



ELIZABETH NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Dress Code Policy



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Our vision is to inspire a community of learners to achieve personal greatness.

Statement of Intent

The Elizabeth North Primary School has a Dress Code Policy for all students. It is designed to ensure that students are wearing appropriate clothes for school that look neat and make them identifiable, and that peer pressure and potential bullying around clothing is reduced to a minimum. Preschool children are encouraged to wear the uniform however it is not a requirement.

Aims of the Dress Code Policy

- To promote school pride.
- To have all students wearing school uniform at all times.
- To help ensure identification of students/visitors to the school.
- To provide an economically viable cost for school clothing.
- To ensure the safety of students.

Dress Code Expectations

Clothing

- The school colours are predominantly navy blue with a white logo.
- Clothing can be purchased from the Front Office or through the major department stores – the main expectation is that there are no logos, other than the school logo, or stripes/patterns on the clothing.
- Skivvies or long sleeve t-shirts worn under school polo shirts must be navy blue, black or white.
- Long sleeve polo shirts in school colours are acceptable.
- It is expected that students wear black or navy blue pants, jeggings, jeans or shorts without a logo, stripes or sequins and free from rips or tears.
 - Shorts need to be at least mid-thigh length no high cut shorts allowed.
- Navy blue and white checked summer dresses are suitable to wear – girls are encouraged to wear navy blue or black leggings or bike pants underneath the dress. Summer dresses are not available to purchase at the school.
- Hooded jumpers (whether they are navy blue or not) are not allowed due to safety concerns.
- Students are permitted to wear any colour parka/coat to and from school but for students to be permitted to wear it during the day it needs to be either navy blue or black.

Footwear

- For safety reasons students are requested to wear flat shoes, track shoes or enclosed sandals to school. No slip-on shoes, thongs or ugg boots are to be worn at school.

Hats

- School hats are expected to be worn throughout the year. This can be either a broad brimmed or bucket hat available for purchase at the front office or through the QKR online purchasing app. Baseball caps, beanies or coloured hats are not considered to be part of the dress code.

Jewellery and Make-Up



- Piercings - ear lobe piercings with a small stud or sleeper. Facial piercings are not encouraged but are permitted provided jewellery is a stud only – this is for safety reasons.
 - An exemption will be approved for cultural or religious piercings.
- Appropriate jewellery includes: watch, medic alert bracelet and/or religious necklace (which needs to be tucked under tops) – other jewellery will be assessed for safety and students/parents will be advised if there are issues.
- Students are not to wear makeup or wear acrylic/false nails. Nail polish on natural nail is permitted.

Uniform compliance

We believe that a school uniform plays an integral role in creating a sense of unity and belonging and promotes a positive image within the local community. All students, parents and staff will work collaboratively to encourage compliance with the school uniform and dress code standards.

All staff will enforce the dress code policy and take appropriate disciplinary action when students intentionally and persistently ignore reasonable requests to comply with the dress code.

If students are not in school uniform or do not have a hat they will have 10 minutes restricted from their play time and will be required to remain in the eating/no play area designated for R-3 and 4-6 students. Students who choose to not stay in these areas will be reminded of the expectations and a yellow slip will be issued for continued non-compliance.

We will work collaboratively with parents/caregivers to overcome potential barriers to compliance.

Special Circumstances

New enrolments to the school have a negotiated period of time to adjust to the dress code policy. Cultural or special circumstances will be considered on an individual basis. If there is a medical condition that needs to be considered a doctor's certificate is required.

