Junee North Public School

Policy Document

School Uniform Guidelines and Procedures

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School Uniform Policy

Purpose

This policy outlines for the school community the purpose and reasons for a uniform, the community expectation about the common standards and the processes in place to establish, change, purchase, regulate and monitor the school uniform.

Rationale

At Junee North Public School the wearing of full and correct school uniform is seen as important and is valued by the school community. As well as being a symbol of unity, pride, identity and belonging, it provides a measure of protection for students travelling to and from school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of a uniform code. The Department of Education and Training supports the wearing of school uniform and requires students to conform to acceptable general standards of dress inclusive of the school’s uniform requirements.

Our community expects that the school will insist on sensible standards of clothing, good grooming and personal cleanliness. In choosing a uniform for Junee North Public School the P&C Committee has ensured our uniform is:

- Comfortable, practical, safe, easy to launder, modest, cost-effective, hard-wearing, suited to school activities and seasonal weather patterns
- Distinctive - providing a positive image for public education, our school and town
- Supportive of our sun-safe policy with a ‘NO HAT, PLAY IN THE SHADE’ expectation and a bucket style hat
- Suitable for all body types and students K-6
- Inclusive in terms of cultural, religious and gender perspectives
- Enhanced by our school logo
- Accompanied by a designated bag, which carries our logo and which is specifically designed to support students’ backs by reducing stress on spines
- Supported by a designated sports uniform for sport and school representation

Aims

- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community
- To develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school
- To promote equality amongst all students
- To provide security for children travelling to and from school and on excursions
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school community
Communications and sales
- School uniform sales are conducted through our school canteen. The uniform shop is open: **Monday 9:00-2:00pm and Friday 9:00 – 2:00 pm**. Items can be ordered and pre-paid with order forms and money to be handed in to the front office.
- Parents and caregivers can access a copy of the uniform policy, uniform items and price list from our Website or from the office. New arrivals to the school will also receive the same information in their ‘Welcome to School’ package.
- Any changes to the uniform will be undertaken under the auspices of the P&C and only after consultation with the whole school community as per DET policy.
- A Uniform committee comprising P&C representatives, staff and students will be established to oversee and recommend any changes to school uniform policy or uniform items. Items of uniform, which are found but do not carry a name, will be put in ‘Lost Property’. This will be kept near the maths storeroom. Students and parents may visit the ‘Lost Property’ box to claim items.
- Unclaimed, un-named items from the ‘Lost Property’ box will be cleared from the box each term and made available for purchase as second hand items through the P&C.
- There is a separate policy for Year 6 commemorative clothing. This will be communicated to parents and caregivers of students in Year 6 in each year.
- Graduating students are encouraged to donate second-hand uniforms to the school.
- Families experiencing financial difficulties may apply for Student Assistance Funding to assist with uniform purchases.

Expectations
- The school and parent community expects that students will be fully outfitted with formal winter and summer school uniforms; and winter and summer sports uniforms.
- All items of school uniform must be clearly labelled with the students’ name.
- If a student is unable to come to school in correct school uniform on any day, a note of explanation needs to be provided by the student’s caregiver. A second hand uniform will be loaned to the child for the day. If a child presents without correct uniform and no note of explanation, the Principal will provide a second hand uniform to be worn during the school day. If a child presents without correct uniform on three consecutive occasions a note will be sent home from the class teacher requesting an explanation.
- It is expected that correct school uniform is worn on excursions and for representative sports and other representative activities.
- **NO HAT, PLAY IN THE SHADE** requires that any child without a school hat must remain in a shaded area during recess and lunch play times. During PE and sporting activities a hat must be worn. Students without a hat will observe the lesson from a shaded area. Hats are not worn inside classrooms and must be removed upon entering the hall for assemblies or other presentations.
- Black shoes with white socks (for girls, grey socks for boys) is the established standard for footwear. Sports shoes may be worn on days where PE or sport activities are scheduled.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in ears, watches and small necklaces are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Nail polish and cosmetics should not be worn to school.
- The school community requires that the Principal be responsible for the implementation of the uniform standards and code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Behaviour and School Welfare policies.
Junee North Public School uniform requirements

SUMMER

BOYS: Short sleeve sky blue polo or cotton button up shirt (cotton shirts should be worn at all special events, school excursions and for school photographs); grey shorts; black shoes*; grey socks; royal blue school hat

GIRLS: Summer school dress OR royal blue tailored shorts with a white polo or cotton button-up shirt (cotton shirts should be worn at special events, school excursions and for school photographs) black shoes*; white socks; royal blue school hat

WINTER

BOYS: Long sleeve sky blue shirt; long grey trousers; royal blue sloppy joe; black shoes*; grey socks; royal blue school hat

GIRLS: Royal blue winter tunic or long royal blue dress slacks; white long sleeved shirt; blue tights (with tunic); royal blue sloppy joe; black shoes*; white socks (with dress pants); royal blue school hat

SPORTS

Royal blue sports shorts (summer); royal blue fleecy track pants and sloppy joe (winter); school polo sports shirt; sports shoes; white socks

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Royal blue polar fleece jacket (winter uniform option)
Royal blue scarf (winter uniform option)
Royal blue beanie (winter uniform option)

(NB: * black shoes must be leather shoes or black joggers – not slip on canvas style)

Related documents and references

- DET School Uniform Policy PD/2004/0025/VO1
- School Uniforms in NSW Government Schools: A Support Document
- DET and NPS Student Welfare & Student Discipline Policies