Uniform Policy K – Year 6

Churchlands Primary School

RATIONALE
A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

PURPOSE OF THE POLICY
To promote equality amongst all students
To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school
To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment
To maintain and promote the positive image of the school in the community

1. Policy Statement

a) *All schools have dress requirements for students which are developed by School Boards in consultation with students, their parents and staff of the school.*
b) *Support and assistance are provided where there are difficulties in complying with school uniform and dress code requirements. School dress advisory panels assist schools with ongoing non-compliance.*
d) *The Principal may grant exemptions and sanctions as provided in Regulations 35 and 36 of the School Education Act 1999 and according to processes approved by the School Council as part of the school's dress requirements.*
e) *Denim items must be excluded from all school dress codes and uniforms except where a school has been granted a general exemption for its senior students.*

Adapted from the Department of Education Dress requirements of students

2. Uniform Guidelines

- ***School Uniform:*** Navy shorts/skorts, navy school pants, aqua polo-style T-shirt, aqua school windcheater, School dress with sleeves, navy tights or leggings, broad brimmed navy hat.
- ***Kindy students:*** Optional wearing of the CPS Kindy T shirt.
- ***Year 6 students***: Optional wearing of their graduation shirt and graduation jumpers.
- ***Shoes/socks:*** Closed shoes to be worn with plain coloured ankle socks in school colours. Thongs, crocs, high boots or footwear with high heels are not permitted to be worn to school.
- ***Sports Uniform:*** House faction shirts are to be worn on nominated days throughout the year.
- ***Music Uniform***: Voice Choir and Orchestra students will be required to where the applicable music uniform as directed by the Music teacher - Voice shirt or Orchestra long sleeve white shirt, black pants, Tie, black hair accessories, black shoes and socks.
- Acceptable ***jewellery*** items are limited to watches, stud or sleeper earrings or jewellery of religious or cultural significance.
- ***Hair*** that is at shoulder length is to be tied back – hair accessories are required to be in school colours

- ***Smart watches*** with phone capabilities are to be used in line with the Churchlands Primary School Mobile Phone policy.

- ***Nail polish*** is not to be worn to school

- ***Optional items are:*** Navy school rain jacket (not to be used as an alternative to the school jumper) navy school bag.

Note: A "NO HAT, NO PLAY' policy operates all year round.

The ***P&C Uniform Shop*** operates a new and second hand uniform shop that is open Tuesday mornings from 8.15am – 9.00am.

3. Supporting detail and documents

ENROLMENT
Parents and students will be informed of the Churchlands Primary School dress code at the time of enrolment. **Acceptance of enrolment at this school assumes an agreement between the school, the parent/guardian and the enrolling student, that the student will dress within the guidelines of the school dress code**. Any grounds for exemption should be raised and agreement reached at this time. If the dress code is unacceptable, parents have the right to apply for admission to a school where the dress code reflects their preference.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES
Families who may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should contact the Principal to seek a solution.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE DRESS CODE:
Parents of students who for religious or health reasons, may wish to modify the school dress code, are required to make an appointment with the Principal or a Deputy Principal. Staff will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.

SANCTIONS
Students not complying with the dress code will be counselled and resolution of their concerns sought. Non-compliance with the dress code where exemptions have not been sought, will result in a student being prevented from attending any activity where the student is representing the school, in school or out of school hours, this includes representative teams of participants or spectators in areas of sport, drama, music, excursions, incursions and school social functions.

EXEMPTIONS
The grounds for exemption or modification relate to student health, cultural considerations, religion or any other matter which, in the principal's opinion, is sufficient to exempt a student from dress code requirements.

The exemption must be negotiated with the principal at the time of enrolment. Provision for temporary exemptions will be made to accommodate new students and the non-availability of components of dress code items, or where there is significant change to student circumstances.

A copy of any exemption record will be provided to the student's parents and teachers, and placed on the student's file.

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