



CATHEDRAL COLLEGE WANGARATTA

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Uniform Policy

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RATIONALE

Every one of our students is an ambassador for our College in the broader community. Their appearance reflects both the standards and values of The College, and their attitude to their College. A clear and consistent uniform policy helps The College set and maintain high standards and strong compliance is required to achieve our aims.

AIMS OF THE UNIFORM POLICY

- To create a sense of belonging, equality and unity within The College community.
- To engender pride in personal appearance
- To provide a uniform that is attractive and functional, and meets the needs of stakeholders
- To ensure that the general appearance of students is neat, tidy and creates a good impression of The College in the wider community.
- To clearly distinguish our students from others both within and outside the school environs.

BACKGROUND

At Cathedral College Wangaratta we strive to develop self-motivation and self-discipline in our students and maintaining high standards in their personal appearance is an important aspect of this. Students need to have a clearly defined College dress code and be provided with the necessary items to comply with the code.

Parents should familiarise themselves with The College Uniform Policy, ensure their children have all necessary uniform items and encourage them to do their best for themselves and their College in complying with the dress code.

PROCEDURES

The uniform should always be worn completely and correctly, and be well fitted, clean and in good repair. Students are considered to be subject to this policy whenever they are wearing their uniform, either at school, on the way to or from school, on excursions and at any events outside school hours. It continues to apply if students go home and then out again still wearing their uniform.

On sports or non-uniform days, the grooming requirements still apply.

During Homeroom and Classroom meetings, teachers will review students' uniforms.

Sanctions will be imposed against habitual offenders. Where a student has a legitimate reason for being temporarily out of uniform, parents should provide a written explanation.

The school may require a student to purchase an item of uniform from the uniform shop if he or she appears to be unable to comply. In extreme cases, the student may be asked to go home until the problem is corrected. In such cases, parents will be notified.

DISCRETION

In some instances there may be a real and valid reason why a child cannot comply with one or more of the uniform requirements, either permanently or temporarily. If it is a short-term problem, a note from the parent will avoid any unnecessary issues. If it is an ongoing problem, parents should contact the relevant Head of School who may exercise discretion in the matter.

POLICY REVIEW

A committee comprising a Council representative, parents, students and staff members, who will pass recommendations to Council for approval, will review this policy every three years.

Summer Uniform

Worn from the start of year until winter transition (Anzac Day to Mother's Day) and in Term Four

Boys' Summer Uniform		Girls' Summer Uniform	
School Shirt	Short sleeve open neck sky blue with emblem (no tie)	School Dress	Sky blue with cardinal, navy & white check
Shorts	Light grey tailored cut. (Elastic waist available for junior boys)	Shorts	Navy tailored cut with emblem
		School Blouse	Sky blue with cardinal, navy & white check with emblem
Socks	Mid grey anklets	Socks	Sky with school colours
Shoes (Yrs Prep-Twelve)	Black leather lace up Derby or Oxford style	Shoes (Yrs Prep-Twelve)	Black lace up or T-bar with closed heel and toe
Shoes (Yrs. Prep-Two)	Optional Velcro strap	Shoes (Yrs Prep-Two)	Optional Velcro strap Mary-Jane style
School Hats			
Junior School - Broad brim navy with College Crest Middle and Senior School - Bucket style navy with red piping and College Crest Years Nine and up - Optional Navy peak cap with red piping and College Crest			
Blazer			
The blazer is not compulsory in Terms One and Four; however, students must wear their blazers for all school photos, the Eucharist, Carols, Presentation Ceremonies and all other special occasions. Blazers are to be worn to and from school for all of Terms Two and Three			

Winter Uniform

Transition is from Anzac Day to Mothers' Day. Winter uniform is then worn until the end of Term Three

Boys' Winter Uniform		Girls' Winter Uniform	
Blazer Navy with College Crest.			
Shirt Long sleeve mid blue chambray with emblem			
College Ties Junior School - Plain navy Jacquard with College Crest Middle School through to Year Ten - Navy with red and blue stripes and College Crest VCE (Years Eleven-Twelve) - Blue, red and navy stripe with College Crest			
Trousers (Years Prep – Twelve)	Grey Melange. (Elastic waist available for Junior School boys)	Pinafore (Jnr School)	Navy plaid pleated with (removable) bib
		Skirt (Middle & Senior)	Navy plaid pleated
		Slacks (Years Prep-Twelve)	Charcoal tailored cut
Socks	Mid grey anklets	Tights / Socks	Navy tights or Navy knee-high socks
Shoes (Yrs Prep-Twelve)	Black leather lace up Derby or Oxford style	Shoes (Yrs Prep-Twelve)	Black lace up or T-bar with closed heel and toe
Shoes (Yrs Prep-Two)	Optional Velcro strap	Shoes (Yrs Prep-Two)	Optional Velcro strap Mary-Jane style

Sports and Other Uniform Items (Boys' and Girls')

Other Compulsory Items		Optional Items	
Backpack	Navy with emblem (Junior & Senior sizes)	Pullover	Navy wool with College colours and emblem
Art Smock (Yrs Prep–Three)	Navy with elasticised neck and wrists	Anorak	Navy with College Crest (for wet weather).
		Sports Zip Jacket	Navy with sky blue and red stripes and College Crest. Only worn with sport uniform
Sports Uniform		VCE Rugby Top	Red with navy and sky blue stripes and College Crest. Years Eleven and Twelve.
Polo Shirt	Sky blue and navy with College Crest	Haversack	Navy with College Crest (Junior School)
Shorts	Navy with College Crest	Sports Bag	Navy with College Crest (Senior School)
Rugby Top	Navy with red and sky blue with white collar and College Crest	Beanie	Navy with College Crest
Track Pants	Navy with College Crest (Primary and Secondary styles) (Optional for years Six to Twelve)	School Cap	Navy with College Crest (Years Nine – Twelve only)
Socks	White with College colours	Scarf	Navy with College Crest
Shoes	Quality cross trainers with non-marking soles	Gloves	Navy wool & nylon
		Knicks	Navy for under dresses
		Belt	Black leather with silver buckle

Changeover to Winter/Summer Uniform

Essentially, summer uniform is worn in Terms One and Four, while winter is worn in Terms Two and Three; however, as autumn days are still very warm, summer uniform will be worn until Anzac Day. From Anzac day there is a transition period where either full summer or full winter uniform may be worn until Mother's Day (second Sunday in May).

Winter uniform should be worn from the Monday following Mothers' Day until the end of Term Three. Again, there will be a two-week transition period at the start of Term Four when either

full winter or full summer uniform may be worn. These dates will be confirmed in the newsletter each year.

The blazer is to be worn for all of Terms Two and Three

Blazer

The blazer is our formal item of uniform and students are required to wear it on all special occasions such as the Eucharist, Induction Ceremonies, the Presentation Night, Carol Service, and at many other occasions both during and after school. The blazer is a compulsory part of the uniform in Terms Two and Three and optional in the warmer months of Terms One and Four, although it will of course be required for special occasions and for all school photos during these terms.

Students are to wear blazers to and from school and to all formal Assemblies and Chapel Services from the start of Term Two until the end of Term Three (unless instructed otherwise).

The jumper may be worn underneath the blazer on colder days. At school, the blazer may be removed and the jumper worn for warmth.

In recognition of their special station, Year Twelve students' blazers are trimmed in a braid of the College colours. Parents are therefore encouraged to ensure that blazers are in good order in the lead up to VCE as it is not practical to trim a blazer that is shabby or too small for the student.

The braid is removable so that the blazer can still be handed down to younger siblings or sold.

Anorak for Wet weather

A school anorak is an optional item available for wet weather. It may be sized to fit over the blazer, or worn alone over the uniform. It does not replace the blazer which is still required at school each day during Terms Two and Three.

Shoes

Plain, black leather classic Derby or Oxford style lace up school shoes are to be worn by all students.

Girls have the option of wearing plain, black T-Bars,

Students in Prep – Two may prefer the option of Velcro fasteners.

Older boys (years 11 and 12) may wear a dress shoe – again in the Derby or Oxford style.

The maximum heel height is 30mm, and shoes should be clean, polished and in good repair.

Dress and skirt length

Dresses and skirts must be at least to top of the patella (knee-cap) but skirts should not be worn longer than mid-calf.

Shorts and Trousers

Both shorts and trousers are to be worn on the waist, with the shirt neatly tucked in. Where necessary a belt may assist with this. The boys' summer shirt and girls' blouse may be worn out when not being worn with a blazer. Trousers should sit on the top of the shoe.

Ties

Both girls and boys wear ties with the winter uniform. They are to be tied neatly at the neck, with the top shirt button done up.

Different tie designs signify the students' journey through Junior School, Middle School and VCE.

Hats

Cathedral College Wangaratta is a Sun Smart school. Hats are compulsory for all students in Terms One and Four, and may be required for outdoor events and activities at other times of the year.

Junior School students wear broad brimmed hats, while Middle and Senior students wear the bucket style hat. Years Nine to Twelve may choose to wear the school cap.

Sports uniform

The sports uniform is designed for comfort and practicality. It is especially important that it be worn completely and correctly in presenting our image at external events. Where appropriate, team uniforms are provided for inter-school or other external competitions.

The sports uniform must be worn for all Physical Education classes and sporting activities.

Junior School students (Years Prep to Five) should wear their sports uniform to school on the days that they have PE or sport activities. All other students (ie Years Six – Twelve) must wear their full uniform to school each day, changing for sport as necessary.

Hats are mandatory at all times when outside in Terms One and Four and at other times when advised or when common sense indicates.

Commemorative Clothing

Year Twelve students may wish to personalise a VCE rugby jumper in order to commemorate their final year schools. Nicknames are not allowed on such items, and the printing and / or embroidery will be signed off by the Year Level co-ordinator. These jumpers may be worn with school uniform as agreed with the year 12 co-ordinator.

Special Clothing

Art/Craft and Science - For protection of the uniform, each student should wear an art smock, laboratory or dustcoat as appropriate. Years prep to 3 are required to provide their own art smocks however the College provides class sets where appropriate for all other year levels.

Jewellery & Decoration

Generally, jewellery worn to school can be a hazard to the wearer and others, and valuable jewellery in particular is a responsibility students should not have to deal with while at school.

The school cannot be responsible for any jewellery that is lost or damaged at school.

- Earrings – up to two small, plain studs or sleepers may be worn in each earlobe.
- No other visible body piercing is allowed
- A watch may also be worn.
- Rings, bracelets bangles neck chains and necklaces are not to be worn
- Nails should be clean short and natural.
- Make up is not to be worn.
- Tattoos are illegal under the age of 18 and are not permitted at school.

Hair

The rules regarding hair apply to both female and male students

Well-groomed hair is essential in our overall presentation. Neat, short hair, or long hair tied back, is also best for hygiene and safety reasons.

Students' hair must be worn in a neat and conventional style, should be a natural colour. Hair which falls below the bottom of the collar at the back of the neck must be tied back, keeping it off the face and neck.

Hair accessories (ties, scrunchies, headbands, ribbons or clips) should be dark navy or white.

Facial Hair

Boys should maintain a well-groomed appearance by shaving as required. Facial hair is not acceptable at school.

Excursions, Camps & Tours

When the school is out in the public view it is essential that we present well, and can be easily identified as a group for safety reasons.

Depending on the nature of the excursion, either full academic or full sport uniform will be required, and on certain occasions, casual dress will be more appropriate. Teachers will advise the dress requirements for each excursion.

Unless specifically stated, bags other than the school backpack or sports bag are not acceptable.

Identification

The school uniform represents a significant investment, and it is only sensible to ensure it is well maintained and secure.

All items of uniform should be clearly and securely labelled with the students' full name to ensure articles can be returned promptly if misplaced. Nicknames, initials or symbols may be meaningful and clear to you, but they will not help to ensure that your item is returned to you.

Uniform Supply

Noone Imagewear is the sole supplier of our uniform (other than shoes), and it is available through the campus uniform shop. The shop has regular weekly opening times as advised in the newsletter and on the website, and is open at additional advertised times for uniform changeover, or by arrangement. Online shopping is available or orders may be emailed directly to the uniform shop.

The shop also carries a range of good quality second hand uniform items, and school merchandise.

We encourage and welcome students to come in to shop for themselves – the shop staff will be happy to assist them.

Discretion

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