

Student Dress Code Policy

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Rockbank Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information dress code implementation and exemption processes.

Students dressed in school uniform gain a sense of identity and pride in their school. School uniform creates a positive and easily recognisable identity for our school and students. The cost of providing school uniform is usually cheaper than providing an assortment of casual clothes and helps to prevent bullying and competition on the basis of clothing. School uniform ensures the appropriate type of clothing is worn to school and reflects the expectations of our students to the wider community. All students regardless of socio-economic circumstances can feel equally part of the school community.

Scope

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

Policy

Rockbank Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are as follows:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	COLOUR
Shirts	Polo Shirt	Red
	TShirt	
Tops	Windcheater	Red
	Windcheater Jacket	
	Year 6 Jumper or Polo	Black
Bottoms	Track pants	Black
	Plain black cotton shorts/	
	Black school netball skirt	
Dress	Summer Dress	Red & white
	Winter Dress	Red & White
Shoes	Runners	Any
	School shoes/boots (flat soled)	Black
Hats	Legionnaire or wide brimmed	Red
	school hat	
	School beanie	Red
Hair Accessories	Ribbons, hair bands	Red or black
	Turban	Note: Bows are to be small.
	Hijab	Larger bows are not to be worn.

Jewellery	Earrings	Studs/sleepers Note: For health and safety reasons these can only be worn in ears
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General Appearance & Restrictions

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Rockbank Primary School students must comply with the following:

1. Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
2. Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
3. Bicycle shorts, branded jumpers, branded pants or branded jackets are not permitted
4. Long nails or false nails are not permitted as they pose a risk to other students during activities such as PE and playtime
5. Make up is not permitted
6. Long hair must be tied back at all times
7. Thongs, slippers and open toed shoes are not permitted to be worn at school, as they are inappropriate and pose an Occupational Health and Safety risk. As are shoes with holes and loose soles
8. Coats can be worn outside
9. Students can use any type of school bag

Sun Safety

School uniform hats must be worn outside in terms 1 and 4. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal or Assistant Principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: <https://www.ssr.net.au/>

Exemptions to Student Dress Code

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

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The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

Further Information & Resources

- Rockbank Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Rockbank Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Rockbank Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#)