



# Hughesdale Primary School

## Student Dress Code Policy

**Ratified at school Council;  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

**Due for Review; June 2020**

**Authority (Principal);**

**Authority (School Council President);**

1. **PURPOSE**

To foster school identification, school spirit and unity.

To provide guidelines to parents and students on correct student dress for school, sport and excursions.

2. **GUIDELINES**

Wearing school uniform is compulsory for all students, subject to any exemption granted by the principal in accordance with Appendix A.

To promote uniformity, all school uniform items that carry the school logo should be purchased from the school uniform shop.

Students are expected to wear school sun hats as outlined in the Sun Smart Policy.

The uniform shop will coordinate, order and sell the school uniform.

The school will accept donations of second-hand uniform items of reasonable quality to the uniform shop for resale at a discounted price.

Students must wear appropriate and safe footwear. Open-toed, slip-on or high-heeled shoes are not permitted.

Where visible, socks should be bottle-green, black or white.

If students choose to wear a beanie, it should be a school beanie with logo.

Hair longer than shoulder-length must be tied back.

All students in Level 6 will be given the opportunity to purchase a graduation top.

Members of sporting teams must wear correct team uniform. If a sporting team requires any article of clothing (excluding footwear and socks) in addition to the sports uniform as listed below, this will be provided by the school (eg football or soccer jumpers, or netball skirts).

Members of Summer and Winter sport teams may attend school in sports uniforms on sport days.

Students in Levels 5 to 6 must wear correct sports uniform to participate in any interschool sporting activities.

Students may not wear decorative jewellery, such as dangling earrings, necklaces and bracelets.

Students participating in sporting activities should remove any jewellery they are wearing.

Students must not wear make-up.

All articles of clothing should be identified with the relevant student's name.

The school will notify parents via pro-forma letter if their child breaches the Student Dress Code Policy.

The school will publish this policy in the Level information packs and in the newsletter in Term 1 and late Term 4.

The school will place any found uniform items in the Lost & Found collection, for students and parents/guardians to search through.

On a regular the school will wash any unclaimed and unnamed uniform items in the Lost & Found Collection, and donate them to the uniform shop.

In the school yard, students may wear close-fitting, wrap-around sunglasses that meet the Australian Standard 1067.

Students should wear correct uniform on excursions, unless otherwise advised by the school.

Any family experiencing difficulty or economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the Dress Code Policy can apply to the principal or nominated representative for relief.

**3. Related Documentation:**

DET Student Dress Code Policy

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/management/Pages/developing.aspx#link98>

#### **4. Related Policies:**

##### **Sun Smart Policy**

#### **Appendix A**

Grounds of exemption to the Dress Code Policy include:

An aspect of the code:

- Prevents students from being able to attend school or participate in school activities on the same terms as other students because of the personal characteristics referred to in Human Rights and Anti-discrimination Requirements
  - - a religious belief held by the student, parents or carers
  - - prevents students from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural background
  - The student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
  - The student or the parents or carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.
- When parents/guardians or students approach the principal for an exemption, the principal:
- Considers the grounds for exemption
  - Explains the exemption process to the applicant guarantees that issues of a personal nature revealed to substantiate the request will be strictly confidential
  - Encourages the applicant to support their case with evidence.

The principal seeks to negotiate a resolution that:

Is acceptable to all parties and may include:

- - a modification of the dress requirements rather than a complete exemption
- - granting assistance to allow compliance with the dress code without embarrassment -
- - or stigma (for example, when the exemption is sought for economic purposes)
- - conditions under which the exemption is allowed.

The principal:

- Grants an exemption, or
- Provides reasons in writing when an exemption is not granted.

The principal keeps a written record of all the decisions made and the reasons provided, in case there is clarification required.

#### **Appendix B:**

##### **School Uniform**

Green or yellow polo shirt with school logo \*\*  
Green or yellow skivvy  
Green school shorts and culottes \*  
Green track suit pants, green bootleg pants and green cargo pants \*  
Green check dress. (Summer) \*  
Green pinafore (optional), available on order \*  
Green windcheater and bomber jacket with school logo \*\*  
Green sleeveless vest with school logo \*\*  
Green raincoats (optional), available on order (students may wear alternative raincoats during inclement weather conditions)  
Legionnaire or broad-rimmed sun hat with school logo \*\*  
Green beanie with school logo \*\*  
Bottle-green, black or white socks, or bottle-green tights  
School bag with school logo \*\*  
Level 6 Graduation top (optional), available on order \*\*

##### **Sports Uniform**

Green-and-yellow-striped sports top with school logo \*\*  
Green shorts  
Sports socks

\*\* These items must be purchased from the school's uniform shop.

\* Parents/guardians and students are encouraged to buy these from the school's uniform shop.