

UNIFORM POLICY

PURPOSE

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of quality, health and safety and expense are also factors, which contribute to the establishment of the Uniform Policy.

AIM

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

IMPLEMENTATION

After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council, School Council has developed a Uniform Policy that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.

The Uniform Policy applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school (without any additional non-uniform jackets or hats) and when students are on school excursions.

- Summer and winter uniforms and sports uniform are required to be worn.
- Students in Year 7, 8 and 9 can wear PE uniform on days where they have a scheduled PE practical class. The PE uniform may only be worn with the college Rugby jumper or Spray jacket and other accessories (scarf, hat). Mixing the PE uniform with other uniform items is not permitted. Students are still able to wear the full academic uniform and change into PE uniform should they prefer.
- Sports uniform is to be worn when representing the College at sporting events.
- The only acceptable shoes are black leather, lace up or slip on school shoes. (Must be completely black)
- Limited, discreet* jewellery; a set of studs/sleepers, a watch, a bracelet, a ring and/or a necklace which should be tucked under uniform, are acceptable. See additional notes below.
- One facial piercing with jewellery (clear/gold/silver, discreet* stud or small barbell-balls no larger than 2mm for eyebrow piercing) is permitted. Additional piercings must be fitted with a clear stud. See additional notes below.
- Extreme hair colours or extreme hairstyles are not permitted. Hair must be tied in an appropriate manner for practical subjects, or when requested by the teacher.
- Minimal natural makeup is permitted.
- Finger nails must be short and nail polish is not permitted. Excessively long fingernails and/or fake nails are not permitted.
- Tattoos must not be visible.
- The only headwear that is acceptable is the school uniform hat / beanie. Consistent with our Sunsmart policy the college hat should be worn outside in Terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside. Exemption on religious or medical grounds will be considered on an individual basis by the Principal.
- School Council requires the Principal to be responsible for implementation of the School Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the School Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the

Principal.

Limited jewellery indicates students should not be wearing multiple of each of the above-mentioned jewellery items.

Discreet* jewellery is of small size and not overly visible. Practical subjects and activities may require jewellery items to be removed for Occupational Health and Safety reasons. Students are expected to comply with any such requirements for the duration of the lesson/activity. Any jewellery item deemed not discreet or exceeding a limited amount, by the relevant House Leader or Principal class member, will be required to be removed for the duration of the school day. The school accepts no responsibility for the loss, damage and/or injury caused due to the wearing of any of any jewellery items.

Uniform supplier

Buxwear Uniform <https://www.buxwear.com.au>

169 Cheltenham Road Dandenong VIC 3175

(03) 9792 0424 | Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm and Saturday 9.30am – 2pm

Shirt	Short or long sleeve white business shirt
Jumper	Navy woolen jumper <i>with embroidered College logo</i>
Shorts	Black poly viscose elastic waist or tailored shorts. <i>Sport, cargo or denim shorts not accepted</i>
Pants	Black straight leg or tailored pants. <i>Tracksuit, leggings, cargo or denim pants not accepted</i>
Skirt	Box pleated plaid fabric
Dress	Carrum Downs Secondary College summer dress fabric with princess line piped collar, cuff and belt
Socks	Black or white socks. <i>No logos on socks</i>
Tights	Black tights. <i>Tights not to be worn with summer dress</i>
Shoes	Plain black leather, lace up or slip on school shoes
Scarf	Navy or black scarf
Beanie/hat	Blue beanie <i>with College logo</i> , or blue sunsmart bucket hat
Rugby jumper	Navy rugby jumper <i>with embroidered College logo</i>
Spray jacket	Navy oxford spray jacket <i>with embroidered College logo</i>
Sports top	Navy and yellow sports polo <i>with College logo</i>
Sports shorts	Black shorts with elastic drawstring.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be available on Carrum Downs Secondary College's website <https://cdsc.vic.edu.au/>, so that parents and other members of the school community can easily access information about Carrum Downs Secondary College's policies and procedures.

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Consultation	School Council Meeting
Endorsed by	School Council
Endorsed on	23 April 2025
Next review date	23 April 2026