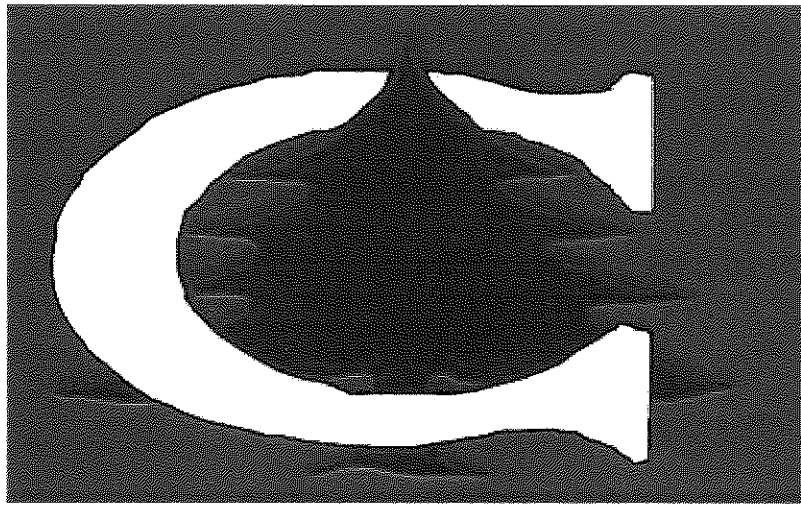


Collier Primary School



Student Dress Code Policy

Policy and Guidelines
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COLLIER PRIMARY SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY

RATIONALE

The Collier School Council, in consultation with students, parents/carers and staff has established a dress code for all students attending Collier Primary School.

The School Council determines the dress requirements for the school – that is, the standards of what is acceptable clothing to be worn by students, including headwear, footwear and other aspects of personal presentation. The following dress code is outlined for Primary years PP – 6. Kindergarten students are encouraged to support this policy, but it is not compulsory.

The dress code is established by the School Council of Collier Primary School to promote a positive, safe and healthy learning environment for the students.

The School Council:

- reviews regularly the dress requirements and makes changes as needed
- ensures the Collier Primary School Dress Code complies with all relevant policy statements and associated legislative documents and
- determines procedures for exemptions that applies to the Department of Education and Training.

The council believes a school dress code:

- fosters and enhances the public image of the school
- assists in building school spirit and a sense of identity
- enhances the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
- increases personal safety of students by allowing easier identification in school playground and on excursions
- keeps the cost of school outfits at a reasonable level for parents/carers
- encourages equity among students
- prepares students for work, as many work places have dress and safety codes and
- complies with all legislation, authority documents and those polies associated with the Department of Education.

Principles considered for dress requirements of students included:

- To be attractive, presentable and of good quality.
- To meet local circumstances and weather conditions.
- Cater for the needs of boys and girls and cultural diversity of students.
- Promote health and safety. (eg hats for sun protection, avoid long cords.)
- Include items that are affordable, durable, available, comfortable and made from fabrics that are easy to care and

- Complies with relative policies and documents related to the Department of Education.

Denim is not an appropriate part of the dress requirements for students.

Availability of dress code items:

- items in the designated school colours may be purchased from the school uniform store or from a department store if available.
- having second hand uniforms available from school uniform store.
- students whose families may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should contact administration to discuss the situation.

Encouraging students to comply with dress requirements:

- acknowledging / praising students at assemblies
- involving students in developing, discussing and promoting dress requirements.(Student Council)
- displaying the school uniform in a prominent place . eg the web page, Facebook, uniform shop, promotional days to welcome new families.

Students not following the dress code

All students are expected to meet the school dress requirements unless an exemption is granted. The Principal may provide an exemption on any of the following grounds:

- an item is unavailable,
- a student health matter,
- the religious beliefs of a student,
- the cultural background
- and any other matter which, in the principal's opinion is sufficient to exempt the student.

For students and their families that don't comply the following action will be taken:

- counselling from Principal/Deputy Principal on the benefits of a dress code;
- consider assistance/support/second hand uniforms if necessary

If a matter cannot be resolved and provided it is not a financial reason, the Principal may apply sanctions as prescribed in the School Education Regulations 2000.

Students not following the dress code may be prevented from attending activities in which they would be representing the school on which the Principal believes are not part of the educational program, which could include excursions, choir performances, sporting and social events.

DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR COLLIER PRIMARY SCHOOL

General information

- Hats, to be compulsory throughout terms 1 – 4.
- Use of sun-screen is encouraged.
- A cycle helmet as required by law for those cycling to and from the school.

Suggested Uniform choice items:

- Short Sleeve School polo top
- Long sleeve School polo top
- Short Sleeved polo top (faction coloured)
- Zip fronted unisex Zip Jacket
- Unisex track pants
- Boys cargo long pants
- Girls bootleg pants
- Plain shorts
- Boys cargo shorts
- Pleated sports skirt
- Girls Skorts
- Tartan Pleated skirt
- Legionnaire's Hat
- Microfibre Bucket hat
- School backpack (optional)
- Library bag (optional)

For further information refer to Department of Education and Training's documents
"Dress requirements for students in WA public schools."
Policy on "Dress requirements for students in public schools."