

UNIFORM & APPEARANCE POLICY



Uniform and Appearance Policy 2020

Purpose:	The purpose of this policy is to outline the Wisdom College's response to matters in relation to family law issues.	
Scope:	The policy covers parents/carers, students and staff and describes how the school responds to requests by parents/carers who have no contractual arrangements with the school for information about, and access to, their child(ren).	
References:	 Wisdom College Enrolment Policy Wisdom College Privacy Policy Wisdom College Staff Handbook Wisdom College Student Handbook 	
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Rationale

Wisdom College dress code stipulates the wearing of the full and correct uniform and a high standard of personal grooming. The school uniform contributes in a meaningful way to ensure that each student has pride in being a member of Wisdom College community.

Values

Wisdom College recognises that wearing the school uniform is an important part of creating a sense of community, as well as a sense of identity for students as part of the school community. This promotes a sense of pride in students' appearance. It also promotes equality of expectation for each child, and supports the School's position with regards to being 'sun safe'.

Policy Statement

Wisdom College is a uniformed school with zero tolerance on uniform offences. School uniforms can be purchased from the school's uniform shop. All major credit cards are also accepted as payment by the uniform shop operators.

It is expected that students will wear correct uniform whilst travelling to and from school as well as at school including examination days, official functions and excursions (except when specific exemption has been given by the Principal).

Students representing the school at sporting events should wear the school tracksuit if competing and the school uniform if not competing. Students who fail to wear the correct sporting uniform may be prevented from representing the school. The uniform should be clean and worn neatly.

Students will be asked to comply with the correct uniform, or may be sent home in accordance with the zero tolerance on uniform. Students who are unable to wear the correct uniform at

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any time must approach the Year Level Coordinator at the beginning of the school day. Coordinators will issue the students with a uniform pass for the day. For repeated offences students may not be allowed to return to school until all proper uniform and personal appearance is complied with. A student who has forgotten one item (e.g. tie, shoes, and socks) may be exempted for the day, but this is considered a uniform infraction. Students with multiple infractions will be disciplined. Parents may not excuse students from compliance with uniform policies. Uniform and appearance of students will be checked regularly. Parents will be informed through a formal letter or via CoolSIS if students are reprimanded for uniform offences. Students may be, at the discretion of the Year Level Coordinator, disciplined or sent home. Items that do not comply with uniform and appearance regulations will be confiscated. Additional requirements regarding uniform expectation:

- Students must wear the uniform designated for their year.
- Shoes must be black lace or unlaced leather shoes of plain conventional design. Laces are to be tied tightly with a bow at the top. The backs must always be firm to support the heel. Shoes must be in good order and polished. (one-inch high heels maximum allowance for girls' shoes)
- Students wishing to wear additional clothing for extra warmth in winter must ensure this is not visible either above or below shirts.
- Hair should be neat and tidy. No hair dye is allowed. Girls should tie their hair up if it is longer than shoulder length with appropriate school coloured bands. Boys are not to have undercuts. No extreme hair styles to be observed.
- All boys of shaving age are to be clean shaven prior to attending school. Skirts should be no shorter than mid-calf/three quarters.
- Students wishing to wear a cap or hat must wear the school cap or hat. Caps/hats are not to be worn indoors.
- No visible makeup including nail polish is to be worn (with the exception of clear lip balm if needed) and no jewellery/adornment (except for a watch, sleepers or studs for

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girls on the ear lobe) is to be visible while students are in school uniform.

• Chewing gum is not permitted in school grounds.

Primary School Uniform

Boys

Primary boys formal uniform consists of navy shorts/long pants with the school logo and a pale blue, short sleeved, button up shirt with the school logo embroidered on it. Students are required to wear their formal uniform and all black leather shoes at all times, except on days that are allocated for sports lessons. Sports uniform consists of a pale blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) with long navy track pants. During colder months students are required to wear the school's navy zip up jumper with the school logo.

Girls

Girls primary uniform consists of a blue checkered dress with navy and burgundy collar and trimmings. The dress is to be below knee length and worn with long navy tights or stockings. Students are required to wear white socks with all black leather school shoes. Formal uniform must be worn at all times, except on days that are allocated for sports lessons. Sports uniform consists of a pale blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) with long navy track pants. During colder months students are required to wear the school's navy zip up jumper with the school logo.

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High School Uniform

Boys

Summer uniform is only to be worn in Terms 1 and 4 only and the winter uniform is only to be worn in Terms 2 and 3 only. This means that long sleeve winter shirts and ties are not to be worn during Terms 1 & 4. Also, short sleeve summer shirts will not be accepted during Terms 2 & 3.

Years 7-10 Years 11-12 Summer Uniform (Term 1 & 4 only) White short sleeve Wisdom College shirt Grey trousers School jumper and jacket (if needed) Light blue short sleeve Wisdom College shirt Navy trousers School jumper and jacket (if needed) Winter Uniform (Term 2 & 3 only) White long sleeve Wisdom College shirt Wisdom College tie Grey trousers Navy Wisdom College jumper Wisdom College jacket Light blue long sleeve Wisdom College shirt Wisdom College tie Navy trousers Light blue Wisdom College jumper Wisdom College jacket Sports Uniform White Wisdom College polo shirt Navy blue Wisdom College tracksuit pants White socks White running shoes Navy Wisdom College hat (to be worn in terms 1 & 4) School jumper (if needed).

Girls

Summer uniform is only to be worn in Terms 1 and 4 and the winter uniform is only to be worn in Terms 2 and 3.

Years 7-10 Years 11-12 Summer Uniform (Term 1 & 4 only) Light blue 3/4 sleeve Wisdom College blouse Blue/Grey Skirt (mid-calf in length) Navy school jumper and jacket (if needed) Navy long knee high socks or stockings Light Blue headscarf (optional) Light blue 3/4 sleeve Wisdom College blouse Navy skirt (mid-calf in length) Senior school jumper and jacket (if needed) Navy long knee high socks or stockings Navy headscarf (optional) Winter Uniform (Term 2 & 3 only) Light blue 3/4 or long sleeve Wisdom College Blouse Blue/Grey Skirt (mid-calf in length) Navy school jumper (with logo) Navy school jacket (with logo) Navy knee high socks or stockings Light blue headscarf (optional) Light blue 3/4 or long sleeve Wisdom College Blouse Navy skirt (mid-calf in length) Grey school jumper (with logo) Senior navy jacket (with logo) Navy knee high socks or stockings Navy headscarf (optional) Sports Uniform White polo shirt (with school logo) Navy Blue tracksuit pants (with school logo) White socks Sports shoes (mainly white in colour) School jumper (if needed)

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Responsibilities

Principal and Staff Responsibilities:

Wisdom College will inform parents of the Uniform Policy when they enrol their child and include a copy of the Uniform Policy in the Student and Parent Handbook.

Wisdom College will inform parents that participation in school events, excursions, carnivals, or activities is dependent upon the student complying with the Uniform Policy.

Staff members at Wisdom College are conscious of their role in implementing the Uniform Policy by setting an example in their own neatness and appropriateness of dress.

The Principal may grant an exemption for an individual student from wearing all or part of the uniform for a designated period of time, subject to the receipt of satisfactory written explanation from the student's parent.

Parent Responsibilities

Parents are to ensure that students are in correct uniform. All uniform items are to be clean, pressed where appropriate, in good condition and well fitting.

Student Responsibilities

All students are to take pride in their personal presentation and their school identity by wearing the approved school uniform at all times.

Students need to take a shared responsibility for complying with this Uniform Policy, to be positive role models for other students.