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Student Dress Code Policy

The Miami State School community is committed to maintaining a culture of high standards in all that we do. As such our school has a Student Dress Code Policy that ensures our students represent themselves and our school to the highest standards each and every day. Consistent dress standards establish a positive and united school community identity. The Student Dress Code Policy is supported by our school community and aligned with section 364 & 365 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

It is an expectation that upon student enrolment at Miami State School that parents' consent to uphold our Student Dress Code by way of signing the **Enrolment Agreement Form**.

The Student Dress Code Policy provides for the following:

- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by the students, including headwear and footwear;
- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of the personal presentation of the students.

Our student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing. This includes a school uniform that all students will wear when:

- attending or representing their school;
- travelling to and from school; and
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Miami State School Student Dress Code aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- incorporating recommendations of the Queensland Cancer Council Sun Safe clothing guidelines
- identification of students at school and on excursions
- fostering a sense of belonging
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social difference
- promotes an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school.

At Miami State School the expectation is that each day students will wear one of the agreed Miami State School uniforms as outlined below. To cater for all students, the uniform consists of a variety of items that can be mixed and matched along with unisex items that both male and female students can choose to wear.

- **The official school colours are: royal blue and green.**
- **The complete school uniform is to be worn at all times to, from and during school, except on cluster sport days or interhouse sports days.**
- **Year 6 students may wear their Year 6 shirt as part of the uniform on any day.**
- **Students may wear the District, Region or State sport uniform**

All Students:

Due to Workplace Health and Safety regulations, student's footwear must provide adequate protection and cover the entire foot. Students attending this school must wear black (100% black, no other colour), polish able leather or vinyl joggers/shoes that are fully enclosed. Joggers are preferable as regular physical activity is part of the curriculum. Shoelaces must be black. Velcro fasteners are recommended for Prep students. **Suede or canvas shoes are not acceptable.**

Uniform options:

- Royal blue shorts
- Royal blue skort / skirt
- Blue and green school polo shirt
- Blue and green dress

Formal Uniform:

- Formal shirt - White blouse/shirt with check trim

*** Choir, Strings and Band students are to wear formal uniform when representing the school.

Other:

- White ankle socks
- Miami State School wide-brimmed hat

Winter:

- Royal Blue zipper jacket (available from the uniform shop)
- Long royal blue track pants (available from the uniform shop)
- Royal Blue opaque stockings (tights)

If you are unable to purchase a school jacket, or tracksuit pants we ask that your child wear a plain royal blue jumper/track pants without any patterns or logos.

Sports:

For inter-house sports carnivals children will be placed in a house (all family members are in the same house) and wear a plain t-shirt or plain polo shirt in the appropriate colour: *Bradman – Red; Fraser – Blue; Norman – Gold.*

In line with Education Queensland's Sun Safety Strategy children are required to wear swim shirts for all water activities. If parents are unable to provide a swim shirt, we will allow students to wear a t-shirt instead.

Jewellery:

Students are permitted to wear only the following items:

- A watch
- One small plain stud or small plain sleeper of silver or gold in the lower lobe of each ear
- Medical alert bracelets
- Religious or culturally significant pendants *by written request of parent*

Hair:

All students are to wear their hair in a neat and tidy manner. Hair shoulder length needs to be tied back. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted e.g. Mullets, mohawks, undercuts/tracks, rat's tail, dreadlocks, non-natural hair colour, multi-colouring of hair. Hair cut style and colour should be conservative in nature.

Makeup:

No makeup is to be worn to school. Coloured nail polish is not acceptable.

PLEASE NOTE:

The school dress code policy **DOES NOT** include any other item of clothing or accessory, other than that included in the list of uniform items.

- No denim or surf shorts are allowed.
- No thongs, sandals or slip on shoes can be worn.
- No brightly coloured shoe laces.
- No visible mid-riffs, waist bands or sweat bands.
- No footless stockings, patterned stockings or leggings are acceptable.
- No make-up.
- No coloured nail polish.

Free Dress Days:

These will be organised by Student Leaders and advertised in E-Newsletter, classroom newsletters and displays around the school. Clothing worn on these days:

- Must be sun safe (e.g. covered shoulders and midriffs).
- No inappropriate logos, images, slogans or wording (e.g. alcohol/tobacco).
- Safe footwear (must be covered in; no thongs, high heels etc.).

Monitoring the School Uniform:

Regular routine and random uniform checks will occur. The Principal should be contacted immediately and confidentially if a family is in difficult financial circumstances.

Any students with inappropriate items (e.g. jewellery) will have them removed for the day for the first offence

The School Staff may apply the following sanctions on any student who does not comply with our schools Dress Code:

- No hat, no play (***under cover seated – no play***).
- Not sun safe, no play/ no water activity.

Non-compliance with Student Dress Code Policy:

Students unable to wear their uniform for good reason are required to bring a note from their parent/caregiver indicating when the student will be able to wear their uniform.

A number of strategies may be employed by the school staff in the event students are non-compliant with the school's mandatory Student Dress Code. These strategies will be compliant with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. Strategies include:

- Seeking parental support for compliance e.g. letter or telephone call.
- Requesting correct uniform be brought to school for the student.
- Assisting students with genuine economic hardship to acquire uniform e.g. uniform loan.
- Imposing a penalty, e.g. reflection/detention time. Continued breaches will incur a stronger penalty.
- Preventing the student from taking part in a school event outside the school.
- Preventing the student taking part in a school activity that is not part of the essential education program of the school.

Whatever the strategy implemented it is the intention of the school Administration to ensure every student complies with the Student Dress Code Policy every day.

The Miami School community thanks you for supporting our high standards culture.

Reviewed and endorsed by the MIAMI P&C 10th March 2021.

CORRECT FOOTWEAR GUIDE – Black enclosed shoes with “No” markings or coloured laces

(Laces are black)



Acceptable



Not Acceptable

