



SCHOOL DRESS CODE PLAN

RATIONALE:

A school's dress code can play an important role in promoting a positive image of the school and creating a sense of identity. There are many reasons to introduce a code of dress for students:

- It allows for easy identification of students during out of school activities,
- Provides a platform for students to be "equal" irrespective of family circumstances,
- Generally, it is a cheaper option for parents,
- Fosters a sense of 'belonging" and pride in the school.

This school has a proud reputation when it comes to the wearing of a school Dress Code, and our School Board acknowledges the importance of having a Dress Code.

Relevant Legislation or Authority

Equal Opportunity Act 1984

Disability Discrimination Act, 1992

Occupational Health and Safety Act, 2000

Racial Discrimination Act, 1975

School Education Act 1999, sections 123 (1), (2)(a), 128, 135, 140(d)(i), (iii)

School Education Regulations 2000, Regulations 33 to 36, 40-42

Sex Discrimination Act, 1984

The School Board endorsed the Dress Code:

| BOYS | GIRLS |
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| Ochre polo shirt with emblem Black shorts Black track pants Black long pants Ochre jumper / black jacket with school emblem Wide brim black hat | Ochre polo shirt with emblem Black shorts / skorts / skirt Black track pants Black long pants Ochre jumper / black jacket with school emblem Wide brim black hat Ochre and white print dress |

SPORTS / FACTION CARNIVAL DRESS CODE:

Sports uniform is to be only worn on Friday and for sporting events (not interschool):

| BOYS | GIRLS |
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| Faction coloured T-shirt Black shorts Suitable footwear Wide brim reversible black hat | Faction coloured T-shirt Black sport skirt / short Suitable footwear Wide brim reversible black hat |

(Items sold through the School's P & C Clothing Pool)

- **DENIM** – Denim items of clothing are not permitted to be worn in Western Australian public schools,
- **HAIR** – Hair on any student, male or female, that is longer than the top of the shoulder, is to be tied back at all times whilst at school. This is an Occupational Health and Safety issue,
- **MAKE-UP** – No facial make-up shall be worn,
- **JEWELLERY** – No jewellery with the exception of watches, plain small sleepers and studs in the ear,
- **FOOTWEAR** – It is important to ensure your child has suitable footwear when at school. Tie-up shoes or sneakers are the preferred footwear for school. For safety reasons no thongs, backless slip-ons or high-heeled shoes are permitted. NO CHILD will be allowed to take part in any out of school activity without suitable footwear. NB: Beach style sandals are not suitable,
- **HATS** – This school operates a “No Hat, No Play” policy throughout the year. This policy reflects the importance of shading the face/head from the harmful rays of the sun. Consequently, the School Board has endorsed the use only of broad brimmed hats or legionnaire caps.

STUDENT LEADERS:

As representatives of the student body, Student Councillors and Faction Leaders are expected to be positive role models for other students. This includes the Councillors wearing the school uniform and their badges at all times.

EXEMPTIONS:

Any exemptions or objections need to be negotiated by parents directly with the principal.

SANCTIONS:

Parents will be notified when a student fails to wear the school uniform, or where a regular breach of the dress code is apparent. The school has a bank of clean second hand uniforms which are available for loan on a daily basis.

Students who are not in uniform will not be permitted to attend excursions, interschool sports and reward activities.