



Corrimal East Public School

Uniform Procedures

A school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It identifies student as belonging to a particular school. Schools usually expect students to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

The Department of Education supports the wearing of school uniforms by students and the upholding of high standards of dress by students and staff. The Department recognises that NSW has a long history of school uniforms or dress codes being decided by the local school community.

The NSW Department of Education states that: ***'All students in NSW Government Schools are expected to maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform or dress code policy.'***

At Corrimal East Public School we expect students to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

Principles

- Decisions about school uniforms should be consistent with occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation. Aspects of the uniform related to safety, e.g. safe footwear, eye protection and hats, will need to be enforced as appropriate.
- Each school's uniform policy must be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and parents or carers. The consultation will be conducted in a manner appropriate to each school and be based on participatory decision-making principles. The school's uniform policy and uniform requirements should be formally endorsed by the school community before implementation.
- A school's uniform policy should take into account the diverse nature of the student population in the school and not disadvantage any student. Economic, personal, social and cultural factors affecting students and their families must be considered when deciding on items of uniform. Other considerations, such as body shape or religious requirements should be taken into account in making a final decision on the design and fabric of school uniforms.
- The school's uniform policy and school uniform requirements should be reviewed at least every five years and amended where necessary. Groups within the school community may also seek a review when circumstances change significantly or issues arise.

Implementing school uniform requirements

- Positive reinforcement and encouraging responsible behaviour are the preferred approaches to ensuring students wear the school uniform.
- Everyone has a role in setting the standards for the school. Teachers and other school staff model appropriate standards for students. They should dress in a professional manner at all times.
- Students should not be disadvantaged where required uniform items are not available because of circumstances beyond their control.
- Conscientious objections by parents to the wearing of school uniform should be respected.
- Responses to students who do not wear school uniform must be appropriate. They should be clarified, agreed upon by the school community and documented. Responses must be fair and consistent. They must not prevent students from continued participation in essential curriculum activities except where exclusion is necessary for reasons of safety. In this situation, alternative educational activities must be provided.






Responsibilities and Delegations

- It is the responsibility of the principal to ensure that the school uniform policy is developed and reviewed collaboratively with the school community.
- When a school community agrees on a school uniform, the principal oversees the shared responsibility for ensuring that students are encouraged to wear school uniforms that meet agreed community standards and adhere to legislative requirements.
- Principals must provide parents or carers with the school's uniform policy and school uniform requirements.
- Principals who operate within the policy framework will be supported by the Department in the implementation of this policy.

Responses for not wearing school uniform

1. If a child is unable to wear any item of the school's uniform, written advice from a parent / carer needs to be sent to school with the child.
2. If a child is at school not dressed in school uniform without a written advice, the class teacher or principal will seek to speak with the parent/carer.
3. If a child is continually at school not dressed in school uniform, the class teacher or principal will request a meeting where an offer of assistance for the purchase of a uniform will be provided if the family are unable to fully afford one at that time. All applications will be carefully considered and are kept confidential.

Expected School Uniform

Girls	Boys
<p>Winter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winter Tunic with grey button shirt (short or long sleeve) underneath • Grey tights or grey/white socks • Black shoes <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unisex maroon polo shirt • Maroon pants or maroon skort • Grey/white socks • Black shoes 	<p>Winter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unisex maroon polo shirt • Grey shorts / long pants • Grey/white socks • Black shoes 
<p>Sports Tracksuit (maroon pants & microfibre jacket) may be worn throughout winter.</p>	
<p>Summer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Tunic (Grey Tartan) • Grey/white socks • Black shoes <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unisex maroon polo shirt • Maroon skort • Grey/White socks • Black shoes 	<p>Summer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unisex maroon polo shirt • Grey shorts • Grey/white socks • Black shoes 
<p>Sports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold & Maroon sports shirt • Maroon shorts • White socks • Joggers 	
<p>A <u>school hat</u> (Corrimal East Public School) is expected to be worn <u>ALL YEAR</u>. Failure to have a school hat will result in '<u>No Hat = COLA play</u>'.</p>	

Corrimal East Public School uniforms are available from:

Poppets Direct, 31 Montague St, Fairy Meadow

Online orders & delivery can be taken by visiting <http://www.poppets.com.au/>

The Corrimal East Public School Second-hand Uniform Shop will also be open on occasion at the discretion of the P&C. These open days will be notified through the school newsletter.

This CEPS School uniform policy has been discussed and ratified by the Parents & Citizens Association.

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