MERCY HIGH SCHOOL 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 an ankle or floor length white gown** for this formal occasion. For the dignity of the celebration, keep in mind your dress style should be comfortable and modest. Please use the following guidelines when selecting the gown:

- Dress must be white, not ivory or off white including trims
- Dress may be sleeveless as long as there are two straps at least two inches in width.
- Dress may not be halter style, strapless, backless, heavily beaded, off the shoulders, one strap 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
- Dress may not be form fitting or so tight as to restrict movement

Also, please be aware of the following guidelines and recommendations:

- White dress shoes are required (no Birkenstocks, Doc Martins, Tennis shoes, Boots, or Converse All Stars))
- Graduates may not wear shawls, hats, or other accessories
- Long slips are strongly recommended due to stage lighting

If you have any question, please ask. You are also invited to bring the gown in to be approved. <u>Please keep in mind that now is the time to begin looking</u> for the gown or buying the material and pattern and having it made. Do not wait until May! We have provided a website and style numbers below to show what kind of gowns are appropriate.

www.UWDress.com

Style numbers: D42268, D01073, D73928, D80685, D92678, D874888, D19673, D02487

The administration and staff of Mercy High School look forward to a beautiful graduation ceremony with your assistance.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Delaney Kreger, Ed. D.

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President