



# SPEARWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Dress Code

### Context

A school dress code:

- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school and in building school and team spirit;
- Ensures students are dressed for specific school activities and encourages equity among students;
- Clearly identifies students when they represent, or participate in excursions or at school social functions.

### Dress Code Inclusions

- Children are to adhere to school colours of: Red, Black, Grey and White.
- Tops are to be official school shirts ordered through the Spearwood Primary School P&C.
- Skirts, tracksuit pants, slacks, cargo pants, shorts and shorts should be black.
- Zip up jacket should be the uniform jacket of grey with school colour trim and logo.
- Appropriate enclosed footwear of sneakers or shoes with socks or strapped sandals.
- Faction colours may be worn for faction sports events.
- Hair of both genders is to be tied back and kept clear of the child's eyes.
- Watches, sleepers or small appropriate ear studs.
- Medical Alert bracelets, Medical Alert necklaces and /or Medical Alert bangles.
- Students are to wear appropriate sun safe hats for all outdoor activities all year. 'No Hat, No Sun'.
- All dress code inclusions should be appropriate and in good condition.

### Dress Code Exclusions

- Skate shoes, thongs, slip-ons, ugg boots, rubber or football boots (in class), high heels and platform shoes.
- Jewellery, temporary tattoos and make-up including nail polish are excluded.
- Bulky jackets or coats. These can be worn over a jumper and removed before entry to class.
- Brief shorts, board shorts or denim shorts.
- Leggings alone without other items as listed in inclusions.
- Corporate logos on clothing that are bigger than a credit card.
- Clothing with vulgar, lewd or offensive slogans or pictures.
- Tee shirts and long pants not in block school colours including such things as: denim, textured material, patterned material, jeans, camouflage clothing, checked shirts or long coloured multi striped socks.

### Advice to Students on Dress Code

- A hat is compulsory all year when outdoors.
- School uniforms may be ordered through the Spearwood Primary School P&C.
- Second hand uniforms are available.
- Parents are to be notified of the Dress Code on admission and after any changes are made.
- Compliance with the school dress code is a prerequisite to maintain the 'good standing' required to be involved in extracurricular activities including such things as: interschool sports events and excursions.

### Modification to Dress Code

- Students who for religious, health or cultural reasons may need to modify the school dress code are required to make an appointment with the Principal to negotiate alternatives.
- Parents are required to substantiate the required modification.
- Staff will be informed of these students.
- It is highly desirable that Kindergarten students follow the dress code.

### Sanctions for Non-compliance

Students not following the dress code will receive:

- Counselling from teaching staff on the benefits of a dress code and /or contact with parents.
- If a child is not wearing school colours, they may be offered a loan of school colours for the day, if available.
- A pass for an agreed length of time for dress modification may be issued by Principal.
- Where the Principal is of the opinion that: the kind of clothes worn by a student, or if the hairstyle does not comply with the Health Department requirements, the Principal may exclude the student from any particular school activity, in accordance with regulations supported by the Education Act. These include students representing or participating at sports meetings, incursions, excursions and school activities.

### Positive Rewards of Wearing the School Uniform

- Positive recognition by administration and teachers.
- The knowledge and pride the students have about belonging to Spearwood Primary School.
- Only children in dress code will be privileged in being invited to take messages or receive whole class awards at assemblies.

All Spearwood Primary School Policies function under the: Policies, Instructions and Guidelines of the Department of Education, Western Australia. They are to be reviewed upon changes to the overarching Policies, Instruction and Guidelines or upon a regular three year minimum cycle. 2017 June. To be reviewed before June 2022.

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