

SPEARWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Policy on Dress Code



Students are to adhere to the Dress Code – Appendix A

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, the school or participate in excursions or at school social functions.

Dress Code Inclusions

- Spearwood Primary Students wear the school colours of: Red, Black, Grey and White.
- Polo Tops, Jackets and Hats are to be official school shirts ordered through the Spearwood Primary P&C
- Skirts, tracksuit pants, slacks, cargo pants, skorts and shorts should be black or grey without any logos, large branding or text. The uniform shop may have some of these items but they can be cheaply purchased from major retail chains. Unbranded are usually cheaper.
- Zip up jacket should be the uniform jacket of grey with school colour trim and logo.
- Completely Plain black or grey jackets are also acceptable.
- Appropriate enclosed footwear of sneakers or shoes with socks or strapped sandals.
- Faction t-shirts may be worn on approved Physical Education days and for Faction Sports events.
- Faction colours may be worn for faction sports events.
- Students' hair is to be tied back and kept clear of the child's eyes.
- Jewellery permitted includes: 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
- Red Bucket hats with log are purchased from uniform shop.
- 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, make-up and 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.
- 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.

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Modification to Dress Code

- Niqab, turbans or other religious head coverings are all acceptable in the school colours.
- 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 discuss how we can best support the child and family needs.
- Staff will be informed of these students where the modification does not seem to meet the dress code.
- It is highly desirable that Kindergarten students follow the Dress Code.

Sanctions for Non-compliance

Students not following the dress code will receive:

- Support in being able to acquire the required items.
- 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 student does not comply with the Dress Code requirements, this may result in a loss of Good Standing. The Principal may exclude the student from any extra-curricular activities, in accordance with regulations supported by the Education Act. These include students participating in incursions, excursions, interschool sports events and some school based 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. 2023 June. To be reviewed before June 2026

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APPENDIX A

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The School Board understand a Dress code is tangible evidence of the Standards expected of students and plays an important role in promoting the positive image of our school.

Our dress code supports all students to participate fully in school life. Dress codes help create a sense of identity and a school culture in which every student experiences a sense of belonging.

School polo shirts, jackets and hats can be ordered online through flexi schools or at the uniform shop. Order forms are available at the front office.

Students are required to comply with the dress code unless they have been granted an exemption

The School and P & C will work with families who require assistance to get their children into school uniform.

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