

# Student Dress Code

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## School Uniform and Dress Code

<http://ppr.det.qld.gov.au/education/management/Pages/Student-Dress-Code.aspx>

By Departmental Regulation, the wearing of the school uniform is compulsory, and the daily wearing of our school uniform is endorsed by the Parents and Citizens Association. Parents/carers are asked to support this. Students neatly attired in school uniform are a source of pride for themselves, the school, their families and their community.

We aim to ensure that our uniform 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 mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences
- Reflecting local community standards
- Consistency with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation

Uniform guidelines incorporate Sun Smart requirements and Workplace Health and Safety requirements. Inappropriate dress for West End State School students is:

- Offensive
- Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence normal school operations
- Unsafe for student or others and/or
- Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

Uniforms are available from the West End State School Uniform Shop, located on the ground floor of the Administration building. The Parents and Citizens' Association Uniform Convenor co-ordinates the sale of new and second hand uniforms from the Uniform Shop. Opening hours are:

Monday	8.30am-9.30am
Thursday	2.30pm-3.30pm.

If these opening days fall on a public holidays, the uniform shop will open the following day at the same times, ie Tuesday 8.30am-9.30am or Friday 2.30pm-3.30pm.

Uniform orders may also be placed online through Flexischools ([www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)).

Alternatively, items can be purchased completing the Order Form (available from the school website) and dropping it into the secure Parents and Citizens Association box in the Administration Office.

### **UNIFORMS**

Our student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing, which includes a school uniform that West End State School students wear when:

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

Parents/carers who cannot provide a school uniform for their child should make an appointment to see the Principal/Deputy Principal.

**The following uniform items are available from the Uniform Shop:**

**ALL STUDENTS**



Item	Detail
Summer	Unisex navy and sky blue short sleeved polo shirt with school logo or Unisex navy and sky blue long sleeved polo shirt with school logo Unisex navy shorts with sky blue side strips
Winter	Unisex navy and sky blue baseball jacket with pockets and school logo Size 2 Long fleecy navy pants with elasticised ankles Size 4-14 Long pants with double knee and pockets Navy tights/stockings may be worn under unisex navy shorts with sky blue side strips.
Hats	A wide-brimmed hat in navy blue with school logo printed on front.



**YEAR 6 STUDENTS**

Item	Detail
Senior Shirt	Unisex navy and sky blue short sleeved polo shirt with school logo and SENIOR on back. To be worn as an alternative to the unisex navy and sky blue short or long sleeved polo shirt.

**SPORTS UNIFORM**

Item	Detail
Friday Afternoon Sport	Team jerseys provided if required, to be worn with school shorts (above) and school football/sports socks, otherwise full school uniform.
Football/Soccer Socks	Navy blue football/soccer socks for the appropriate sports
Swimming Lessons	Any colour speedos or swim trunks (boys) or any colour one piece swimsuit (girls), with a sun-safe 'rash' shirt. A swimming cap is essential. Goggles are optional.
School Sports Carnivals	Plain house coloured shirt. To be worn as an alternative to the unisex navy and sky blue short or long sleeved polo shirt.

## PERFORMANCE UNIFORM

Item	Detail
Senior Choir	For any performance events, the members of this choir will be provided with a performance shirt to be worn with long black pants and black closed-in shoes. Long pants and shoes not provided.
All other music/band/choir groups.	For any performance events, full school uniform is to be worn unless advised otherwise.



### The following uniform items are NOT available from the Uniform Shop:

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Socks	Plain navy or plain white socks								
Shoes	Black leather or closed in sports shoes								
Performance	Black long pants and black closed-in shoes for Senior Choir students only.								
Sport	Plain house coloured shirt: <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Kurilpa</td> <td>Blue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chullawong</td> <td>Green</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dungar</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Baruga</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> </table> Swimming costume Sunsafte Rash Shirt	Kurilpa	Blue	Chullawong	Green	Dungar	Yellow	Baruga	Red
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**Please ensure that all articles of clothing are clearly named.**

### Non-Compliance with Dress Code

A student's non-compliance with the school's student dress code requirements is not grounds for suspension, exclusion or cancellation of enrolment from school but it may lead to the Principal:

- Imposing a detention
- Preventing a student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student is representing school or
- Preventing a student from attending, or participating in, any school activity that is not an essential school education program

Consideration would be given to:

- Mobile families requiring sufficient time to purchase items of dress.
- Economic hardship requiring special arrangements, or an extended period of time, to purchase new items of dress
- Students with physical impairments requiring great flexibility in interpretation of dress codes
- Conscientious objections, for example, objections raised on any reasonable religious or cultural grounds

Conflict around wearing the West End State School uniform could be resolved through:

- Alternative arrangements for a set period of time upon receipt of written request from parent/carer and opportunities to wear relevant items of dress code from a bank of items held at school
- Offering appropriate item/s from a bank of clothing/uniforms held at school
- Taking action that prevents risk to student or others, or action that maintains normal school operations.
- Informing student's parents/carers of incident and discuss further with parents/carers, representatives of school and student to prevent a recurrence and implementing a process of conflict resolution or mediation if student persistently wear inappropriate dress after discussions have been held with parents/carers.

## Hat Policy

We have a sun safety policy NO HAT, NO PLAY. The wide brimmed school hats must be worn during lunchtimes, at any time during Specialist Physical Education lessons, excursions or class lessons outdoors.

## Hair Accessories

The school encourages pins, ribbons, hairbands etc. be of West End State School uniform colours.

## Jewellery and Valuables

The wearing of jewellery, except for stud or sleeper earrings, watches and medical/allergy jewellery, is not permitted as in some situations it may be dangerous or a hazard under the workplace Health and Safety Regulation.

Parents/carers seeking an exemption to wear religious or cultural items are required to apply in writing to the Principal, who will consider the application and make the final decision. It is a factual decision based on evidence of whether there are reasonable cultural or religious grounds to permit the exemption. This written request to the Principal for exemption to the dress code will be kept on record to allow a student to wear devotional jewellery.

It is advisable that no valuable personal items (including mobile phones, electronic games, music players) be brought to school for security reasons. Please also see the "Mobile Phone Policy" available on our school website.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- School uniform must be worn correctly – undershirts/singlets may be worn but should not be visible.
- Neat, clean appropriate attire must be worn at all times
- Fully enclosed footwear must be worn at all times