



Student Dress Code Policy



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the office.

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Grovedale West Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Grovedale West Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Grovedale West Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

Scope

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities. Parents are advised of the dress code when enrolling their child at the school and it is published on the school website.

Uniform and appearance

The full list of Grovedale West Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden
- Studs, sleepers and watches (not smart watches) are the only acceptable jewellery

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clothes that are not listed in this policy are not to be worn unless otherwise approved by the principal. <p><u>Jewellery and cosmetics</u></p> <p>Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches (not smart watches), are the only acceptable jewellery. Cosmetics are not to be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted. For safety, students should not wear nail extensions to school.</p> <p><u>Health and safety</u></p> <p>Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of lice and for student safety. Student hair must be of natural colour.</p> <p>Jewellery, nails, hair accessories and similar items that interfere with students' ability to engage with school activities safely and fully are not permitted.</p> <p>School uniform hats must be worn outside from mid-August (exact date to be set by the school annually) to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.</p> <p>Hats are not to be worn inside.</p> <p>Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.</p>
<p>Purchase of uniforms</p>	<p>Uniform items can be purchased from directly from Beleza Uniforms Supplies, Geelong at 136 Ryrie Street (03 5221 8545).</p> <p>The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the Help with school costs and fees page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government.</p> <p>Please contact the principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide.</p>
<p>Implementation</p>	<p>Grovedale West Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and newsletter updates. We will assist students and families who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.</p> <p>If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.</p> <p>Measures taken by Grovedale West Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.</p>

Exemptions to student dress code	<p>We acknowledge that there might be instances where the enforcement of this dress code could impact students differently.</p> <p>Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background • the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code • the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular financial hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code. <p>When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consider the grounds for the exemption request • explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers • encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence. <p>The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.</p>	
Concerns about this student dress code	<p>Grovedale West Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's <i>Parent Complaint Policy</i>, available on the school's website.</p>	
Communication	<p>This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available publicly on our school's website • Reminders in our school newsletter • Included in staff handbook/manual • Discussed at staff briefings/meetings as required • Included in transition and enrolment packs • Discussed at parent information nights/sessions • Hard copy available from school administration upon request 	
Further information and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grovedale West Primary School Sunsmart Policy • Grovedale West Primary School Parent Complaint Policy • Grovedale West Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy • Department of Education and Training Student Dress Code • Department of Education and Training Student Engagement policies and guidelines. 	
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APPENDIX A: GROVEDALE WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS

The following items may be worn all year round, with either the summer or winter uniform:

Polo shirts Short or long sleeve green (P-2) or navy (3-6) polo shirt, with white side panels and school logo.

Vest. Navy polo vest with school logo.

Jumper. Navy polo zip neck long sleeve jumper with school logo. Navy button neck long sleeve jumper with school logo.

Rugby. Long sleeve rugby top with school logo.

Skorts. Navy skort to be worn with white socks.

School dress. Cotton dress in school colours to be worn with white socks. A singlet or white short sleeved t-shirt is recommended for warmth under the dress if required.

School kilt (winter). Kilt in school colours to be worn with socks or navy tights.

Shorts. Navy shorts (without logo, brand or decoration) to be worn. Shorts are to be thigh length and able to be seen below the school top. Brief shorts and athletic shorts should only be worn for sport.

Track pants. Navy track pants (without logo, brand or decoration) to be worn with navy socks.

School raincoat (optional item). To be navy blue in colour.

Footwear

- Shoes can be black runners, leather school shoes, T-Bar shoes.
- Shoes can also be predominantly white in colour.
- Shoelaces are to be either black or white.
- Opened toed shoes are not permitted for safety reasons.

Socks or tights/stockings. Navy blue or white socks with navy blue tights/stockings

Sport clothing.

- Runners can be worn on allocated sport days.
- Year 3-6. Short sleeve navy polo top with white side panels and school logo can be worn for sport.
- Each student is allocated a 'House' and should have a basic t-shirt in their house colour (red, blue, yellow or green) to wear at 'House' events.
- Senior students will be provided with specific school uniforms for some sporting activities which need to be washed by parents and returned after use.

Headwear.

- Navy blue, green or white head bands, hair ribbons, "scrunchies" or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs.
- Navy broadbrim hats (not peaked hats/caps)
- Navy, broad-brimmed hats to be worn mid August to 30 April.
- Navy winter beanie to be worn May to mid August (if required).

Skivvies. Plain navy skivvy



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GENERAL UNIFORM



Short Sleeve Polo Shirt
RRP From \$27.00
Beleza members in-store price \$25.65



Short Sleeve Sport Polo - Grade 3-6
RRP From \$31.00
Beleza members in-store price \$29.45



Long Sleeve Polo Shirt
RRP From \$30.00
Beleza members in-store price \$28.50



Super Fleece Rugby Top
RRP From \$39.00
Beleza members in-store price \$37.05



Knitted Rugby Top
RRP From \$52.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$49.40



Half Zip Polar Fleece Jacket
RRP From \$38.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$36.10



Polar Fleece Vest
RRP From \$34.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$32.30



Summer Dress
RRP From \$40.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$38.00



Skirt
RRP From \$32.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$30.40



Winter Skirt
RRP From \$50.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$47.50



Heavy Cotton Rugby Shorts
RRP From \$22.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$20.90



Gaberdine Shorts
RRP From \$29.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$27.55



Gaberdine Pants
RRP From \$32.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$30.40



Straight Leg Poly-Nylon Pants
RRP From \$31.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$29.45



Straight Leg Track Pants
RRP From \$30.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$28.50



Track Pants with Cuffs
RRP From \$30.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$28.50

ACCESSORIES UNIFORM



Micro Fibre Adjustable Slouch Hat
RRP \$17.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$16.15



Micro Fibre School Bag
RRP \$43.00
Beleza members in-store price From \$40.85



Tights
RRP \$14.00
Beleza members in-store price \$13.30



Knee High Socks
Navy OR White
RRP \$7.00
Beleza members in-store price \$6.65

Ankle Socks
Navy OR White
RRP \$6.00
Beleza members in-store price \$5.70



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