



Wattleview Primary School

Student Dress Code

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Wattleview Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Wattleview Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Wattleview Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

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.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Wattleview Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

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

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair

Jewellery and cosmetics

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.

Hair and Sun safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

School uniform hats must be worn outside in Term 1 & Term 4 and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible. Sunglasses are optional and are not a part of our school uniform.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from the office at school.

Wattlevue Primary School also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents once a term.

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/>

IMPLEMENTATION

Wattlevue Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

Students wearing non-compliant uniform items may be asked to change into a compliant item of clothing provided by the school.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, the parents/guardian will be contacted by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Wattlevue Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

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 in writing 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

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

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.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Wattlevie Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, please contact the Principal.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Wattlevie Primary School's Sunsmart Policy
- Wattlevie Primary School's Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

REVIEW CYCLE

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year cycle or as needed to comply with DET policy changes.

Certification

- This policy was endorsed by School Council at the meeting held on/..../.....
- This policy was endorsed on **20/11/2019**

Signed.....

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Principal

School Council President

APPENDIX A: WATTLEVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS

ITEM	SIZES AVAILABLE	Size	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
Art Smock	S,M,L		\$20.00		
Bags - Backpack			\$45.00		
- Folio/satchel			\$10.00		
Beanie & Scarf Set	One Size		\$15.00		
DRESS (SUMMER)	4,6,8,10,12,14		\$45.00		
DRINK BOTTLE			\$10.00		
HATS – Broad Brim (Limited Stock)	S,M,L		\$15.00		
- Hybrid	S,M,L		\$15.00		
- Bucket	S,M,L		\$13.00		
HEADPHONES			\$10.00		
JACKET – Bomber (Unisex)	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$45.00		
PANTS – Bootleg (Limited Stock)	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$30.00		
- Double Knee Tracksuit	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$30.00		
- Girls Leisure Pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$30.00		
POLO Shirts – Short Sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$22.00		
- Long Sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$25.00		
RAIN JACKET	4,6,8,10,12,14,S,M		\$25.00		
SHORTS	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$25.00		
SKORTS	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$25.00		
TUNIC (Limited Stock)			\$45.00		
WINDCHEATER	4,6,8,10,12,14,S		\$30.00		
TOTAL \$					