

Body Art, Piercings, and Jewelry section

- Occupied piercings are limited to one stud or post earring (6 mm or less in size) in each lobe of the ear. A piercing is defined as a hole in the body created so that jewelry or implants can be inserted. All piercings should be unoccupied while in the clinical setting with the exception of the ones allowed in the lobes of the ears. Bracelets, necklaces, rings, and dental jewelry are not permitted. A plain (no stones or engravings), flat wedding ring or band is allowed.
- The Mary Black College of Nursing recognizes that the nursing profession is enriched by the diversity and individuality of its members. At MBCON, visible tattoos are acceptable with the following guidelines:
 - Must not convey violence, discrimination, profanity, be sexually explicit, offensive, cause fear/discomfort to patients or children or are unprofessional in nature
 - Prohibited on the head, face, neck or scalp regardless of the nature or theme of the tattoo
 - Non-healed tattoos must be covered in compliance with infection control standards
 - Any request made by a Mary Black College of Nursing faculty member or clinical facility member to cover a tattoo must be honored by the student at all times. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action in accordance to MBCON policy.
- Cosmetics and all facial items (e.g., eyelashes, pimple patches etc.) must be natural in appearance, not distracting, and must not interfere with patient safety.

The program reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of a student's appearance and may require modification to ensure compliance with professional, safety, and clinical agency standards. Failure to comply with faculty or clinical agency directives regarding appearance may result in removal from the clinical setting and evaluation consistent with course and program policies.