**Blanche Ely High School Medical Science Magnet Program Medical Science Magnet Program Dress Code Policy 2024 -2025**

**Dress Code Rationale:**

The Medical Science Magnet Program students have the responsibility to learn and observe the basic standards of appropriate dress, personal cleanliness, modesty, and good grooming. Medical Science students, by the nature of their chosen vocation(s) are required to wear a specified uniform and other items of dress which are not offensive or hazardous to the health and safety of themselves or others.

The dress code for all students enrolled in Blanche Ely High School Medical Science Magnet Program must be strictly followed and will be rigorously enforced. How our students comport themselves is reflective of the School and the Medical Science Magnet Program’s reputation and standing in Broward County Public Schools and the community.

Each student is expected to **always maintain a Bottom of Form**

**professional image especially** **when in uniform.**

1. **Daily Personal Cleanliness should include:**

* Bathing (free from body odor).
* Use of a suitable, fragrance-free deodorant, aftershave, hairspray, or other scented products must not be worn (may not be well tolerated by patients with respiratory issues and other health problems).
* All uniforms must be freshly laundered and wrinkle-free, shoes polished, and laces clean.
* Good oral hygiene
* Nails must be scrupulously maintained with clean fingertip length nails (to protect the client from scratches, gloves from tearing and harboring germs).
* Only clear colorless nail polish is permitted. No artificial nails or other adornments are to be worn. These include and are not limited to acrylics, gels, silk wraps, fingernail jewelry, and adhesive fingernail decorations. Some clinical rotations may require all nail polish to be removed. Wearing nail polish and acrylic nails are prohibited because of infection control issues.

1. **Hair:**

* Hair must be clean.
* Style and coloring should be natural colors and professional. No Mohawks!
* Worn above the collar appropriately arranged or restrained and if long, away from the face, so that it does not fall forward or into work area, or brush across clients.
* Hair pieces may be worn if clean, conservative, and secure.
* Neutral color conservative devices may be used to secure hair. No bows, beads, large bands, or ornaments may be worn, bands if worn must be less than 1-inch diameter.
* Dreadlocks and braids must be clean, well-groomed, off the collar, neutral color and arranged or restrained so that it does not fall forward.

1. **Facial Hair:**

* Beards – clean, neatly trimmed and not more than one inch in length.
* Mustaches – clean, neatly trimmed and not to extend beyond the upper lid level.
* Sideburns – trimmed, evenly tapered and not to extend lower than the earlobe.

1. **Tattoos:**

* To conform with the policies of clinical facilities
* Visible tattoos are to be covered when in clinical settings.

1. **Cosmetics Make-Up:**

* Conservative, natural-looking face, and eye make-up
* No false eyelashes
* Cologne and perfume are not to be worn.

1. **Jewelry:** (In clinical settings, agency policy must be followed)

* Rings: none with exception of wedding band
* Earrings: one ball-type per earlobe (no hoops or dangling). The size is limited to ¼ inch in diameter or smaller (white, yellow, or silver) and conservative in style.
* Bracelets, necklaces, ornaments, or anklets are not to worn.
* Body piercing – earlobe earrings only may be worn. No jewelry to be worn in other areas including eyebrows, tongues, and lip among other areas that may be visible.
* Gauges are not acceptable.

1. **Glasses:**

* Sunglasses or dark glasses may not be worn in the classroom or clinical area unless prescribed by a physician or optometrist.

1. **Uniforms:**

* Uniforms are to be worn daily (Monday – Friday)
* Uniforms can be purchased and embroidered through Ella’s Uniforms: [www.ellauniforms.com](http://www.ellauniforms.com). Program embroidery on left upper front near the shoulder.
* Blanche Ely High School identification badge must be always worn while on campus and in the clinical facilities. Per clinical facility, “NO ID: NO ENTRY.”
* Short sleeves with V-neck: Grades 9 and 10 – Hunter Green; Grades 11/12 – Navy (EKG and PCT); and Grade 12/LPN: Eggplant
* Two front pockets
* All uniforms should fit to allow for comfortable sitting, bending, etc.

1. **Undershirts:** (optional)

* White only, no long johns
* Short sleeve or sleeveless, tucked in, follow facility’s policy.
* Short sleeve should not be visible at arms or below uniform.
* Approved long sleeve white shirts may be used to cover tattoos or for warmth.

1. **Pants:**

* Length of pants to cover ankles not to drag on floor or hems frayed
* Cuffed ankles not allowed.
* Pull-on, elastic or draw string waist, slash pockets worn at the waist, no undergarments showing.

1. **Lab Jacket or Fleece Jacket:**

* White, jacket length, with long sleeves, or zippered fleece jacket
* No hooded garments
* Program emblems (optional) on left upper front near the shoulder
* Long enough to cover uniform top
* Must not be worn during patient care or in laboratory settings
* A lab jacket or a fleece jacket is the ONLY acceptable garment to be worn over uniforms.

1. **Socks:**

* White length must be above ankle or knee socks
* No short socks to be worn

1. **Stockings or Pantyhose:**

* Stockings (white or neutral) must be clean and free of runs or holes

1. **Shoes:**

* All black non-porous (leather or leather-like)
* Must be clean and in good repair
* Non-skid soles
* Clogs, Crocs, high-tops, fabric shoes or plastic are not permitted.
* Shoes should fit to allow for comfortable walking, sitting, bending, etc.

1. **Required Accessories: Practical Nursing Program Students**

* Watch with sweep/second hand. No metal bands allowed.
* School photo ID according to school policy. Must be worn at all times
* Black ball-point pen to conform to health record guidelines
* Black permanent marker
* Penlight
* No. 2 pencils for test taking.
* Data storage device, such as flash drive-compatible with school computers(suggested)
* Wear a smile each day! (As requested by the Practical Nursing Advisory)
* Failure to comply with any part of the Medical Science Professional Attire Policy will be subject to dismissal from the program.
* Lost clinical rotation time will not be rescheduled, and no credit hours will be allotted; a uniform violation warning may be issued.
* A student may receive **one warning** regarding a policy violation in any area listed above.
* A second policy violation in any area listed above may result in removal from the program.
* Once a student is notified of violating the Medical Science *Professional Attire Policy*, the student is expected to immediately correct the violation.

**At all times, the Agency policy supersedes school policy if the requirements are more stringent.**

I have read the Blanche Ely High School Medical Science Magnet Program’s Dress Code Policy and have a clear understanding of the policy requirements. I have also discussed the expectations of the policy with my student and have indicated our understanding by signing below:

**Parent Name:**

**Parent Signature:**

**Date:**

**Student Name:**

**Student Number:**

**Student Signature:**

**Date:**