



An Independent Public School

School Dress Code Policy

MORAWA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Our school community believes that adherence to a School Dress Code promotes a positive image of the school within the wider community. It gives students pride in their school and provides a safe and supportive environment for them. A School Dress Code assists parents with the cost of clothing students. Furthermore it provides a learning opportunity for the students to appreciate that in some context, beyond school, dress codes apply

Hats

The school has developed a “No Hat-No Sun” policy throughout the school year. Any student who wishes to play outdoors or take part in sports and Physical Education classes must wear a hat.

School Uniforms

The School Dress Code will be strongly enforced in line with the Department of Education expectations in this area. This includes the wearing of a hat throughout the year. It is also expected that the students will follow required Health and Safety Regulations in particular classes. This will include such things as wearing closed in shoes in specialist classes. The Uniform Shop is co-ordinated by the P&C Association and the MDHS IPS Board. The P&C Association endeavour to provide affordable pricing of school uniforms and purchasing through the uniform shop is encouraged. Second hand uniforms are available for purchase also through the P&C Association. Legging can only be worn with shorts or a skirt. Denim is not to be worn to school (blue or black). Short skirts and short shorts are not to be worn; they need to be mid length.

This dress code has been developed to:

- Enhance the image for the school within the community.
- Give students pride in their school.
- Provide a safe and supportive environment for all students.
- Assist parents with the cost of clothing students.

Our School Dress Code consists of school shirts (black/gold polo, white dress shirt or house colours) school dress and plain black pants/ shorts/skirts/skorts (no patterns, no other colours or visible logos).

Secondary Students (Years 7 – 12)

- Hats – free choice with appropriate slogans. Brimmed hats recommended.
- Pants, Shorts and Skirts – black. (no patterns, no other colours or overly visible logos). The school will make judgements regarding suitability of attire when required.
- Unisex Black/Gold Zip Jacket or Black Jumper (no patterns, no other colours or visible logos), are the winter uniform.
- Shirts – white dress shirt, black/gold polo, or house colour polo shirts.
- Undergarments- (e.g. long sleeved clothes) worn under the school shirt must be black under polo shirt and white under dress shirt.

Primary Students (Years 1 – 6)

- Hats – free choice with appropriate slogans. Brimmed hats recommended.
- Pants, Shorts and Skirts – black. (no patterns, no other colours or visible logos). The school will make judgements regarding suitability of attire when required.
- Dress – Black, white, yellow check
- Unisex Black/Gold Zip Jacket or Black Jumper (No patterns, no other colours or visible logos), are the winter uniform.
- Shirts – black/gold polo, white dress shirt or house colour polo shirts.
- Undergarments- (e.g. long sleeved clothes) worn under the school dress shirt must be white and black under black/gold polo.



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- House (faction) shirts are available and must be worn for Carnivals.

Footwear

Students are required to wear shoes/sneakers or sandals to school. When participating in Specialist Learning Areas closed in shoes must be worn as required by Health and Safety Regulations.

Procedures for Non-compliance of School Dress Code

The school community, through the P & C Association and IPS School Board has fully endorsed our decision to achieve a greater observance of our students' School Dress Code. Accordingly the following steps will be taken.

- class and form teachers will monitor Student Dress Code compliance through the class roll.
- no hat no play.
- students will be confined to certain areas in the playground during lunch time to assist with identification procedures to ensure Duty of Care. However if continual non-compliance to School Dress Code students will also be confined during recess.
- throughout the day record further students who are not complying with the school dress code and record on Morning Absentee report.
- students in Years 7 to 12 with an aggregate of four days per term will be issued with a Letter of Concern - Dress Code to their parents from their class teacher or appointed staff member.
- when a student in year 7 to 12 is recorded for the 6th time for non-compliance the Deputy is to remove Good Standing.
- a Loss of Good Standing Letter – Dress Code will be sent home and recorded as losing Good Standing as per current procedures.
- Deputy/appointed staff to monitor uniform until Good Standing - Dress Code is reinstated. Students who demonstrate correct dress code over this period will have their Good Standing reinstated.
- if there is patterned behaviour of non-compliance to the School Dress Code, the school reserves the right to consider transferring the loss of Good Standing across terms.

Jewellery and Makeup

Students have a responsibility to be well presented and to ensure that their presentation and actions do not discredit the school or compromise the health and safety of themselves or other students and staff.

Students are expected to follow the teachers' requests in regard to the removal of makeup and jewellery if it does not meet the stated code of behaviour. Envelopes will be provided for any unacceptable items that students are asked to remove. These will be available for collection from the front office at the end of the school day. If accessories or jewellery become an object of distraction, they will be confiscated. Any logos relating to illegal substances or alcohol are not acceptable.

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ITEM	ACCEPTABLE	NOT ACCEPTABLE
<i>Make up</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural colours (secondary), is at the discretion of the Principal. Secondary only Natural foundation, blush, eye shadow, lip gloss Clear nail polish French manicure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heavy make-up [eye liner, eye shadow] Glitter, bright or unnatural colours Coloured nail polish
Hair Colour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural tints, streaks or colours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bright, vibrant, unnatural colours
Earrings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Studs and sleepers Earrings 1cm or shorter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial piercings Stretchers Any piercing not on the lobe of the ear
Rings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum of 2 rings Small and low-profile 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toe rings, if visible
Body Piercings - Cultural reasons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piercings hidden by wearing correct school uniform Cultural reasons may allow for particular piercings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facial piercings New piercings during summer
Bracelets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical bracelets Maximum of 2 per arm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inappropriate sizes, materials, colours or multiple bracelets
Watches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wristwatch 	
Necklaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 maximum Worn inside the shirt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversized necklaces Dog collars Chokers Multiple necklaces
Wallet and key accessories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short clip on key and wallet rings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chains and lanyards
Sunglasses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worn outdoors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worn inside rooms or on top of the head when inside rooms
Deodorants, perfumes, sprays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll-on deodorants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aerosol deodorants Aerosol perfumes All other aerosols