



Lake Clarendon State School

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Dress Code – Appearance Policy

As endorsed by the Lake Clarendon State School P&C Association, this is a 'school uniform' school.

All students are expected to wear school uniforms.

Our student dress code consists of an agreed standard which includes the wearing of a school uniform when:

- attending or representing their school
- travelling to and from school
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Our student dress code reflects our school community standards and balances the rights of individual students with the best interests of the whole school community. It is consistent with health and safety considerations and anti-discrimination legislation. We offer gender neutral uniform options for all of our students.

Attire should be suitable for outside and inside activities.

- Footwear shall be flat-soled and enclosed (no skaters allowed)
- Hats shall offer protection to all the head including face, ears and back of the neck. (We do have a 'bucket hat' available from uniform shop)
- Underwear shall not show outside or through clothing.
- Hair shall be clean, tidy with no extreme colours or appearance (tracks, rats tails etc) and tied back for certain tasks and activities. (safety/health)

School Uniform

Boys: School Shirt (available from our uniform shop)
Navy shorts (rugby knit or Gabardine)
Hat – bucket hat (available from our uniform shop)
Navy tracksuit for cold weather
Lace-up shoes/joggers

Girls: School Shirt (available from our uniform shop)
Navy skirt/shorts/skort (rugby knit or Gabardine)
Hat – bucket hat (available from our uniform shop)
Navy tracksuit for cold weather
Lace-up shoes/joggers

Jewellery

Jewellery should compliment the uniform not distract from it (appearance). Wearing of jewellery is discouraged on the basis of safety. The following items are deemed acceptable and not acceptable.

Acceptable Jewellery

- 1 pair of earrings (stud/sleepers only – safety)
- 1 significant/personal/discreet/simple necklace – concealed by shirt (medical and safety)
- 1 watch
- 1 significant/personal/discreet/simple bracelet/bangle (medical/safety)

Unacceptable Jewellery

- Any facial piercing (health/safety)
- Any jewellery that exceeds the acceptable guidelines (appearance/health) or is considered a high risk, eg. large or dangling earrings(safety)
- Any accessories, which could be considered offensive by staff, students, parents and members of the community.
- In certain environments some or all jewellery must be removed (health/safety/appearance)
 - o School excursions, or when representing the school in the community (appearance)
 - o Practical areas including (but not limited to) Health and Physical Education, Sport, Drama, art, Science (Health and Safety)

Teachers will direct students to remove jewellery in these instances. Responsibility for jewellery when removed rests with the student. Failure to comply with teacher directions in this regard will result in referral to the Principal/or exclusion from the particular learning activity. Continued failure to follow a directive will result in action taken by the Principal.

Make-Up and Nail Polish

The wearing of make-up is discouraged (no eye make-up or lipstick). Wearing of sunscreen is encouraged. Only clear coloured nail polish is permitted.

Conclusion

Students who comply with the guidelines help their individual image and the collective image of the school, and are demonstrating regard for their own health and safety and the health and safety of others. Students who choose not to comply with the guidelines are demonstrating a lack of respect for school guidelines and the health and safety of others and, as such, are in breach of the school's Student Code of Conduct.

We do accommodate special needs and unusual circumstances of students (medical). Parents need to inform the school of these circumstances on enrolment.

A student's non-compliance with school's student dress code requirements is not a ground for suspension, exclusion, or cancellation of enrolment from our school. However, other appropriate disciplinary consequences (such as withdrawal) can be applied in response to a student's non-compliance.

When applying a disciplinary consequence for non-compliance with the student dress code, a student will not be prevented from participating in essential curriculum activities except where necessary for reasons of safety (in which case, alternative educational activities are provided), nor receive a sanction that damages the student's academic or external career prospects (such as mentions in references or school reports), or disadvantage the student where the required student dress code items are not available because of circumstances beyond the control of the student and/or the student's parent.