



Student Dress Code

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Rationale:

The Wongan Hills District High School community, through the School Council, believes the wearing of a School Uniform and adhering to a Student Dress Code sets the tone of the school by developing a sense of unity and pride as well as providing equity. It is expected that students will adhere to the Student Dress Code.

A student dress code:

- Assists in building school and team spirit.
- Increases the safety of students both in the school and on excursions.
- Enhances the public image of the school.
- Is cost effective with a choice of affordable clothing.
- Prepares students for future employment expectations.

Wongan Hills District High Student Dress Code:

The Student Dress Code must be worn every day except specified free dress days. It is expected that students who are representing the school on camp or for formal occasions will adhere to the Student Dress Code as appropriate for the occasion. Expectations outlined in 'Unacceptable Items' will always be adhered to. The school colours are navy blue and white.

School Uniform – Desired	School Dress Code - Accepted
PRIMARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School polo shirt (navy blue and white) with school logo - Navy blue cargo shorts - Navy blue microfibre pants - Navy blue cargo pant - Navy blue fleece zip jacket with school logo - Navy blue microfibre jacket with school logo - Navy blue skorts - Navy hat <i>as per Sun Smart Policy</i> 	PRIMARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plain navy blue or white polo shirt - Plain navy blue shorts (minimum mid-thigh length) - Plain navy blue track pants - Plain navy blue pants - Plain navy blue jumper or jacket - Plain navy blue footless tights (underneath shorts, skirts, dresses) - Plain navy blue skirt or skorts (minimum mid-thigh length) - Blue and white checked dress with white trim
SECONDARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School polo shirt (navy blue and white) with school logo - Navy blue cargo shorts - Navy blue microfibre pants - Navy blue cargo pant - Navy blue fleece zip jacket with school logo - Navy blue and white jacket with school logo - Navy blue and white track pants (to match jacket) - Navy blue skorts 	SECONDARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plain navy blue or white polo shirt - Plain navy blue shorts (minimum mid-thigh length) - Plain navy blue track pants - Plain navy blue pants - Plain navy blue jumper or jacket - Plain navy blue skirt or skorts (minimum mid-thigh length) - Plain navy blue or white scarf

- Navy hat *as per Sun Smart Policy*

Unacceptable Items:

- Denim of any colour (as per the Education Act), denim look items and jeggings.
- Singlets, strapless, strappy or revealing clothing attire will not be accepted at any school event (School Formal dresses are exempt from being strapless and strappy, but must not be revealing).
- Clothing items with inappropriate words, abbreviations, pictures or phrases.
- Thongs, steel cap boots, high heels, gumboots and ugg-boots (High heels are acceptable at the School Formal).

Footwear:

- Covered shoes are preferred. Sandals that are secured to the foot at ankle and toe are accepted.
- Covered shoes must be worn for D&T, Home Economics, Science and Cadets.
- Sport shoes must be worn for Physical Education lessons and sports carnivals.

Hats – ‘Wear a Hat or in the Shade’: (as per Sun Smart Policy)

- Navy blue bucket and wide brim hat with the school logo is available as part of the uniform.
- Hats must not have any inappropriate logos, words or pictures.
- Headwear must be removed when inside.

Cold weather attire:

- Plain navy blue or white long sleeve undershirts are permitted under the school shirt.
- Navy blue or white scarves are accepted.
- Beanies can be worn, but must be removed when inside.

Special Clothing Items

- House polo shirts – are to be worn at school House competitions.
- Student Council, Year 6 Transition and Senior School Leavers clothing items must be in school colours.
- Country Week – the school tracksuit is required for students who represent the school at Country Week. Each year that a student represents the school this will be embroidered on the tracksuit jacket.

Jewellery

- Modest and inconspicuous jewellery is accepted.
- Body piercings – studs or hoops which are sufficiently small are accepted.
- Jewellery that is deemed unsafe (does not meet the Occupational Safety and Health standards) will be required to be removed.

Hair

- Should be neat and presentable.
- Collar length and longer hair must be tied back.

Make-up

- Not permitted by primary students.
- Secondary students may wear minimal, modest and inconspicuous make-up.

Specialised classes:

- In subjects such as Certificate Qualifications, work placement or work experience, specialised sport, Cadets etc there may be specific clothing items required to meet Health and Safety standards. These will be negotiated by the Principal with the students and parents as necessary.

Transition Navy Hats as per Sun Smart Policy:

Navy hats will be transitioned into the Dress Code, commencing immediately. Enforcement will begin in Term 1, 2020.

Purchasing School Uniform Items:

The P&C manage the supply of School Uniform. Information about placing orders can be obtained from the school's front office.

Exemptions:

The Principal may exempt students from the Student Dress Code upon written request from or interview with parents or caregivers. Grounds on which exemption may be sought include (but may not be limited to):

- Religious
- Cultural or ethic
- Itinerant students
- Genuine medical or family illness
- Hardship

Dress Pass:

Administration will issue dress passes to students at their discretion.

Consequences for not meeting the Dress Code:

- If a student attends school in clothing that does not meet the Student Dress Code, they will attend the front office where they will be required to swap their non-uniform clothing item with a correct item. The student is responsible for returning the item to the front office at the end of the day for washing.
- First offence out of Student Dress Code – First Warning: Clothing item swap, jewellery etc removed, hair tied back etc; Parent contacted.
- Second offence out of Student Dress Code – Second Warning: Clothing item swap, jewellery etc removed, hair tied back etc; Parent contacted.
- Third offence out of Student Dress Code – Third Warning: Clothing item swap, jewellery etc removed, hair tied back etc; Parent contacted; Student withdrawn from recess or lunch until Student Dress Code adhered to; and/or Loss of Good Standing.
- Parents will be contacted for each offence of not meeting the Student Dress Code.

Policy Review:

- The Student Dress Code Policy will have input from the school community through the School Council.
- The policy will have input from the students through the Student Council.
- The policy will be reviewed at regular intervals.
- The school will promote the policy through the school's communication processes.
- The administration will allocate time to review and maintain the policy.

This course of action has been endorsed by the School Council and the school staff as a means of ensuring that the focus of students at the school remains one of academic success.