



Caulfield Junior College Student Dress Code

Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the office.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Caulfield Junior College's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Caulfield Junior College's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Caulfield Junior College's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Caulfield Junior College's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden
- Studs, sleepers and watches are the only acceptable jewellery



Health and safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of lice and for student safety.

Jewellery, nails, hair accessories and similar items that interfere with students' ability to engage with school activities safely and fully are not permitted.

Students who wear braids or locs may wear them loose, except for applied technology classes where hair should be tied back for safety purposes.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from mid-August (exact date to be set by the school annually) to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased directly from PSW.

Caulfield Junior College Parents' Club also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents. Further information can be obtained from the front office.

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the [Help with school costs and fees](#) page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government. If your child is starting prep or year 7 and is eligible to receive support via the [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund](#), you may be eligible to access the Affordable School Uniform (ASU) program.

Please contact the principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

IMPLEMENTATION

Caulfield Junior College will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and Compass. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.



If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Caulfield Junior College to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

We acknowledge that there might be instances where the enforcement of this dress code could impact students differently.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular financial hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Caulfield Junior College welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*, available on the school website.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website



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- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed at staff briefings/meetings as required
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Caulfield Junior College Sunsmart Policy
- Caulfield Junior College Parent Complaint Policy
- Caulfield Junior College Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	2026
Consultation	TBC
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	2030



APPENDIX A: CAULFIELD JUNIOR COLLEGE UNIFORM ITEMS

1. Summer Uniform

- Short sleeve dress in navy, white and emerald check pattern.
- Navy or emerald short sleeve polo shirt with school logo.
- Navy gabardine shorts or navy rugby knit shorts.
- Navy culottes, navy shorts or “skort”
- Navy slouch hat with emerald school logo.

0. Winter Uniform

- Long sleeve navy or emerald polo shirt with school logo, or CJC rugby collar windcheater.
- Navy bootleg pants, navy cotton drill pants or navy tracksuit pants.
- Please note leggings are not part of the school uniform.
- Navy tunic or skirt worn with a long sleeve CJC polo shirt.
- Bomber jacket, sleeveless polar fleece vest or rugby collar windcheater.
- Navy Beanie (optional).

0. Shoes

- Sports joggers – with rubber grip on the sole. Smooth soled runners are not suitable.
 - No boots, high tops, Volleys or skate shoes - even if labelled as 'School range' in shops.
- Black leather/vinyl school shoes or black joggers.

Headwear

Navy blue, green or white headbands, hair ribbons, “scrunchies” or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs. Elastic Bands used to tie up hair may be worn in any colour.

Hats – to be worn from August 15 to 30 April

Navy broadbrim without decoration or brand name.

Sports uniform

Green polo top with navy blue shorts/skirt/skort.



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