

Mitcham Girls High School

Uniform Policy

Rationale

After consultation with the school community and each of its representative groups including the SRC, the School Governing Council has developed a Dress Code that provides choice for students; is affordable and allows them to engage safely in the many varied school activities. The School Dress Code allows for the easy identification and safety of our students and applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.

Aims

- To support the Vision, the Guiding Principles and the Goals of the school.
- To promote a sense of pride in students as members of the school community
- To promote equality in all students in the school
- To provide durable clothing that is attractive, cost effective, safe and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation

Standard Uniform

- A range of items will be provided in the Uniform Shop that can be worn as the summer, winter and sports uniform in the appropriate combination as outlined in the School diary.
- The school dress code is required to be worn by all students.
- Information about the School Dress Code and appropriate foot wear, including prices and places of purchase will be provided at the time of enrolment, published in school documents and on the school website and promoted at Open Day/Night.
- Arrangements will be made to supply Dress Code items to families experiencing hardship.
- Students who do not comply with the Dress Code will have the option of borrowing an item of clothing from Student Services or reporting to the Focus Room.
- Repeat incidents of non-compliance will be dealt with through the Behaviour Management process.
- Blazer, shirt and tie packages are available for selected students to wear for events in and out of the school, where students are acting as school ambassadors. The allocation of these will be via the Student Services Office.

Uniform - Alternatives for School and/or Co-Curricula activities

- Groups that wish to wear alternatives or additions to the approved Uniform Dress Code, including all items that are worn to promote a school activity or represent a school group, need to comply with the following criteria:
 - Must be presented to and approved by the Uniform Committee within a reasonable time frame that allows for consultation, design and production.
 - Must be provided by the current uniform supplier wherever possible.
 - Comply with DECD WHS guidelines.
 - Where possible, be in, or a combination of, the school colours (navy blue, blue, maroon, green or white).
 - Approved items can be worn at school for the duration of the activity.
 - House Sports Captains can wear their T-shirts to promote the Swimming Carnival and Sports Day during term 1 as well as when competing in House Sports. As school leaders they may also choose to wear them as required for their role.

Casual Days

- On school approved casual days, clothing needs to comply with the following criteria:
 - Comply with DECD WHS guidelines.
 - Appropriate and safe footwear must be worn at all times.

The Governing Council endorses this policy.

Evaluation

This Policy will be reviewed in consultation with the whole school community as part of the school's review cycle.