

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, please keep in mind body type for comfort and modesty and use the following guidelines when selecting a graduation dress:

- Dress must be <u>white</u> (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 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
- 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 Dr. Cheryl Kreger or her 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 29, 2018.

Keep in mind that now is the time to begin looking for the gown or buying the material and pattern to have it made. Please do not wait until May. We have provided a website and style numbers below to show what kind of gowns are appropriate.

UWDress.com Style Numbers: D42268, D01073, D73928, D80685, D92678, D84888, D19673, D02487

If there are any financial concerns, please contact the President's Office for assistance.

We look forward to a beautiful graduation ceremony!

Sincerely,

Cheryl Delaney Kreger, Ed. D. President

Angela Harris-Schultheis, Christa Polan, Cindy Richter Senior Class Moderators