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Woolloowin State School Uniform Policy

Purpose

Woolloowin State School is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environment where all students feel a sense of belonging and pride. Our school uniform plays an important role in building community spirit, promoting equality, and ensuring students can fully participate in all aspects of school life.

This policy outlines expectations for student dress and appearance, ensuring equity, affordability, and respect for cultural, religious, gender, and individual needs. It is our aim that all students at Woolloowin State School wear the full school uniform to school every day.

The P and C Association of Woolloowin State School resolves that it supports a school uniform policy because it promotes the objectives of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*.

Principles

1. Equity and Access

- The uniform will be affordable and accessible to all families.
- Financial hardship should never prevent a student from wearing the school uniform.
- Families experiencing challenge, are encouraged to contact the school to discuss support options.

2. Inclusion and Choice

- Students and families may choose uniform items that best suit their needs, including gender-neutral options.
- Reasonable adjustments will be supported for cultural, religious, or medical reasons.

3. Safety and Practicality

- The uniform is designed to be practical, comfortable, and suitable for learning and play.
- Footwear and hats must meet health and safety requirements.

4. Respect for School Identity

- Wearing the uniform promotes a sense of pride and belonging in our school community.
- Students are expected to wear the **standard** school uniform when attending school and on official school activities, unless otherwise advised.

Woolloowin State School Uniform Expectations

Standard school uniform

- Woolloowin blue checked dress
- Woolloowin blue checked shirt or navy school polo shirt
- navy blue school shorts or skort

Footwear and Hat

- Black closed in shoes
- White ankle socks
- Navy blue school hat
- Red bucket hat (Prep only)

House Uniforms

- Worn once a week on PE days and events such as athletics carnival, swimming carnival, etc
- Bunderra yellow, Tamaroo red or Kunara green house shirt with navy blue school shorts or skort

Winter Uniform

- Woolloowin blue checked dress with navy tights
- Woolloowin blue checked shirt or navy school polo shirt with navy pants
- Woolloowin zip up jumper

Swimming

- Fitted swimming costume
- Bathing cap
- Rashie or sun shirt
- No board shorts, T shirts, or two-piece swimsuits

Band

- Woolloowin blue school polo shirt with navy blue school shorts or skort.
- Knee high white socks
- Black closed in shoes
- Navy blue school hat

Hair and Jewellery (also applies to Free Dress Days)

- If hair is past shoulder length, hair should be tied back;
- No extreme haircuts;
- Natural hair colour;
- Hair should be neat and presentable;
- Studs or sleepers only. No long earrings;
- Watches may be worn to school at the student's own risk;
- Smart watches may not be used for calling or texting and notifications must be switched off
- Signet rings may be worn, but no other jewellery is permitted, including necklaces, bracelets (unless identity bracelets for health reasons), anklets, etc
- No wristbands are to be worn to school.
- Make up and nail polish should not be worn to school unless permission has been given by the principal, for school play, etc
- No tattoos - permanent or temporary should be visible.

School representation

The Woolloowin State School uniform should be worn in a neat and tidy manner. No coloured t-shirts or any other articles of clothing should be visible or showing under the uniform. Lost buttons or ripped seams should be repaired as soon as possible. Students must always present themselves in

this manner, including traveling to and from school. Whilst wearing this uniform, students are an active representative of our school.

Free Dress Days

Students should:

- wear clothes suitable to participate in normal school activities;
- wear sun safe clothes including shirts with sleeves;
- wear closed in shoes;
- not wear clothing with inappropriate or offensive words or images.

School Bags

A Woolloowin State School bag is available to purchase from the school. While the bag is not compulsory for students to use, it:

- Has a number of practical compartments;
- Matches the school uniform;
- Shows a student takes pride in their school.

Compliance and support

- Students are encouraged to wear the full school uniform each day.
- Families experiencing challenges are encouraged to speak with the Principal or Administration to arrange assistance, such as access to second-hand uniforms or payment plans.
- Non-compliance will be managed sensitively, with a focus on understanding and support.

Consequences for the non-compliance of the Woolloowin State School student uniform policy

- Parents/guardians will be contacted by the school to discuss a student not wearing the correct uniform.
- Parents/guardians may be asked to provide the correct uniform if the child presents at school incorrectly dressed.
- Student will be offered appropriate item/s from a bank of uniforms held at the school if possible.
- Repeated breaches of the uniform policy, without reason may result in lunch time reflection with the Deputy or Principal.
- Alternative arrangements may be possible upon the receipt of a written request from a parent/guardian.

Some possible reasons for alternative arrangement include:

- Economic hardship requiring special arrangements, or an extended period to purchase.
- Students with physical impairments requiring greater flexibility in interpretation of the uniform policy.
- Conscientious objections, e.g. objections raised on reasonable religious or cultural grounds



Consultation and Review

This policy has been presented to the Woolloowin State School P&C for consultation and feedback. It is shared with families through the enrolment pack and school communication channels. The policy will be reviewed every three years, or earlier if needed.