



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact (03) 5358 1811.

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Concongella Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Concongella Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Concongella Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- ensure comfortability and accessibility to all students and their families
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.



Uniform

Concongella Primary School's compulsory uniform items are as follows:

Jacket-School Logo	Dark Navy Polo-School Logo	Teal Sports Polo-School Logo
		Specialists Days (Tuesdays)
		External Sporting events
Navy Shorts	Navy Skort	Navy Tracksuit Pants
Blue Dress	Bucket Hat-School Logo	Footwear
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Health and Safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of lice and for student safety.

Jewellery, nails, hair accessories and similar items that interfere with students' ability to engage with school activities safely and fully are not permitted.

School uniform hats must be worn outside in term 1 and term 4. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are to be worn outside only.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

Purchase of Uniforms

Uniform items can be purchased from the administration building at school.

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the <u>Help with school costs and fees</u> page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government. If your child is starting prep or year 7 and is eligible to receive support via the <u>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund</u>, you may be eligible to access the Affordable School Uniform (ASU) program.

Please contact the principal Amy or our Business Manager Eleisha to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

Implementation

Concongella Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and uEducateus on a yearly basis. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties with this policy where possible.

Exception To Student Dress Code

We acknowledge that there might be instances where the dress code could impact students differently.

Students and their parents or carers may discuss an exemption to the Student Dress Code in person with the Principal if:



- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code

Concerns About This Student Dress Code

Concongella Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy* which is available from our administration.

Communication

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website and uEducateus platform
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed with student leadership
- Included in staff handbook/manual
- Discussed at staff briefings/meetings as required
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

Further Information and Resources

- Concongella Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Concongella Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Concongella Primary SchoolStudent Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training Student Dress Code
- Department of Education and Training Student Engagement policies and guidelines.

Policy Review and Approval

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