



Student Uniform and Appearance Policy

The wearing of the uniform is fundamental to reflecting the values and expectations of the College. Students are expected to arrive and depart each day in the appropriate full College uniform. This includes wearing the uniform as it is intended and with pride. Whilst off campus and in uniform, students are expected to wear the College uniform to the same standard expected on campus. All uniforms should always be worn in a presentable and neat manner.

Day Uniforms

- Students are expected to wear the College Day Uniform whilst at school and whilst travelling to and from school, either by bus or by private transport. This includes the wearing of their day hat;
- Students are always required to wear (not carry in hand) the College hat whilst wearing the uniform and exposed to the sun. Hats must be kept clean and in good condition or be replaced;
- Where long sleeves are worn, such as with day jumpers, senior blazers or long-sleeved shirts, the sleeves must always be worn down and are not to be rolled up. The only exception may be a classroom activity where the teacher directs students to do so, such as an art or science lesson. In this case, the sleeves must be returned to the correct position at the completion of that class;
- Belts should be worn where the uniform allows;
- Girls' skirts must be of an appropriate length, i.e. on the knee or below. Girls have the option to wear College day shorts or trousers;
- Boys' socks must be pulled up and secured so that they remain in that position through the day;
- Girls are to wear the College socks. Socks must be worn at the correct height, which is pulled up above the ankle and must not be rolled or folded down below the ankle at any time;
- School shoes should be fully enclosed upper leather shoes with a low heel and not the ballet or open buckle-and-strap style shoes. They should have non-marking soles. There should be no obvious branding.
- Students in Prep are permitted to wear their sports uniform to school each day;
- All students across Years 1 to 12 (boys and girls) can choose to wear trousers;
- Students in Years 11 and 12 are required to wear their full formal uniform in the colder months (as directed), which includes trousers for the boys;
- All uniforms must be worn in their entirety, including appropriate shoes and hats, and not mixed e.g. students are not permitted to wear sport jackets with their day uniform.

Sport and Other Uniforms

- Students in Years 1 to 6 are to wear their sports uniform on their two assigned PE days;
- Students in Years 4 to 6 are to change into their sports uniform on APS sport day (Thursday), and APS training day (Monday) and can leave in this uniform on this day;
- Students in Years 7-12 are to change into their sports uniform for HPE at the break before and after the lesson or during tutor group for lessons before recess.
- Students in Years 7 to 12 may wear their sports uniform whilst travelling to and from school on their APS sport day (Friday) and home after APS sport training (Tuesday or Wednesday);
- Other uniforms, such as House and specific sports uniforms, may be worn at specific events or when permission is granted by the Principal or her delegate;
- All uniforms must be worn in their entirety, including appropriate shoes and hats, and not mixed, e.g. students are not permitted to wear sport jumpers with their day uniform;
- Sport shoes must be appropriate for sport, not flat skate-style footwear or casual shoes. Students can change into shoes (or uniforms) specific for their chosen sport, e.g. basketball shoes.

Hair, Jewelry and Appearance

- Hair must be neat, tidy, clean and 'off the face' for both boys and girls. There should be no significant variance in length;
- Boys must ensure that their hair is cut in such a style as to be out of their eyes, above the lower part of the ears and off the collar;
- Girls with hair below the collar must tie it back with a navy, rust, cream or plain black ribbon/scrunchie/elastic or College ribbon;
- Extreme hairstyles are not acceptable nor are any obvious colour changes. Hair is always to appear 'natural' and must be one, even colour with one colour only;
- Make up (e.g. foundation, skin colour moisturisers, tinted sun protection creams, mascara, eyeliners and lipstick or the equivalent) is not to be worn at any time;
- Nail polish, including varnish, French tips and gel/acrylic, is not to be worn at any time;
- Apart from a plain watch, jewellery is not to be worn at school. Anklets are not permitted. If girls have their ears pierced, one plain silver or gold small stud or sleeper may be worn in the lower ear lobe of each ear only. No other piercing is permitted, including the use of clear studs;
- If students wish to wear a plain cross or other symbol of religious or cultural significance, they need to ensure that it is concealed under the College uniform; permission must be sought from the Principal to wear any other symbol of religious or cultural significance that is not concealed under the College uniform;

Exemption Process

- There will be consequences for students who do not meet uniform expectations including uniform exemptions (as well as being asked to remove make-up and inappropriate jewellery); three or more exemptions result in other more serious consequences, including a parent meeting with the Head of Program for students in Prep to Year 5, and an afternoon detention for students in Years 6 to 12;
- If a student requires an exemption for more than one day e.g. delay in the availability of an item of uniform, parents are to communicate this in an email to the classroom teacher for students in Prep to Year 6 and the Head of Year for students in Years 7 to 12;

- There will be more serious consequences for students who continually and deliberately flout the College uniform expectations.

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