



Uniform Policy

Rationale

A School uniform that is worn correctly by the students is an important part of the identity of St John Paul II Catholic College. Our uniform conveys strong messages and images to the community about our College. Agreement and cooperation with uniform requirements is an important element of respect for the identity and ethos of St John Paul II Catholic College, contributes to some sense of equity between students of different socio-economic capabilities and emphasises that the College is a place of both work and play. Uniform rules reflect these various requirements. We encourage students to feel a sense of pride in their personal appearance and being a part of the St John Paul II Catholic College community. As well, some elements of school uniform are subject to legal implications such as WHS regulations for safety in practical classrooms and in outdoor and sporting situations. The wearing of the college uniform forms part of the enrolment agreement signed by parents/caregivers on the enrolment of their child.

Relevant System Policies

The Diocese does not have a uniform policy, leaving this dimension to individual schools and their community.

Principles/Aim

The Uniform Policy at St John Paul II Catholic College aims to ensure that a positive identity and corporate image of St John Paul II Catholic College are portrayed to the wider community and encourages students to develop positive attitudes in terms of self-image and presentation.

Roles and Responsibilities

Those responsible for the implementation of this policy by challenging students wearing the incorrect uniform include:

- The Principal
- Assistant Principals
- Leaders of Learning
- Learning Community Facilitators
- Student Learning Liaison
- Classroom Teachers
- Students
- Parents
- Ancillary Staff

Procedures

- The Uniform Rules are printed in the Student Planner.
- Every student should be familiar with these rules and is expected to be properly dressed in full College uniform/Sports uniform at all times.
- No variations in uniform are permitted. Students are expected to be well groomed at all times.

- Staff members should also be familiar with the rules and uniform should be checked at the start of every lesson.
- Students are to be reminded regularly about uniform rules and guidelines and are to be referred to the exact wording that appears in the planner in the case of any dispute or misunderstanding.
- Students who are out of uniform should have a note of explanation from their parents/caregivers that is dated and current. The reason must be explained and valid.
- All problems related to uniform should be documented in the back of the student's planner and when a pattern of RISEUP breaches have occurred be reported to the relevant Leader of Learning or Student Learning Liaison. Uniform infractions contribute to the five RISEUP breaches, which result in an afternoon detention. In serious cases where students repeatedly fail to wear the correct uniform or display a blatant disregard for the uniform requirements, the College reserves the right to exclude these students from class, suspend them from school and/or undertake an immediate review of their enrolment status at St John Paul II Catholic College.

The Principal reserves the right at all times to review current practices and policies and to recommend changes that are appropriate and in the best interest of the college or individual students.

Evaluation

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Responsibility: LOL Stage