

SCHOOL DRESS CODE



Rationale:

The Seaview High School-Dress Code is approved by the Seaview High School Governing Council and applies to all students. It is based on the school colours of navy blue, burgundy and white.

The uniform identifies students as belonging to the Seaview High School community and reflects the values and expectations of our school. The uniform has been determined by Governing Council, after consultation with the school community. It is designed to be inclusive, provide choice for a variety of weather conditions and support the safety and wellbeing of our students.

Seaview High School's Dress Code is consistent with the Department for Education's Dress Code administrative instructions and guided by our school values: **Respect, Empathy, Resilience and Integrity**. Students are expected to uphold these values and wear the school uniform as proud members of their community.

Aims:

- to promote a sense of a pride and belonging to the school
- to be inclusive and provide choice
- to promote safety and security within the school grounds by ensuring students are readily identifiable

Wearing School uniform:

It is an expectation that all students wear the approved uniform during school hours, including while travelling to and from school and when representing the school in out-of-hours activities and/or off campus events and excursions.

The Seaview High School uniform is available from the contracted supplier and provides a convenient, quality and value for money service to the school community. Families do have the option to purchase items from other suppliers, providing they are exactly the same as the items identified within the school's Dress Code policy. For matters relating to uniform purchase, financial hardship, cultural or religious needs, please contact a member of the school executive leadership team.

A complete list of approved uniform items is available on the school's website at www.seaviewhs.sa.edu.au.

We encourage labelling items with the student's name to aid recovery if items are lost.

Please note: Uniform items for PE are only worn by students during those lessons. On the completion of the lesson students change into the approved school uniform.

The Special Interest Program uniforms may only be worn by students enrolled in the program and whilst involved in the programmed lessons, either at school or in competitions.

Health and Safety:

Guidelines regarding clothing, footwear and nail length are aligned to the safety guidelines specified by the Department for Education, Department of Industry and the Work, Health and Safety Act.

Shoes are required to be all black, enclosed, leather or leather-look school shoes, with a defined low heel. These styles comply with the H&S safety requirements to access all learning spaces within the school.

As a guideline, nails, including acrylic and gel nails are recommended to be no longer than 2 mm long. This is to protect self and others from injury.

Long hair can represent a risk in some practical settings. It needs to be tied back in all Design and Technology subjects, including Food and Hospitality as well as during Science practicals.

Seaview High School acknowledges that exposure to the sun causes damage and for this reason a hat is included in the school uniform and sports uniform. Students are encouraged to wear the school hat when participating in outdoor activities, PE, SIS, Tennis and School Sport.

Miscellaneous:

- Discrete jewellery that ensures the personal safety of students is acceptable. The school understands that jewellery of cultural significance or sentimental value is important to some students and these can be worn under the school uniform, providing they are not visible. Medic Alert jewellery is exempted.
- Students who choose to wear make-up should wear neutral and natural tones
- Additional clothing items worn under the uniform must not be visible.

Non Compliance:

Students who are not in uniform will be offered a change of clothing or sent home to change.

Non-compliance is dealt with through the Behaviour Support Process.

Evaluation:

Uniform items are reviewed as required by a committee of Governing Council, students and staff to ensure they remain adequate to the needs of the students.

This policy will be reviewed regularly in consultation with the whole school community.

This Policy was last ratified by Governing Council in	June 2022
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