



Uniform Policy

Dunsborough Christian College

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Purpose

The College uniform aims to be affordable, durable, practical, and comfortable. At Dunsborough Christian College (DCC) we believe that a uniform serves several practical, social, and economic purposes. These include:

1. **Community and Identity:** Wearing a uniform is one of the ways we foster a sense of belonging and being part of a unique community.
2. **Safety and Comfort:** Our school uniform has been carefully selected to ensure students will be comfortable and safe while playing, exploring the bush or engaging in the school curriculum. A uniform also assists in ensuring our students can be easily identified while on school excursions or partaking in community events.
3. **Equality and Unity:** School uniforms can help to create a more inclusive environment by creating a sense of equality among students, regardless of their socio-economic background.
4. **Focus on Learning:** Uniforms help to minimise distractions which are often related to the wearing of accessories or the pressure to keep up to date with the latest fashion trends.
5. **Time Management:** Wearing a uniform can reduce student and parent conflict by eliminating the need to decide what to wear each day.
6. **Preparation for the Workplace:** Wearing uniforms can instil a sense of self-discipline by preparing students for future work environments where a dress code is required.

Scope

This policy applies to all students of Dunsborough Christian College. We acknowledge that parents and caregivers have an important role to play in ensuring students arrive at school wearing the College uniform in a clean, neat, and tidy manner.

Uniform Days

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays.	Fridays
Sports	Formal	Sports	Formal	Sports

There may be times when either uniform is worn for specific events or occasions.

Sports Uniform

Kindy-Year 2 College Sports Uniform Includes:

- College polo shirt
- College navy shorts
- College navy track pants with padded knees
- College sports jacket
- College hat
- College navy crew socks
- Predominately navy, white or black sneakers (Velcro or lace up)

Years 3-12 As above, except College navy trackpants with no padded knees

Sports Shoes

Students are to wear matching velcro or laced sneakers which are predominantly white or black. Sports shoes must be suitable for running and playing sport. Hiking, slip-on or skate shoes are **not** permitted.

The Physical Education Teacher/s may require students to wear specialist soccer/football/basketball shoes for a set period of time. If specialist shoes are required, students must only wear these shoes during Physical Education lessons or interschool events. Information will be forwarded to parents/carers when this is required.



Formal Uniform

Years 3-12 **Formal College Uniform Includes:**

College sand cotton drill shirt

From Term 2, the current cotton drill shirt will begin to be phased out and replaced with a short sleeve, navy pin stripe unisex shirt. Students continue to wear the current drill shirt while we finalise details regarding fittings, availability and transition timeline. Further information will be communicated to families in due course.

- Short sleeve, navy pin stripe unisex shirt
- College navy cargo pants/cargo shorts/skirt
- College sports jacket
- College hat
- College navy crew socks
- Plain navy stockings - optional (Girls)

Formal Dress Option (Girls Years 3-9)

As an additional uniform option, a College formal dress will be introduced, once available, for Intermediate and Middle Phase students.

Formal Footwear

Intermediate Phase students (Years 3 – 6) may wear either:

- black leather shoes, or
- **plain** black sneakers (hiking, slip-on or skate shoes are not permitted)

Middle Phase students (Years 7-9) wear **black leather school shoes**

INTERMEDIATE PHASE YEARS 3-6 BOYS FORMAL UNIFORM

- CARGO SHORT WITH SHIRT
- CARGO TROUSER WITH SHIRT
- ZIP JACKET
- BUCKET HAT
- PLAIN NAVY CREW SOCK
- BLACK LEATHER SHOES
- PLAIN BLACK SNEAKER
- 12-MONTH PHASE OUT BLACK OR BROWN ANKLE BOOTS

INTERMEDIATE PHASE YEARS 3-6 GIRLS FORMAL UNIFORM

- DRESS
- OR
- SKIRT WITH SHIRT
- OR
- CARGO TROUSER WITH SHIRT
- ZIP JACKET
- BUCKET HAT
- PLAIN NAVY CREW SOCK OR STOCKINGS
- 12-MONTH PHASE OUT BLACK OR BROWN ANKLE BOOTS
- BLACK LEATHER SHOES
- OR
- PLAIN BLACK SNEAKER



MIDDLE PHASE YEARS 7-9 BOYS FORMAL UNIFORM



CARGO SHORT
WITH SHIRT



CARGO TROUSER
WITH SHIRT



ZIP JACKET



BUCKET HAT



PLAIN NAVY CREW SOCK



BLACK LEATHER SHOES



12-MONTH PHASE OUT
BLACK OR BROWN ANKLE
BOOTS



MIDDLE PHASE YEARS 7-9 GIRLS FORMAL UNIFORM



DRESS



SKIRT WITH SHIRT

OR

OR



CARGO TROUSER
WITH SHIRT



ZIP JACKET



PLAIN NAVY CREW
SOCK OR STOCKINGS



BLACK LEATHER
SHOES



12-MONTH PHASE OUT
BLACK OR BROWN ANKLE
BOOTS

Formal Footwear

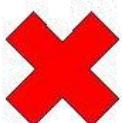
Please note: Boots will be phased out over a 12-month transition period. Students may wear either the new footwear or continue to wear existing boots throughout the 2026 school year, with boots no longer part of the formal uniform from 2027.

For 2026, students may continue to wear **plain black or dark brown** leather or leather look **ankle** boots with elastic sides. Brown, tan or other coloured boots are not permitted. Boots with a zip, bling, buckles, sheep skin, faux fur, logos or coloured stitching are not permitted. Therefore, Doc Martins, motorcycle, Ugg, hiking boots or snow boots are not permitted. The heel height is to be no greater than 3 cm. If students require greater ankle support, an approved black lace up boot is permitted.

A plain black, navy or dark brown leather or leather look sandal may be worn with the formal uniform for primary students only. The sandal must have a rear strap and be secure on the child's foot. The sole must be black, navy or tan in colour. Socks are NOT to be worn with the sandal. High school students are not permitted to wear sandals as some subjects require safety standards to be maintained.



Black, navy or dark brown leather or leather look sandal with rear ankle strap and black, navy or tan sole.



NO beach sandals, multi strap colours, soles containing colours other than black, navy or tan, sandals with bling or patterns, sandals with high heels or sandals with thin or more than three straps.



Hair Styles

Neat and tidy hairstyles are expected across the campus. Hair below the collar is to be tied up with natural hair colour, navy, black, white or green hair ribbons, ties or scrunchies. Hairclips, hair ties and headbands should reflect the student's natural hair colour or school colours. Fringes are to be no longer than the student's eyebrows. Headbands must not be worn over any part of the student's ears or forehead. Dreadlocks, shaved heads (less than blade 2), mohawks, mullets, and razor lines are not permitted.

Hair Colour

Primary School students are not permitted to colour/dye their hair. Secondary School students may only use natural hair colours and tones within a close range of the student's natural hair colour. This means that bright colours such as blue and pink, two-tones or striped hair colours are not acceptable.

Facial Hair

Students in Year 11 and 12 are to be clean shaven. The College reserves the right to ask students to shave facial hair.

Jewellery

Wristwatch

Students are permitted to wear a sports or casual watch. Dress watches are not permitted. Where a watch causes disruption in class (e.g. an audible alarm, or causing distraction to the student), it will be treated as a device and the ICT Policy will be applied. Smartwatches are not permitted at school.

Earrings

Students are permitted to wear a **single** plain gold, rose gold or silver sleeper or stud in each lower earlobe. Studs should be no larger than 0.5 cm in diameter and may include gemstones or pearls. Round shapes are permitted but not butterflies, stars, hearts, squares, kites, etc. Sleepers should be no larger than 1.5 cm in diameter. All earrings, including those immediately following ear piercing, must follow these specifications - no exceptions will be permitted.

For safety reasons no other items of jewellery are permitted*. This includes necklaces, bracelets, finger rings, nose rings, anklets, and other external piercings. Students may also be required to remove earrings or watches prior to lessons in Physical Education, Manual Arts or Home Economics.

**Exceptions are granted for students with medical conditions such as a medical response bracelet.*

Tattoos

Students are not permitted to draw on themselves and attend school with real or fake tattoos.

Makeup

Primary School students are not permitted to wear makeup, unless directed by the College leadership, e.g. drama production. Secondary School students are permitted to wear skin colour concealer and clear lip gloss/lip balm. Eye-makeup is not permitted, and students are prohibited from wearing false eyelashes or eyelash extensions.

Fingernails

Students are expected to keep their nails clean with the free edge of the nail no longer than 5mm. Secondary students may wear clear nail varnish. Coloured nail varnish or false nails are not permitted.

Cultural Identity

The College recognises that some students may be expected to wear certain types of clothing and headwear such as turbans or head scarves as part of their religious beliefs or cultural traditions. In consultation with the Principal, cultural items may be permitted if they do not impede the wearing of the school uniform or obscure the face. Formal approval must be given by the Principal as part of the enrolment process.

Undergarments

The College recognises that some students may wish to wear a vest, singlet or camisole for warmth and comfort. These items are permissible, provided no part of the garment is visible. The under garment should be white or a neutral colour, with no visible colours, patterns or emblems showing through the school uniform. Long sleeve shirts under the school uniform is not permitted. If students are cold, the school jacket is to be worn. Students are not permitted to wear costumes or other items of clothing under their uniform.

Stockings

Girls may wear stockings that are 80 denier or greater with the College dress and formal skirt. Leggings and skins are **not** permitted.

Raincoats

On wet days students are permitted to wear a raincoat to school, from school and during recess and lunch. Parents are to provide students with a suitable raincoat. Students will not be granted permission to play in the rain unless they have a raincoat and gumboots. Raincoats are not to be worn in the classroom.

Gumboots

Parents are to supply their child with a pair of clearly labelled gum boots. This item will remain at school for the duration of the school year. Gum boots are to be returned to the student at the end of the year. If the student outgrows a pair of boots during the academic year, each class has spare boots which can be swapped over.

Beanies, Scarves, Gloves and Sunglasses

Students may wear beanies, scarves, gloves, or sunglasses to and from school. Once students are at school, they are not permitted to wear these items in or out of the classroom.

Hats

Only the College hat is permitted. It is to be worn in an appropriate manner when outside the classroom during the months that contain the letter 'r': January, February, March, April, September, October, November, December. Students are encouraged to apply suncream.

School, Library, and Headphone Bags

Parents are to provide a suitable school bag, waterproof library bag, and waterproof headphone bag. Students benefit from a school bag with adjustable shoulder straps, rear padding and separate compartments to assist with packing.

Leavers T-Shirts and Jacket

At the beginning of Year 6, students will have the option of purchasing a Year 6 leavers polo shirt. This item may be worn instead of the College polo shirt. At the beginning of Year 12 students will have the option of purchasing a Year 12 leavers jacket. This item may be worn instead of the College sports jacket.

Uniform Days

Students from Year 3-12 will be expected to wear their sports and formal uniforms for specific days. The days will be determined by the College leadership based upon student timetables.

Uniform Breaches

At the start of each term, parents and students will be reminded of uniform expectations through the school newsletter and Monday meetups. Classroom and Form Teachers will follow the school's Behavioural Policy for any uniform breaches.