



New Student Info for Baldwin



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Uniforms

The uniform guidelines of the school coincide with MPS dress code, but in a more detailed and school-specific form: The Baldwin Dress Code is as follows:

Uniform Tops

Girls: Dark purple or white polo shirts; short or long sleeved, may have a banded waist.

White button-down shirts; $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeve, short sleeve, or long sleeved.

*All shirts must have collars, and no logos, unless it is the Baldwin logo.

Boys: Dark purple or white polo shirts; short or long sleeved

White button-down shirts; short or long sleeved.

*All shirts must have collars, and no logos, unless it is the Baldwin logo.

*Shirts do not have to be tucked in, but if student chooses to tuck in shirt, a belt must be worn, if pants, shorts, or skirts have belt loops.

Uniform Bottoms

Girls: KHAKI or BLACK shorts, skorts, that look like skirts from the front and back, skirts, jumpers (all must adhere to MPS policy requiring these to be no higher than 2 inches from the crease in the back of the knee), capri pants, or long pants. All pants must be regular cut, with no "skinny pants" or leggings made to look like pants. PLAID (color "2M") skorts that look like skirts from the front and back, skirts, and jumpers may be worn also.

Boys: KHAKI or BLACK shorts and long pants. Pants must fit properly and may not sag.

*No athletic shorts.

Purses, Totes, and/or Bags: Students may carry small purses to transport personal items; however, purses may be no larger than "10 x 8 x 2". Students may not carry backpack purses.

Shoes: Shoes must cover the foot. Athletic shoes are preferred. Shoes such as loafer, flats, "boat shoes" are permissible, as long as they cover the foot. Boots made to wear during inclement weather (such as rubber rain boots) may be worn to school; however, they must be stored in the student's locker during the day. No bedroom slippers, flip-flops, stilettos or slides will be allowed.

Outerwear: White, dark purple, dark/light gray or black sweaters (crewneck & V-neck), sweater vests, sweatshirts, zip front hoodies, and fleece jackets are all acceptable. Outerwear must be solid in color with no logos. No branded outwear can worn in the classroom. All may be embroidered with the Baldwin logo, but school logos are not required.

*Outerwear MAY NOT BE monogrammed with the student's personal name.



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Hats and scarves are considered outerwear and must be placed in the student's locker during the school day.

Socks/Tights, Ties, Hair Ribbons, Belts, Accessories:

Socks and tights: solid color white, black, or flesh colored. Dance students may not wear their dance class tights under skirts.

Ties may be worn (must be tied correctly) but are not required: solid dark purple or plaid (2M).

Hair Ribbons and small hair bows should be solid color: black, white, purple, beige/khaki, or plaid (2M). No large hairbows may be worn. Headbands may be worn to hold back the wearer's hair but may not be worn on the forehead. Large jewelry, such as necklaces or earrings, is not allowed.

Belts, if worn, must be solid black, brown, or purple.

Special Occasions: On special occasions, designated by the Principal, students may wear Baldwin t-shirts that have not been altered to look different than intended. (no cut sleeves, slits, tassels, etc.). On these special days, students must wear uniform bottoms.

PE Uniforms: students taking PE (which is all students except for Dance students) will purchase PE uniforms from the PE teachers during the first few weeks of school. The PE uniform cost has not yet been established for 2021-2022. Previously each item was \$7, so a full set cost \$14.

PARENT TIP: It is recommended that parents purchase more than one full set of gym clothes. Students alternate their gym clothes throughout the week to minimize the odor that sets in to their gym clothes. Students may also lose items throughout the year, so it is good to have a fallback uniform. Students are also required to wear white tube socks as part of their gym uniform. It is recommended that you purchase multiple pairs of socks as well. Tennis shoes must be worn in PE. Students who fail to bring the required uniform are given the option to borrow items from the lost and found pile or take a reduction in grade for dressing out that week. **PARENT TIP:** Some students bring 2-3 uniforms with them to school on Monday morning. They alternate throughout the week and bring them home Friday to be washed. Find a system that works for your family and stick with it!

Lockers

Students will rent a locker near their homeroom class from their homeroom teacher during the first two weeks of school. The rental fee for 2021-2022 has not yet been set. Previously the locker rental fee was \$7 for the school year. Upon payment, students will be given the combination for their locker. **PARENT TIP:** It is a good idea to have your student practice using a 3-digit combination lock over the summer.

Locker Decorations: No decorations may be permanent and must not be visible from outside the locker. Students typically use magnetic mirrors, hooks, shelves, or dry erase boards in their lockers. (It is recommended that you don't purchase locker decorations until you know the size of your locker.)

PE Students must also rent a P.E. locker. The cost for these lockers has not yet been determined for 2021-2022. These lockers have the same type of 3-digit combination. Students can store their PE uniforms, shoes, extra deodorant or hygiene items in these lockers.

Lunch/Breakfast

Baldwin students will receive free breakfast and lunch again this year. Students arriving early for breakfast will enter through the gym at 6:30 (if car rider) and proceed to the cafeteria. Bus riders will be dropped off at the Scott Street door. Students eat lunch during their 5th period



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class during one of three waves.

Arrival/Dismissal:

The school day begins at 7:12 and ends at 2:15 at Baldwin. Students are permitted into the building through the gym beginning at 6:30 AM. The front door opens approximately at 7:00 AM. There is a warning bell at 7:10 AM. The tardy bell rings at 7:12 AM, so students should plan for enough time to go through security, go to their locker, and make it to homeroom before the tardy bell rings. Students must be seated in their desk in homeroom to be considered on time. Students must be signed in in the office by a parent if they arrive at school after the tardy bell rings.

The dismissal bell rings at 2:15. Students exit the front doors, gym doors, and bus riders use the Scott Street doors for their exit.

McDonough is a ONE-WAY street. During arrival and dismissal times, the left lane becomes a line for drop off and pickup. It is recommended that students sit in the back-driver side seat of the vehicle so that they can disembark safely. Many parents park in metered parking spots around the school on McDonough and Lawrence and allow their students to walk safely to and from the school. Do NOT let students out or park on Scott Street next to the school; **this is the bus lane**. Baldwin has a crossing guard stationed at the corner of McDonough and Scott Street. Students should use the crosswalk at all times for their safety. Do not let students get out of the vehicle if not next to the curb. It is not safe.

School Supplies

At new student orientation, students will be given a list of required/recommended school supplies per classroom. The first few days of school students only need a notebook, some paper, and a pen/pencil. If you're shopping the Back to School sales, these items may be needed during their time at Baldwin:

Notebook Paper

Binders (you can purchase a Trapper Keeper style to carry all subjects, or several smaller binders to hold fewer subjects)

Dividers

Pens (Blue or Black ink)

Pencils (mechanical or wooden)

Erasers

Colored Pencils

Markers

Highlighters

White-Out

Glue Stick

3x5 index cards

Flash drive



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Donations

As a magnet school, Baldwin receives less funding than the traditional schools in our area. Our administration works hard to allocate all funds towards classroom instruction materials and necessities. The PTSA, in an effort to safeguard that funding, supports our teachers and staff with **cleaning supplies, paper towels, tissues, and hand sanitizer**. We also support the school nurse by supplying **band-aids, ace bandages, quart-size freezer bags for ice packs, feminine hygiene products, and tissues**. As you're shopping the school supplies sales, please pick up an extra item or two on these lists. Your donation helps the school and the PTSA put more money back into the classroom and the betterment of Baldwin.

You can also give directly to PTSA at <https://baamspta.memberhub.com/store/items/60878>.

New Student Orientation

Follow the Baldwin PTSA on Facebook at @BAAMSPTSA or on Instagram at @BaldwinPTSA to keep up to date on when events, such as New Student Orientation will be held. At orientation, students and parents will hear information from the PTSA, Principal, and will have time to follow their schedules and find their classes. **Make sure students bring their schedules!** The PTSA will have student volunteers available to help students find their classes.

PTSA Events

Below are the events PTSA has traditionally hosted throughout the year:

Open House, in September, is an opportunity for parents of ALL students to follow their schedules and meet their teachers. Wear comfortable shoes and be prepared to climb some stairs!

Faculty Follies, is an incredible talent show provided by the faculty and staff at Baldwin.

Magnet High School Showcase, in January, principals and faculty from the magnet high schools will be available for parents and students to answer questions as they prepare for high school.

Baldwin Run, is PTSA's largest fundraiser of the year. Students will receive pledges and donations and will compete for prizes in an effort to raise over money for our school.

Dances: PTSA intends to hold three dances in 2021 – 2022; a Back to School Bash, a Mardi-Gras themed dance and an End of the Year Dance. "Follow" and "like" our Facebook page @BAAMSPTSA and our Instagram account @BaldwinPTSA for information about dances and all of our events.

Volunteer

PTSA's vision for 2021 – 2022 is "You BELONG in PTSA, Let's BUILD together!"

PTSA is for Arts and Academics families – for all of Baldwin. Our organization and school is stronger when we are all involved. Together we can build a better Baldwin experience for our students and their teachers. But we need your help. Visit:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3jtw4L6XWAhOLjUcTEAeGs5MVkxtjx8lNrPAee5YrfZhg/viewform?usp=sf_link

to find out about our volunteer opportunities and to sign up to help out.

You can also email us at baldwinmms@gmail.com with any questions, comments or ideas!