



2019

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION GOWNS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Mercy High School graduation is a long-standing tradition and point of pride, as well as the formal culmination of your daughter's Mercy education. We ask each graduate to wear a floor length **white gown** for this formal occasion. For the dignity of the celebration, please keep in mind body type, comfort and modesty when selecting your gown.

These guidelines will be helpful:

- Dress must be white (not ivory, off white, etc. including trims)
- Dress may be sleeveless as long there are two straps at least two inches in width
- Dress may *not* be strapless, backless, heavily beaded, off the shoulders, one strap, mermaid or high/low style
- Dress may *not* show cleavage
- Dress may *not* have slits in the front, back or sides
- Dress may *not* have a train
- No clingy, stretch material will be allowed

Also, please be aware of the following requirements:

- **White dress shoes** are required (no sneakers, Birkenstocks, etc.)
- Graduates may *not* wear shawls, hats or other accessories
- Long slips or extra lining recommended (Opera House lighting may make dresses see-through)

In order to participate in the graduation ceremony, every student must have her white graduation gown approved by me, Dr. Cheryl Kreger or my assistant, Mrs. Marlene Wojcik. You are welcome to bring your choice of dress to the Advancement Office for approval at any time during the school year, but it must be approved by graduation rehearsal on May 28, 2019.

Keep in mind that now is the time to begin looking for a gown or buying the material and pattern to have it made. Please do not wait until May. We have provided a website, www.UWDress.com and the following style numbers: D42268, D01073, D73928, D80685, D92678, D84888, D19673, D02487, and D23311 to show what types of gowns are appropriate.

We look forward to a beautiful graduation ceremony!

Sincerely,

Cheryl Delaney Kreger, Ed. D.
President

Angela Harris-Schultheis and Christa Polan
Senior Class Moderators