

Windsor Public School

School Uniform Policy



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Policy statement

A school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It identifies students as belonging to a particular school. Schools usually expect students to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

Careful selection of a school uniform can contribute to the health and safety of students when engaged in school activities. A school uniform should reflect school community standards and expectations. It should be developed in consultation with and agreed upon by the school community. It should be based on a strong student and parent voice. The whole school community has a role to play in encouraging the meeting of these standards.

Decisions about school uniforms should be consistent with work health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation. Aspects of the uniform related to safety, eg. safe footwear, eye protection and hats, will need to be enforced as appropriate.

Each school's uniform policy must be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and parents or carers, including the Parents and Citizens' Association, local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and School Council where relevant. The consultation will be conducted in a manner appropriate to each school and be based on participatory decision-making principles. The school's uniform policy and uniform requirements should be formally endorsed by the school community before implementation.

A school's uniform policy should take into account the diverse nature of the student population in the school and not disadvantage any student. Economic, personal, social and cultural factors affecting students and their families must be considered when deciding on items of uniform. Other considerations, such as body shape or religious requirements should be taken into account in making a final decision on the design and fabric of school uniforms.

The school's uniform policy and school uniform requirements should be reviewed at least every five years and amended where necessary. Groups within the school community may also seek a review when circumstances change significantly or issues arise.

Implementing school uniform requirements

Positive reinforcement and encouraging responsible behaviour are the preferred approaches to ensuring students wear the school uniform.

The principal oversees the shared responsibility for ensuring that students are encouraged to wear school uniforms that meet agreed community standards and adhere to legislative requirements.

The wearing of full school uniform (Summer Terms 1 and 4) and (Winter Terms 2 and 3) is a rewarded criterion in the school welfare system.

Response to students who do not wear uniform must be appropriate. They should be clarified, agreed upon by the school community and documented. Response must be fair and consistent. They must not prevent students from continued participation in essential curriculum activities except where exclusion is necessary for reasons of safety. In this situation, alternative educational activities must be provided.

Being a registered SunSmart School, Windsor Public implements specific practices inclusive of:

- Broad brimmed hats (No Hat No Play)
- Sunglasses (professionally branded with school logo)

Arrangements with clothing suppliers

Where practical, the school will source and supply stock items of school uniform for sale to parents.

Specific, tailored uniform items will be out-sourced to local providers.

The school P&C Association will keep a washed/maintained stock of second-hand clothing in a clothing pool, to assist families who experience financial difficulty.

School Uniform

Summer

Boys: Green & gold school shirt, grey shorts, grey socks – black, closed in shoes or black joggers. NB. No sandals.

Girls: Green and white polyester dress, or
Black shorts with green & gold school shirt, white short socks, black closed in shoes or black joggers. NB. No sandals.

Sport

Joggers (plain black preferred) NO bright/fluro colours

Boys: Green & gold school shirt, bottle green shorts

Girls: Green & gold school shirt, bottle green shorts
or bottle green pleated skirt.

N.B. Skorts are not part of school uniform

Winter

Boys: Green & gold school shirt, grey trousers, green jacket or jumper, grey socks, black closed in shoes or black joggers.

Girls: Tartan tunic, lemon blouse, bottle green stockings or white socks, or
bottle green pants, green & gold school shirt, green jumper or jacket,
black closed in shoes or black joggers.

N.B. A long sleeve polo shirt is also available for Terms 2 and 3

Sport:

Joggers (plain black preferred) NO bright/fluro colours

Boys: Green & gold school shirt, bottle green shorts or bottle green tracksuit

Girls: Green & gold school shirt, bottle green shorts/bottle green pleated skirt
or bottle green tracksuit.

Shoelaces – students unable to do up shoe laces should have velcro or buckles on all shoes.

School Hats (broad brimmed) are compulsory throughout the year for all students.

Students not wearing hats will be restricted in play to shaded areas only.

Hats are available for sale from the office.

- Summer uniform is to be worn in Terms One and Four;
- Winter uniform is to be worn in Terms Two and Three;
- Students wearing the correct Summer/Winter uniform will be eligible for STARR Awards in our merit system.
- Students wearing combinations/variations of both Winter and Summer uniforms will be considered “out of uniform”;
- Students who wear coloured sports shoes will be considered ‘out of uniform’;
- The correct seasonal uniform will be displayed (photograph) in prominent positions within the school to promote the correct uniform to be worn during the term;
- Sport uniforms are to be worn on specific sports days only;
- All students are to wear black school shoes (leather or plain black jogger). It is recommended that plain black joggers be worn for sport as well as normal school days – cost effective for parents;
- School branded sunglasses are part of school uniform (available from the office).