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Uniform Policy

Purpose

The Wirreanda Secondary School Uniform Policy has been developed by our school community including students and approved through the Governing Council. Choosing to enrol at Wirreanda Secondary School, students and families are accepting to follow our uniform policy. Our Uniform Policy documents the standard of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by students at Wirreanda Secondary School.

Policy Outline

Building a community of learners proud to be part of our school community, our uniform committee has worked to establish a uniform that is flexible and comfortable, appealing to students and promote a positive image of the school and can create a sense of identity among students and the community.

Considerations Our Uniform Policy has taken into consideration:

- the health and safety of students when engaged in a wide range of physical activities and weather conditions
- equal opportunity legislation, to ensure the uniform is inclusive of, but not limited to, considerations based on gender, disability, religion and culture
- current DfE policies and procedures intended to improve the learning environment and outcomes of students so that schools are supportive, positive, non-discriminatory, equitable and safe.

Uniform Committee

The school Uniform Committee is composed of staff, students and parents and is responsible for reviewing the uniform, collecting feedback from students and addressing feedback from families. The committee is responsible for reporting to the Governing Council.

School Uniform



Other Items

In addition to the options available through our Uniform Shop, the following clothing items may be purchased from other sources. Shorts should be navy and extend to at least midway between the knee and thigh. Please note that leggings and denim jeans are not part of the school uniform. All clothing must be plain, featuring only the Wirreanda Secondary School logo. Therefore, items with brand names, logos, stripes, or panels are not considered part of the school uniform.

Footwear

Enclosed shoes must be worn and be sturdy enough to protect feet. Thongs and Ugg boots are not permitted. This is to comply with Work Health and Safety regulations. Sports shoes should be hard wearing cross trainers.

Suncare

The Cancer foundation recommends that all those participating in outdoor activities should wear a broad brimmed hat, use SPF 15+ or above spectrum sunscreen, and wear appropriate

Australian Standard sunglasses. Other beanies/caps, if worn at school, must be removed before entering learning spaces.

The Wirreanda Secondary School Governing Council and staff reserve the right to discuss and negotiate with students, parents or guardians the Uniform Policy including the wearing of jewellery, make-up and fashion styles deemed inappropriate for school wear.

Non-Compliance

All students are expected to wear the Wirreanda Secondary School uniform. Leadership will work with families on a case by case basis when students are not in uniform. Structures (including loan uniforms and assistance for families to purchase new uniforms) are in place to ensure all parents or guardians can collectively support this expectation. Parents or guardians are encouraged to communicate with House Leaders if assistance is required.

Roles and responsibilities (may not be applicable for all policies)

Principal

Make sure:

- this policy is clearly communicated and accessible to all students, staff and families
- there is a process for regular review of the policy.

School staff

• Ensure students are adhering to the policy and follow up with students and families for non-compliance.

Students

Comply with the requirements of the school's policy and follow all reasonable directions from the Principal and school staff.

Parents or guardians

Support the implementation of the school's policy, including the consequences for

non-compliance with the policy.

Communication and review

Outline:

how consultation has been undertaken with students and the broader school

community to develop this policy, and how consultation will occur when it is time to

review the school's policy

• where the school's policy can be accessed

• how often the policy will be reviewed or the next review date.

Supporting information

It's recommended that you provide links to any other policies and procedures that may

interact with your local policy on student use of mobile phones and personal devices such as:

• school behaviour code, behaviour support policy

school anti-bullying policy

• BYOD policy, ICT user agreements.

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Person Responsible: Assistant Principal - Student Culture