

Student Dress Code Policy and Guidelines

Rationale

The Dress Code for students is determined by the School Board in consultation with students, parents and staff of the school. The Department of Education requires all public schools to have a dress code and students are required to comply with the code unless they have been granted an exemption. Dress codes are tangible evidence of the standards expected of students. A school's dress code plays an important role in promoting a positive image of the school and creating a sense of identity among students. Being suitably groomed is part of the process by which students learn to engage with employers and the community. It provides means of identification and helps to ensure safety of our students, in the schoolyard and in transit to and from the school.

The benefits

- > 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 community.

Implementation

The principal will:

- Ensure the school council or board has determined the dress code, which does not include clothing made from denim, in consultation with the school community (refer to 3.2.2 Exemptions from the Requirement to Exclude Denim);
- Ensure the school has developed procedures, in consultation with the school community, for supporting compliance and providing assistance.

Implementation of the policy is the responsibility of the principal.

Compliance

Support and assistance are effective ways of achieving compliance. Procedures for supporting compliance with the dress code are approved by the School Board. School management of the dress code is a balance between establishing standards, allowing reasonable opportunity for individual self-expression, and taking account of diversity. Non-confrontational approaches assist in clarifying the reasons for objections to complying with the dress code.

At Landsdale Gardens Primary School, all students from K-6 will wear school uniform as determined in the Landsdale Gardens Primary School Student Dress Code.

- Parents/Carers seeking exemptions to the school's uniform requirements due to religious beliefs, cultural background, student disability, must apply in writing to the school's Principal with supporting evidence.
- All uniform items should be clearly named. If unnamed items are left in the lost property for over two weeks, they will become property of the school.
- Principal to communicate with the parents/carers.



Non-compliance with the Dress Code

The principal will:

- Ensure the school has developed procedures, in consultation with the school community, for managing non-compliance, including exemptions and sanctions.
- Arrange for students who do not comply with the dress code and their families to be counselled and their concerns resolved where possible.
- Apply only those sanctions prescribed in the School Education Regulations 2000 (reg 36) where all other avenues for achieving compliance are unsuccessful and provided it can be demonstrated that financial reasons are not a contributing factor to non-compliance.
- Not apply suspensions, exclusions, or prevent non-complying students from attending or participating in any school activity where the activity, in the opinion of the principal, is an essential part of the student's educational program (reg 36); 01/07/2020.

NON-COMPLYING STUDENT

Under the School Education Regulations 2000, Regulation 36, if a non-complying student is enrolled in a primary program, sanctions will be limited to the following actions only:

- Preventing the student from attending any activity in which the student would have been representing the school;
- Preventing the student from attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the principal, is not part of the educational program (extra-curricular activities).

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Student Dress Code

The Landsdale Gardens Primary School Student Dress Code is the document that provides standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn (school uniform) by students at the school including headwear, footwear and aspects of personal presentation.

At Landsdale Gardens Primary School, this is interpreted as:

Uniform (all students)

- black shorts/skorts/black pants/trackpants
- Landsdale Gardens unisex polo
- undershirts including long sleeved undershirts are required to wear plain black garments with no visible branding, logos or designs
- Landsdale Gardens dress
- black leggings/black stockings (may be worn under dress or skort only as undergarments)
- Landsdale Gardens micro fibre Jacket
- Black/bottle green/green headscarf/hijab
- Landsdale Gardens reversable bucket hat (in allocated faction colours)
- > Landsdale Gardens graduation shirt (year 6 students only)

Sports Uniform: (To be worn on carnival and sports days)

- Black shorts/skorts/black pants/trackpants
- Landsdale Gardens faction polo (in allocated faction colours)
- Landsdale Gardens reversable bucket hat
- Landsdale Gardens micro fibre Jacket
- Headscarf/hijab (in allocated faction colour)

Footwear

- Enclosed sneakers or school shoes clean, in good condition and suitable for sport, climbing and running (no knee-high boots, gumboots, crocs, Ugg boots, thongs, ballet flats or novelty shoes such as those with flashing lights or roller balls on the soles)
- Socks black dress socks or sport socks black/white at or below the ankle

Other

- Single stud or sleeper style earrings only
- > No necklaces, bracelets or bangles (unless required as part of a cultural/religious belief)
- > No nail polish, fake nails or fake tattoos
- > Shoulder length hair or longer must be tied back
- > No makeup to be worn at all times

All uniform items, including footwear, are to be in good condition, clean and free of holes with no visible branding other than the school logo.

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Approved Uniform Range

