



ELIZABETH EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Under the educational Act (1972) and regulation 86, Education and Children's Services regulations 2020

School Governing Councils have the power to:

- Determine school dress policy
- Enforce uniform obligations and exemptions conditions

By choosing to attend Elizabeth East Primary School, families and students are choosing to follow the Governing Council's Uniform Policy.

Statement of Intent

The Elizabeth East Primary School Governing Council has a dress code policy designed to give students a sense of belonging, unity and pride. This enables them to be easily identified as members of our school, both while at the school and also out in the community. The code also minimises competition between students to wear more expensive and fashionable clothing, whilst encouraging equity amongst students. It is designed to be practical in its application to a wide range of physical activities and weather conditions and ensures students observe health, safety and decency standards.

Clothing and hats may be purchased from the front office or through the major department stores – the main expectation is that there are no logos, other than the school logo, brand names or stripes on the clothing.

Aims of the Dress Code Policy

- Creates a positive image of the school particularly in the community, developing and maintaining a high standard of appearance.
- Encourages a sense of belonging and pride in our school.
- Easily identifies our students on school grounds, on excursion and within the community, which is important for student safety.
- Provides an economically viable cost for school clothing and creates a more equitable social environment
- It is practical and includes "safe" clothing for all subjects.

ACCEPTABLE

Dress – Navy blue and white checked summer dresses are suitable to wear – students are encouraged to wear navy blue or black leggings or bike pants underneath the dress.



Pants / shorts - It is expected that students wear black or navy pants or shorts without a logo, stripes or tears. Shorts need to be an appropriate length – no high cut shorts



Shirt / polo top / t-shirt - It is expected that students wear navy or red tops without a logo, stripes or sequins. School logo acceptable,



Students may wear other coloured long sleeved tops e.g. jumper, tops etc. that do not have any logos or writing on the arms under school colored tops.



Windcheater / jacket / jumper – It is expected that students wear navy or red tops without a logo, school logo acceptable, no stripes or sequins. Hooded jackets are allowed, however hoods are not to be worn within any learning area.

Tracksuit / long pants – It is expected that students wear navy or black without a logo, school logo acceptable, no stripes or sequins.



Jeans – Jeans need to be a shade of blue and free from rips, tears, no logo, or sequins. Due to the various color of blue discretion needs to be used.



Tights – Tights need to be navy or black, free from tears and rips and no sequins.



Footwear

- For safety reasons students are required to wear enclosed shoes, track shoes and sandals to school – no slip-ons, thongs or ugg boots are to be worn. Some children especially JP, wear wellingtons. They are enclosed so discretion needs to be used depending on the activity. If unsafe the child will need to sit out.

Hats



- School sun safe hats are mandatory to be worn throughout the year – this is a sun smart broad brimmed hat or legionnaire's hat. Baseball caps, beanies or coloured hats are not considered to be part of the Dress Code.

Jewelry and Make-Up



- Piercings - ear lobe piercing only with a small studs or sleepers (1 each ear). Body piercing (e.g. eyebrow studs) and body art (e.g. temporary tattoos) are not considered age appropriate and are not acceptable.

- Appropriate jewelry includes: watch, medic alert bracelet, and religious necklace (which needs to be tucked under tops) – Other jewelry will be assessed for safety and students / parents will be advised if there are issues.



- Make up is generally not acceptable, but it is understood some students may feel very self-conscious about their skin and so light foundation makeup might be deemed appropriate.

Consequences for Students Who Do Not Comply with the Dress Code

- Students who do not have a hat or out of uniform will be required to stay in the shaded designated area. Year 3 to 7 students, long shelter shed R to 2 students, junior primary verandah. Students are permitted to play in their designated area.
- Note is to be raised by the classroom teacher and sent home if a child in their class is out of uniform.



Students are requested to be in school uniform if going on excursions or representing the school in any field e.g. SAPSSA, choir etc. as a safety precaution

The school does try to keep some spare clothing available (Tops) available to loan out, however these may not be available regularly.

Special Circumstances

- New enrolments to the school have a negotiated period of time to adjust to the Dress Code Policy.
- Cultural or financial special circumstances will be considered on an individual basis.
- If there is a medical condition that needs to be considered a Doctor's Certificate is required.
- If a parent contacts the school and talks to the Wellbeing Leader for a one off situation, e.g. been sick and unable to do washing etc. arrangements can be made to support that student.
- Parents may apply for exemption using uniform exemption application.

All decisions made in this policy have taken into account the diverse nature of our school community / families and not disadvantage any student. The economic, personal, social and cultural factors affecting students and their families have been considered when deciding on items of school uniform.

Ratified by Governing Council Monday 7/9/2021. To be revisited Mid 2022.

EXAMPLE OF UNACCEPTABLE CLOTHING

