

Monarch Mondays FAQ (2021-22)

1. My kids have the gray shirt from last year. Can they wear it again this year?

No; StMM students must have the new BLACK Monarch Mondays shirt for 2021-22 if they want to participate this school year. The gray shirt from last year (that says 2020-21) may now be worn only on Spirit Days.

2. Is it every Monday, and where do I find the shirts?

Yes; on every Monday beginning November 8, 2021, students may wear their new, black Monarch Mondays shirt to school with the bottoms of their choice, following the school's guidelines. Shirts will go on sale in October. The link to order them will be posted in the newsletter and on the school's social media platforms.

3. How do Monarch Mondays differ from Spirit Days?

Spirit Days are typically the last Friday of the month (although check the online school calendar and the newsletter for special themes or changes in dates) and are for all students. On Spirit Days, students may wear any StMM spirit shirt they wish. Monarch Mondays, on the other hand, are only for the students who have purchased the new, black Monarch Mondays shirts for 2021-22. On Monarch Mondays, students may wear only the Monarch Mondays shirt or hoodie; save the other StMM spirit wear for Spirit Days.

4. Can my student still participate in Monarch Mondays if we are not sponsors?

Yes; shirts will go on sale to all families in October (link will be posted in the newsletter and on the school's social media platforms). All students may purchase a Monarch Mondays shirt, whether or not their family was a sponsor. If your family is not sponsoring, you may wish to donate teacher shirt(s) instead at only \$20 per shirt (see below).

5. What sort of bottoms can my student wear on Monarch Mondays?

The same sort of bottoms they wear on Spirit Days (e.g., sweatpants, jeans, shorts of modest length). See the parent handbook on the school's website for uniform policies on dress down days. For specific uniform-related and dress down questions, contact your child's teacher or Assistant Principal Mrs. Lawson.

6. What happens if we don't participate?

No student or family is required to participate in Monarch Mondays. If you don't take part, your student simply wears their uniform to school every Monday like usual.

7. If we buy the Monarch Mondays hoodie, can my student wear it to school on other days with their uniform?

No; Monarch Mondays hoodies are only for Mondays. On other uniform days of the week, students may wear only uniform-approved maroon hoodies from Flynn O'Hara or from the online spirit store at Ink'd Threads (look for the "uniform approved" description: <https://www.inkdthreads.com/find-my-store/school-pages/st-mary-magdalene-catholic-school>).

8. What is the difference between a sponsor and a teacher shirt donor?

Sponsors will have their business name or logo, or family name on the back of the shirt. In exchange for their sponsorship, they will receive FREE Monarch Mondays shirts that the PSO will order for them. See the newsletter for sponsorship levels. If you don't wish to sponsor, you may donate Monarch Mondays shirt(s) to your children's teacher(s) at \$20 per shirt – the PSO will order and deliver all the teacher shirts for you. Teacher shirt donors do not receive free Monarch Mondays shirts themselves; rather, they are donating a free shirt to a teacher!

9. I want to sponsor; how will we receive our free shirts and how do you know what size I want?

On the sponsorship form, you tell us what size(s) you want, and whether you want cotton or performance material shirts. The PSO will order your shirts for you and deliver them to your child's homeroom in late October or early November. If you have multiple children, we'll deliver them to the oldest child's homeroom.

10. I want to donate a teacher shirt; how do I know what size to get?

The PSO will poll all the teachers for their sizes and will order and deliver all the teacher shirts. You don't have to do anything! Thank you for outfitting our staff in free shirts so they can participate in Monarch Mondays too!

11. Can you give me an example of last year's shirt so I can see what the different sponsorship levels looked like?

Absolutely! This is what the back of the shirt looked like last year. See the newsletter for information on the different sponsorship levels.



Still have a question? Contact Erin Bonasso for sponsorship related questions (erinbonasso@gmail.com), and Molly Pryzwansky for general questions (mollypryz@hotmail.com).