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Uniforms

There are three parts to a Menaul School student uniform: tops, bottoms, and shoes.

- **Tops:** Each day, students must wear a polo shirt in a white or red with the Menaul School logo embroidered on it. These shirts are available in long or short sleeve styles. Students may wear sweatshirts or cardigans over their uniform shirts as long as the sweatshirt or cardigan is in a school color (red, white, black, or grey) and does not display objectionable messages or images.
- **Bottoms:** Khaki pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, or jumpers complete the student uniform. Families may purchase approved uniform bottoms through our new uniform vendor, or may purchase other khaki-colored chinos that meet the following characteristics: the bottoms should be plain, cotton or a cotton blend, appropriately fitting (neither excessively tight nor baggy), clean, and not have cargo pockets or other extra pockets. Leggings may be worn under skirts or jumpers in cooler weather, but are not pants themselves.
- **Shoes:** Sturdy, closed-toed shoes are required as part of the student uniform. Socks are strongly recommended to avoid smelly shoes.



How to Buy Uniforms

- Used uniform pieces are available at the school store, the Panther Den. They're open daily after school until 4pm.
- New uniform pieces are available from our uniform provider, epluno.com. To qualify for free shipping to the school, order between July 3 and 24. Your child can try on uniform pieces in the Media Center before you order to ensure a good fit.
- In addition to shopping online at **menaulschool.epluno.com**, you can call their customer service line at **1-800-249-5275**.
- Orders placed online between July 3 and 24 will be delivered to the school and ready for pickup on Orientation Day, August 15th.
- Shipping fees will apply if uniform pieces are ordered at other times.

3 Big Things to Do Now



1.) Create a ParentsWeb account.

You'll use ParentsWeb for checking report cards, updating contact information, viewing student schedules, and completing enrollment forms.

- ❑ From the MenaulSchool.org webpage, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the Parent Portal button.
- ❑ Scroll down to find the RenWeb button; click it.
- ❑ On the page that opens, click the link for "Create New ParentsWeb Account".
- ❑ On the page that opens, you'll be guided through the process. You'll need to use the same email address you used during the admissions process.



2.) Complete enrollment forms.

- ❑ After setting up your ParentsWeb account, you'll be able to access the enrollment forms in your student's file. These need to be completed before the start of school.

3.) Schedule and complete a physical for your student. All Middle School students participate in sports, so a sports physical is needed. The documentation that you'll turn in to Pat Nunez, the Registrar, is available in Parents Web.

School Supplies

- Pencils, pens, erasers, stylus
- Colored pencils
- iPad case
- Planner/agenda
- Notebook paper
- 1 1"-binder with dividers
- 1 folder
- 2 combination locks (one for your Donaldson locker and one for your gym locker; write down the combinations at home)
- 6th graders: 2 marble composition books (humanities), 1 graph paper composition book (STEM)
- 7th graders: 1 marble composition book (religion)



Summer Reading

Read the book for the grade you are entering, and be ready to discuss it by the time we go to Camp.

- 6th grade: *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George
- 7th grade: *A Girl Named Disaster* by Nancy Farmer
- 8th grade: *Gone* by Michael Grant



Student-Family Handbook

For more information about policies and procedures, please read our Student-Family Handbook. It's on our website at: <http://www.menaulschool.org/menaul-school-student-and-family-handbook/>

Reporting Absences

If your child is ill or otherwise unable to attend school, please call the Attendance Line at 505-341-7255 by 8:30am.

Your student's classwork and homework are available on Canvas – there's no need to make a special request to receive it. Students have one day to make up work for every day of an excused absence.



Middle School Camp

Middle School students and teachers will spend two days and one night at Camp Oro Quay on September 7th and 8th. Students will arrive at school by 8am on the 7th, and be ready for pickup by 3:30pm on the 8th.

Please bring to camp:

- 1 pair of pants
- 1 pair of shorts
- Rain jacket
- Sweatshirt or fleece
- 2 pairs of socks
- 2 pairs of underwear
- Shoes for hiking
- 2 shirts
- Hat
- Clothes to sleep in
- Water bottle (at least 1L)
- Toothpaste and toothbrush
- Bar of soap
- Hairbrush or comb
- Deodorant
- Flash light or head lamp
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm (like Chapstick)

- Camera (disposable) - optional
- Sleeping bag (wrap it tightly and put into a garbage bag, and put your name on it)
- Pillow
- Small towel
- Insect repellent
- Any medication you need (turn in medication to Ms. Pat Nunez on Thursday morning before leaving).

Please don't bring:

- Knives and other weapons
- Electronic equipment
- Candy
- Energy drinks
- Matches
- Fireworks
- Valuables
- Anything else that you shouldn't bring to school

Fall Sports

All Middle School students participate in sports or a strength and conditioning course each season, so every student needs to complete a physical and turn in the accompanying physical form to Pat Nunez, our Registrar.

Options for team sports in the fall season include:

- Cross country (boys and girls)
- Flag football (boys and girls)
- Soccer (boys and girls)
- Volleyball (girls)
- Cheerleading (boys and girls)



After Care

Middle School students who are on campus and not in a supervised activity after 4pm will need to attend After Care. The program runs from 4 to 6pm and is typically housed in the Helen Porter Childs Student Center on the east side of campus.

Students at After Care receive supervision, a snack, time to play, and time for homework.

After Care fees operate on a sliding scale (from \$6 to \$16 per day), similar to the way Flex Tuition works. Families with a sibling in our Upper School are not charged as long as the Middle Schooler is picked up at the same time as the Upper Schooler's class or activity is dismissed.

First Months of School Calendar

Tuesday, August 15th – Orientation (AM and PM Sessions – you choose) – overview of school year, pick up uniforms from epluno.com, buy used uniforms from the Panther Den, meet other families.

Wednesday, August 16th – First day of classes, 9 am start (like all other Wednesdays)

Friday, August 25th – Picture Day (we'll send home an order packet near the start of school, and you'll return it with payment on Picture Day, if you'd like pictures; all students will have a picture taken for the yearbook)

Monday, September 4th – No school for Labor Day
Thursday and Friday, September 7th and 8th – Middle School Camp at Camp Oro Quay (arrive by 8am on the 7th; return by 3:30pm on the 8th)

Dates and Times TBA: Family meetings for Fall sports

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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