



VICTORIA POINT STATE HIGH SCHOOL

APPENDIX

SCHOOL DRESS CODE



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EDUCATION (GENERAL PROVISIONS) ACT 2006: School Uniform

The Act now enables a school to develop a dress code to apply when students are attending or representing the school.

The dress code may stipulate standards of what is acceptable in relation to clothing, including headwear and footwear. It can also relate to other aspects of the personal presentation of the students.

Schools must consult with parents, staff and students in developing the dress code and must ensure the dress code is consistent with Departmental guidelines.

Permitted sanctions for non-compliance with the dress code include detention; preventing the student from attending or participating in any activity for which the student would have been representing the school; or any school activity that is not part of the essential educational program of the school.

VICTORIA POINT STATE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT UNIFORM

Victoria Point State High School is a Uniform School. The Parents & Citizens Association has endorsed the school's Student Dress Code and students are expected to meet this expectation which includes a Dress Standard that reflects and represents the school community whilst:

- attending and representing the school;
- travelling to and from school;
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

PURPOSE

The School Dress Code contributes 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 a mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences;
- accounts for health and safety risk/s in student participation in curriculum activities.

The School Dress Code reflects our school community ethos of:

- bringing divergent groups of individuals together as on identity;
- living our school's values of respect, integrity and responsibility;
- valuing and aspiring to excellence and the highest standards underlying attitude of success at school;
- a means for each and every student to have a strong sense of pride and belonging;
- identification regardless of social or economic difference that a dress standard conveys.

DRESS STANDARDS

The Dress Standard refers to quality assurance of students. The Dress Standard reflects and represents the community's quest for the highest levels of personal esteem and high regard by the broader community. This includes the following qualities and behaviours:

Qualities	Behaviours
Aspirations for excellence and success by and for all students	Students who are aspirant carry themselves well and seek to promote qualities of, and align themselves to, the image of success and strive to be successful.
Values of respect, integrity and responsibility	Students who demonstrate personal modesty, cleanliness and pay attention to wearing the prescribed items of clothing convey personal attributes of self-discipline, belonging and striving for highest standards.
A school culture of high expectations and one identity	Regardless of social difference students wearing the prescribed items of clothing are assured of being consistent with occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination, and Sun Safety.
A universal school identity	Students do not subscribe or bow to common contemporary fashion, emerging or established cultural or sub-cultural identity, detracting from the aspirations or values of a united school community.
Students accept this dress standard, and items of clothing as exhaustive to what is acceptable	Students acknowledge that sufficient opportunity arises in social contexts outside school where personal and individual preference can be exercised. This includes their personal appearance such as jewellery, make-up and hair colours inconsistent with this dress standard.

The School Principal will assist any parent/caregiver upon personal application, with the provision of a loan uniform for parents/caregivers facing difficulty.

A published School Dress Code is provided to all staff, students and parents/caregivers.

Uniform Shop Opening Hours: 8.00am – 11.00am Monday – Thursday

UNIFORM MANAGEMENT

Uniform Management is overseen by all school staff in some capacity. A written note is to be provided by a Parent or Caregiver if requesting a temporary exemption to the Student Dress Code and signed off by either a Dean or HOD of Student Engagement. All requests will include the attempted provision of a loan uniform for the short term period.

Requests, in writing for any period of length and special consideration of an individual student's uniform/presentation must be made to, and approved by, the Principal, through the Deans or HOD of Student Engagement. All requests will include the attempted provision of a loan uniform for the stated period. These requests may include:

- permanent or temporary damage to an item of the school uniform;
- on-going weather
- family situations
- medical reasons

Repeated patterns of requesting a temporary exemption may be deemed as no longer acceptable reasoning and referred to the HOD Student Engagement.

The communication of an individual student's uniform/presentation infringement will be recorded in ID ATTEND and either signed off by the classroom teacher for infringements requiring students to remain in class or sent down to Student Administration for correction of shoes, socks and non-uniform items. Where possible, loan shoes and uniform items will be provided for the day and students are expected to change into correct uniform and return the items at the end of the day to ensure the school's Dress Code is upheld.

If provisional uniform items are not available, Parents or Caregivers may be contacted to supply correct items for students to wear. If students are in incorrect socks, students will be provided with new socks and parents/carers will be invoiced for this amount. If the Parent or Caregiver is unable to correct the uniform item on that day, or unable to be contacted, the student may be withdrawn from classes and work for timetabled lessons will be provided and completed under Deputy Principal supervision.

Workplace Health and Safety impacts on all school activities. The Student Dress Code accounts for health and safety risk/s in student participation in curriculum activities. Any student who breaches health and safety codes for participation in the learning environment must follow the guidelines of each Faculty's Management Plan.

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JUNIOR SECONDARY: YEARS 7, 8 and 9 SENIOR SECONDARY: YEARS 10, 11 and 12	
FORMAL UNIFORM ... worn daily by all students (with exception of Sports Uniform on Tuesdays for Juniors and Wednesdays for Seniors)	
MALE Dress shirt to be worn tucked in at all times Navy Shorts (belt loop) / Dress Trousers (belt loop) to be worn with a black leather belt Short navy socks with white banding	FEMALE Dress shirt worn as an over blouse Navy Skirt / Navy Culottes / Navy Tailored Slacks Short white socks with navy banding
WINTER UNIFORM OPTIONS	
MALE Navy jumper or bomber jacket with school branding Navy microfibre jacket in school design Long navy trousers (belt-loop) Navy microfibre tracksuit pants in school design	FEMALE Navy jumper or bomber jacket with school branding Navy microfibre jacket in school design Long navy tailored trousers Navy microfibre tracksuit pants in school design Navy tights in a plain pattern
A tie is additional to the Senior Secondary Formal Uniform. For School Leaders an optional Leader Blazer may be worn with the Formal Uniform.	
SPORTS UNIFORM	JERSEY: Year 12 Students Only
MALE AND FEMALE Polo Shirt in school colours Unisex shorts in school colours Worn by all students during practical lessons within the Health and Physical Education Department. Students must return to their formal uniform prior to continuing their school day. Worn by all students to, during and from inter-house carnivals. Students can wear their sports uniform on Tuesdays (Years 7-9) and Wednesdays (Years 10-12) to, during and from school.	(optional by order) Can be worn daily by students except when representing the school at functions. When wearing the Year 12 jersey in any form, inside or outside school hours and grounds, students are representing Victoria Point State High School and must abide by the expectations of the Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students. Writing displayed on Year 12 jerseys will be First or Surname as appears on OneSchool (alternative requests at discretion of principal). It is expected that jerseys are named, clean and in a good state of repair.
SPECIALIST UNIFORM	
Prescribed Performance Uniforms for Instrumental Music students are only to be worn by performance members when representing the school in their specialist field at official performances, competitions and events.	
Academy shirts are worn only by official members when representing their specialist field. The Academy shirt is to be worn as stated for the formal uniform. Students will wear their shirts, to during and from official performances, competitions, location activities and events attended before and after school whether on school grounds and off-site during school hours. Students engaged in physical lesson activities may wear the Academy shirt whilst in their specialist subject. It is expected that students will return to correct uniform prior to continuing their school day.	

A written note in the Student Planner is to be provided by a Parent or Caregiver if variations to the Student Dress Code are required and signed off by the Deans or HOD of Student Engagement. Requests, in writing for long term variations of an individual student's uniform/presentation must be made to, and approved by, the Principal.

GENERAL DRESS CODE INFORMATION

SHOES

Students must wear plain black enclosed leather type shoes or plain black enclosed leather type joggers. They must have no other visible markings or white or coloured soles.

Gym shoes, suede shoes, chucks, canvas shoes, ballerina shoes or similar are not acceptable.

Students or parents should contact the school directly should they have a query before making a purchase.

HATS

The school hat or cap must be worn when participating in any school organised outdoor activities, inclusive of oval and multi-purpose court facilities.

Non-school hats are not permitted.

JEWELLERY

ACCEPTABLE

Wrist watches - only plain watches may be worn.

Piercings

One pair of small, plain sleepers or studs in gold or silver worn only in the ear.

One small facial stud (inclusive of tongue piercings) which is gold, silver or clear and is unobtrusive, for example, not pointed.

Pendants

A pendant may be worn only if it offers special medical information or is of recognisable religious or cultural significance. Such pendants are to be of sufficient length so as to be worn inside the blouse of shirt and not be visible.

UNACCEPTABLE

- earlobe stretchers or extenders;
- decorative earrings;
- facial rings, piercing bars or pointed piercings;
- bracelets / bangles;
- watches (decorative);
- rings;
- anklets.

Non-policy jewellery items to be handed into the HUB

The School Administration reserves the right to determine which piercings are unacceptable based on Workplace Health and Safety Regulations and may request the piercing be removed specifically if the piercing is new and breaches the Student Dress Code.

HAIR

Hair should be neat and tidy and natural in colour.

Hair longer than shoulder length must be securely tied back.

A ribbon, scrunchie or plain headband may be worn in the school colours (white, navy or teal).

No other colours or styles are acceptable.

Boys are to remain clean shaven.

OTHER FEATURES

Make-up

Only plain, skin coloured foundation can be worn (natural look).

Nail polish

Only clear or natural nail polish is to be worn.

Badges

Only school approved badges are to be worn. All badges are to be worn on the school ties but not covering the school logo.

Tattoos

Tattoos must be covered at all times.

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