERT DRESS GUIDELINES**

For many of our performances, we dress in a more uniform manner in order to look professional and to keep from distracting audience members from our great sound.

### **SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Option 1: Tux coat (provided by the school—do not take these home with you)  
Vest (provided by school)  
Bow tie (provided by school or bring your own)  
**White** button shirt (pleated tux shirt preferred, regular white shirt OK)  
**Black** dress pants (no black jeans or cords--Dockers are OK)  
**Black** socks or hosiery  
**Black** closed-toe dress shoes (no black tennies or the like)

Option 2: **Black** dress pants  
Appropriate **black** shirt (long sleeved is better)  
Optional Orchestra Wrap (provided by school)  
Optional splash of **red**  
**Black** socks or hosiery  
**Black** closed-toe dress shoes

### **SINFONIA & CARDINAL ORCHESTRA**

All musicians: **White** or **Black** dress shirt (long sleeved is better)  
If white shirt, then consider a long tie or bow tie (red is nice, other colors OK)  
**Black** dress pants (try to avoid black jeans or cords--Dockers are OK)  
Optional splash of **red**  
**Black** socks or hosiery  
**Black** closed-toe dress shoes (no black tennies or the like)

### **FOR ALL MUSICIANS**

Keep your shoes on while you are on stage  
No flip-flops or sandals—all shoes are close-toe  
No skirts or dresses  
*No more than 1" heel*

### **GENERAL GUIDING PRINCIPALS**

Dress not to call attention to the individual  
Err on the side of conservative  
It is easier to act and play professionally when you dress the part