

Whyalla High School Policies



Policy: Dress Code

Background:

The Whyalla High School community believe that wearing school uniform benefits the whole school community by:

- Developing a sense of belonging and pride in the school
- Reducing costs and competition associated with alternative clothing
- Assisting with safety and care of students through easy identification both within school grounds and whilst participating in excursions, field trips, camps, sporting events and other events where the school is represented.

Policy Statement

The School Governing Council, on advice from the Uniform Committee, determines the School Dress Code. The Committee has staff, parent and student representation. All students attending Whyalla High School are required to wear school dress code. Consequences apply in relation to persistent and wilful breaches of the code. Students elected to leadership positions within the school must be exemplary in their school dress.

Whyalla High School colours are navy blue and white.
Students are expected to be neatly attired in the school uniform at all times.

Dress Code

Unisex

Rugby Top	Navy Blue Rugby top with white trim & collar with Whyalla High School monogrammed logo.
Boss Top - fleece	Navy Blue with Whyalla High School monogrammed logo.
Polo Shirt	Navy blue and white with WHS monogrammed logo.
Cap/Hat	Peaked or wide brimmed cap/hat - with monogrammed Whyalla High School logo.
Footwear	Black, white or navy blue shoes/sneakers in plain styling. Sandals (or other footwear which does not enclose upper part of foot) may not be worn in Technical Studies, Science, Art and Home Economics areas, where Industrial Safety Regulations apply.
Socks	White with navy trim and WHS print or plain white

Girls

Shorts	Navy blue sports (as supplied) with WHS monogrammed logo.
Pants	Black dress pants or track pants with WHS monogrammed logo.
Dress (optional)	Blue check dress – can be ordered if required

Boys

Pants	Grey surf pants or black track pants with WHS monogrammed logo.
Shorts	Navy blue sports shorts (as supplied) or grey surf shorts with WHS monogrammed Logo.

Note: A plain white T-shirt (long or short sleeves) or skivvy may be worn under the school polo shirt.

Hair, Jewellery and Make-Up

Excessive make up, including coloured nail varnish, is not permitted to be worn. Hair is to be neat and tidy.

Only the following items of jewellery may be worn:

- A single neck chain (worn inside clothing and not visible).
- Up to three plain rings.
- A single plain arm bracelet (including those for medical purposes).
- Small plain ear sleepers or studs.
- A watch.

Unacceptable Items

- Facial piercings and tattoos
- Artificial hair colours (eg pink, green, blue, purple ...)
- Any non-uniform items including jackets, hoodies, leggings, track pants.
- Coloured tops under school polo shirts
- School uniform items that have been shortened – Please note school dresses and shorts must remain long enough to sit just above the knee.
- Unsafe footwear (eg thongs, ugg boots, backless shoes, sandals, ballet flats)

HAT POLICY

Students are required to wear protective hats during terms one and four for all outdoor activities organised by the school (such as those listed below) or as directed by the Principal and/or teacher -

- Recess and lunch breaks where no shade is available
- All outdoor physical education and sport activities
- Excursions and camps where outdoor activity is included

Hats are to be removed in the classroom.

Additional notes:

- Motifs or logos other than school emblems are not acceptable on items of school uniform.
- Students who are out of uniform will be required to change or will be sent home to do so. Some loan clothing is available for short term use.
- Assistance is available to families having financial difficulty in meeting the school uniform requirements.

Responsibilities

Parents

- To support the school uniform policy by providing school uniform clothing to their children.
- To communicate suggestions for improvement to the school uniform policy to the Governing Council.

Students

- To support the school uniform policy by wearing school uniform clothing.
- To report to Care Group Teacher if not in uniform.
- To communicate suggestions for improvement to the school uniform policy to the Governing Council via the SRC.

Care Group Teachers/Year Level Managers

- To support the school uniform policy by recognising and encouraging students who wear school uniform.
- To refer students to the year level leader if not in uniform.
- To communicate suggestions for improvement to the school uniform policy to the Governing Council via staff representatives.

Principal

- To support the school uniform policy.
- To keep the Governing Council informed about issues relating to school uniform.

Governing Council

- To determine the school uniform policy taking into account the views of students, parents and staff.
- To periodically review the school uniform policy.