



# Pomona State School

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## Student Dress Code

Pomona State School's Student Dress Code has been developed in accordance with the relevant legislation, both State and Commonwealth. It consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing and includes a specified school uniform.

Pomona State School P & C Association supports school staff to promote 100% adherence to the wearing of the school uniform in the following instances:

- Attending or representing their school during school hours;
- Travelling to and from school; and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Pomona State School P & C Association and Pomona State School staff support a Student Dress Code policy because it believes that student dress codes provide clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- Ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- Fostering a sense of belonging;
- Developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences; and
- Eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school

Pomona State School's Student Dress Code reflects school community standards and is consistent with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation.

School staff will actively encourage all students to take pride in themselves and their school. One way in which this may be achieved is through adherence to the school's Student Dress Code. As the parent/carer and provider of your child, we seek your support in this matter.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel worn by students that is deemed to be:

- Offensive, i.e. slogans and inappropriate language printed on the clothing, or revealing
- Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence normal school operations, i.e. popular branded clothing often results in competition and unnecessary peer pressure between students (particularly girls);
- Unsafe for the student or others, i.e. inappropriate footwear; and
- Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of students or others.

In circumstances where inappropriate or unreasonable dress is worn, appropriate actions will be taken. These sanctions are reflective of the severity and recentness of non-compliance and may include one of the following:

- Detention (Reflection Room) during lunch
- Preventing the student from attending or participating in activities for which the student is representing the school
- Preventing the student from attending or participating in any activity that is not an essential educational program.

In resolving matters of the Student Dress Code

- Newly enrolling families will be given sufficient time to purchase items of the uniform
- Arrangements will be made in circumstances of economic hardship
- Alternative arrangements will be allowed for a set period of time upon receipt of a written request
- Opportunities to wear relevant items of the Student Dress Code from a bank of items held at the school are available

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- Conscientious objections raised on any reasonable cultural or religious grounds will be considered

Where there are individual cases of conflict with the Student Dress Code or the persistent failure of a student to uphold the code

- Items of clothing from the bank of school uniforms held at school will be offered
- The student’s parents will be informed and discussion between parents, school staff and the students will focus on how to prevent a recurrence

Pomona State School’s Dress Code includes and is limited to

<b>Girls</b>	<b>Boys</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Navy blue and gold collared shirt (embroidered logo)</li> <li>▪ Navy blue skorts, shorts or long cargo pants</li> <li>▪ Navy blue fleecy long sleeved pull over (embroidered logo)</li> <li>▪ Navy blue bucket hat (to be worn for all outside activity including lesson breaks, Physical Education, walking between classrooms where undercover is not available). The brim measures 6 cm and meets the requirements of Pomona State School’s Sun Protection Policy.</li> <li>▪ House coloured sports collared shirt with embroidered logo (to be worn on special sports days and Fridays. Coloured shirts other than the official uniform shirt are not permitted.)</li> <li>▪ Closed in footwear such as joggers or school shoes (no boots, sandals or thongs are allowed for safety reasons)</li> <li>▪ Jewellery (other than stud or sleeper earrings and a watch) and cosmetics are not to be worn at any time</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Navy blue and gold collared shirt (embroidered logo)</li> <li>▪ Navy blue shorts or long cargo pants</li> <li>▪ Navy blue fleecy long sleeved pull over (embroidered logo)</li> <li>▪ Navy blue bucket hat (to be worn for all outside activity including lesson breaks, Physical Education, walking between classrooms where undercover is not available). The brim measures 6 cm and meets the requirements of Pomona State School’s Sun Protection Policy.</li> <li>▪ House coloured sports collared shirt with embroidered logo (to be worn on special sports days and Fridays. Coloured shirts other than the official uniform shirt are not permitted.)</li> <li>▪ Closed in footwear such as joggers or school shoes (no boots, sandals or thongs are allowed for safety reasons)</li> <li>▪ Jewellery (other than stud or sleeper earrings and a watch) and cosmetics are not to be worn at any time</li> </ul>

All decisions about changes to the school uniform are made in conjunction with Pomona State School P&C Association.

**P&C Endorsement**

*The P&C of Pomona State School resolves that it supports a student dress code for Pomona State School because it believes that a student dress code at Pomona State School promotes the objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Bill 2006.*

*In particular, the P&C of Pomona State School supports the intention of this Student Dress Code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:*

- *Ready identification of students and non-students at school;*
- *Fostering a sense of belonging;*
- *Developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences; and*
- *Eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school*

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