

Dress Code

The first impression made upon others is visual. Therefore, the image of the professional nurse is enhanced by proper appearance. If the nurse looks neat and competent, she/he is more likely to be seen as competent by superiors, co-workers, and the patients who depend upon her/him. In the interest of professionalism and to be in compliance with the rules of most health institutions, the following dress code is to be followed by Massasoit Nursing students.

- Business casual will be strongly encouraged to be worn on college campus unless otherwise directed. College photo ID must be visible.
- Uniforms must be worn to clinical agencies except for designated agencies, which require business casual attire.
- The uniform consists of:
 - Navy blue top with embroidered school seal embroidered on the chest and navy-blue scrub pants to be purchased from Village Uniforms. May wear white scrub jacket with school insignia embroidered on chest in the clinical area. Sweaters cannot be worn on clinical units. **A student may wear a long-sleeved plain white shirt under the uniform top.**
 - White Shoes - Shoes should be clean and in good repair. Appropriate footwear is ALL WHITE leather shoes or sneakers with white hosiery or socks. No open back clogs.
 - Name pin, college photo ID, watch with sweep second hand, scissors, Kelly clamp, stethoscope, goggles, and a black ball point pen. All parts of the uniform should be clean, in good repair and fit properly.
 - Hair must be clean, controlled above the collar, and away from the face. **A student may wear a plain white headband if needed.**
 - Male students must keep any facial hair well-groomed and in compliance with OSHA standards. (see <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nptl/pdfs/FacialHairWmask11282017-508.pdf>).
 - Make-up should be minimal and tastefully applied.
 - Fingernails should be clean and at an appropriate length. No nail polish or artificial nails.
 - No jewelry except one pair of small studs may be worn in ears only. A plain wedding band is acceptable.
 - No gum chewing is allowed in the clinical agency.
 - Personal hygiene must effectively manage body odors.
 - Personal hygiene products must be fragrance free; no cologne or perfume should be used.
 - No visible tattoos or piercings in the clinical setting.

