



Hervey Bay State High School

Uniform Policy



In accordance with sections 360-363 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, Hervey Bay State High School has developed a dress code that is issued to all students and parents on enrolment. This code has been negotiated with our school community and is reviewed annually. This code will continue to develop in line with the principle of access and participation, respect for others, responsiveness and sensitivity, and community expectations. The aim of this code is to provide students and parents with options that promote self esteem as well as school pride.

All parents would be aware that we are a uniform school and that the Junior School uniform (Years 7, 8 and 9) is different from the Senior School uniform (Years 10, 11 and 12). Seniors have a choice of different shirts while the juniors have a unisex shirt. It is a requirement of Workplace, Health & Safety that footwear must provide adequate protection - sandals, scuffs and thongs are **NOT** acceptable. Students with an injured foot must wear closed-in footwear on the 'good' foot.

Uniforms do change and have done so in the last decade a number of times. The main purpose of a uniform is that it identifies the person as a member of our community and secondly it removes the competitive element from dress style, presenting students more equally. Sadly due to our main road location, the incidents of outsiders walking into our grounds have increased, and our school uniform ensures that these people are quickly and easily identified by staff.

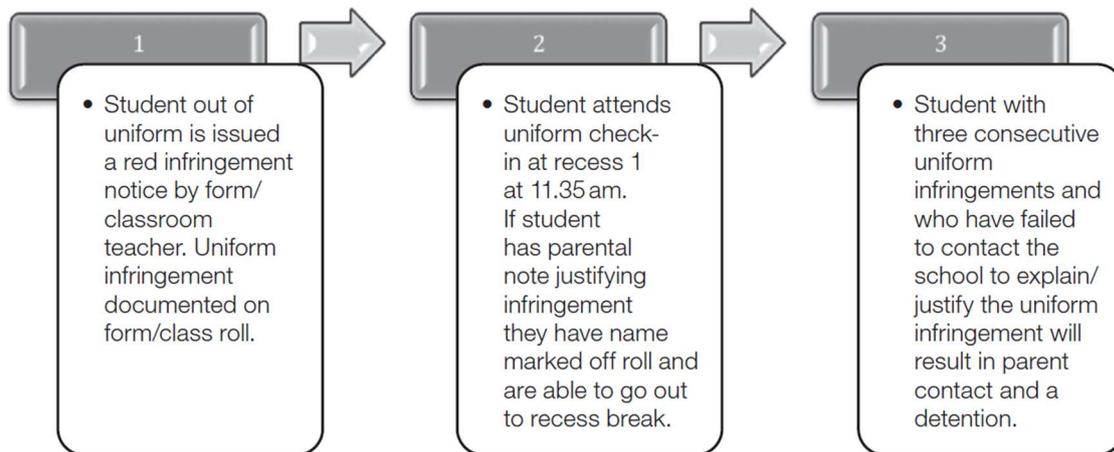
Non-compliance with this Code

There are two categories. These are;

- (a) ***Inappropriate dress*** - refers to clothing / apparel that a student wears which could be deemed to be;
- offensive;
 - likely to disrupt or negatively influence the normal operation of the school;
 - unsafe for the student or others;
 - likely to result in a risk to health of the student or others.
- (b) ***Reasonable dress*** — refers to clothing or apparel that is socially acceptable but does not conform to the school dress code. If a student does not comply with the dress code, the Principal may impose one of the following sanctions;
- a. in the case of 'inappropriate clothing / footwear', the parent will be contacted and a change of uniform brought to school, or the student will need to go home. This includes tights unless worn under other school uniform, or inappropriate footwear.
 - b. prevent the student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student would have been representing the school.

The Principal will enact measures where a student fails to comply with the uniform policy.





Jewellery

Jewellery is limited, to be safe and unobtrusive. The main purpose of this limitation is self-protection and Workplace, Health & Safety issues. The number of injuries sustained by students wearing large earrings, rings with raised or sharp edges or body piercing in the facial area suggests that we take preventative action and ask students to leave these adornments at home.

Make-Up and Hair Colour

Whilst wearing make-up, finger nail polish or hair colouring is not specifically banned, the wearing of such should not detract from the school uniform or how students are perceived within the wider community. Judgements on the wearing of these items will not seek to restrict individuality, but reflect appropriateness of time and place — in this case, the school setting and the expectation of the school community.



Junior Secondary Uniform

Everyday uniform

The junior secondary uniform provides a selection of styles for students to choose from.

These include:

- Junior secondary polo shirt with logo
- Black school monogrammed shorts – styles available for both female and male students
- Black school monogrammed skirt/ skorts
- Black or white socks
- Plain black shoes – must meet science laboratory specifications
- School hat – sun safety
- Jewellery – all piercings (including facial piercings) are to be minimal, hygienic and safe and should not detract from the school uniform or how students are perceived within our wider community.
- Wearing of make-up and nail polish should not detract from the school uniform or how students are perceived within our wider community.
- The above items (jewellery, make up, etc) will need to be removed for school photos.
- Hair colour must be of a natural appearance
- No visible ear phones

Winter uniform

- Black monogrammed school jumper or black monogrammed school jacket.
- Students may choose to wear long black pants or plain black track pants during cooler days.
- Any student may choose to wear tights, however, these **MUST** be worn under school shorts or skirts. Tights are not acceptable as a wear- alone option as Hervey Bay State High School is a co-educational school.
- In cold weather, students are permitted to wear an additional plain black jumper underneath their jacket. If another jumper is worn, the jacket must be zipped up.
- Students are not permitted to wear “hoodies”.



Senior School Uniform

Everyday Uniform

- Senior secondary polo shirt with logo
- Black school monogrammed shorts – styles for both female and male students
- Black school monogrammed skirt or shorts
- Black or white socks
- Plain black shoes – must meet science laboratory specifications
- School hat – sun safety
- Jewellery – all piercings (including facial piercings) are to be minimal, hygienic and safe and should not detract from the school uniform or how students are perceived within our wider community.
- Wearing of make up and nail polish should not detract from the school uniform or how students are perceived within our wider community.
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- No visible earphones

Year 11 and 12 – Formal uniform

- White formal shirt for both female and male students
- Long black dress pants
- Black monogrammed skirt
- School tie to be worn with formal shirt
- Black or white socks or black stockings
- Plain black shoes
- Blue formal tartan skirt
- Dress school blazer (when representing the school)

Formal dress – for school representation

- White formal shirt – female and male students
- School tie
- Blue Formal tartan skirt
- Long black dress pants – male or female students
- White socks or black stockings for female students
- Plain black shoes
- Dress school blazer



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