

Uniform Expectations R-12 February, 2017

The College uniform has been developed through consultation with students, parents and staff and is viewed as a reflection of our aims and values in our vision to develop responsible, work ready citizens. The uniform symbolises belonging, respect for equity, consideration and appreciation of convenience, aesthetics and pride in identity. The College at all times insists on highest standards of uniform, grooming and general appearance.

The full uniform is to be worn, to and from school, and at school, or the sports uniform, where appropriate, only on designated days. If necessity requires a temporary departure from the uniform, a written note from parents/caregiver and/or Doctor's Certificate is required.

Coloured or printed t-shirts are not permitted under the school shirt, if visible. A plain white singlet or chesty t-shirt is allowed.

Additional items such as wet weather gear that are NOT part of the uniform are NOT permitted to be worn at school. Outer jackets for protection and warmth are provided in the Samaritan College uniform kit.

It is expected that students conduct themselves appropriately when representing the College through wearing their uniform in accordance with the guidelines.

JEWELLERY, COSMETICS

Jewellery, in general, should not be worn to school, however, the following basic items are permitted:

- A watch.
- Earrings: no more than one in each ear lobe only. Size is restricted to sleeper, stud or 'huggy' style only.
- 1 Crucifix or affiliated religious medal on a plain chain. Items not permitted include: • Facial or visible body jewellery, 'keepers' or concealers
- Nail polish, graffiti on skin and visible makeup

HAIR

In the interests of maintaining neatness, cleanliness, safety and uniformity, and in the interests of maintaining the high standards of student presentation which the College wishes to uphold and the College community expects, the following policy now applies in respect of students' hair:

- At all times students' hair is to be kept neat and clean.
- Students with hair longer than collar length must at all times have their hair tied up or tied back using an approved hair management device.
- Hair must not cover the face or eyes or parts of the face. By way of example (but not exhaustive or conclusive of all possibilities), hair that is level or below the eyebrows must be tied back using the hair management devices listed below. In specific environments i.e. Tech Studies,

Home Economics some hair styles may require the wearing of hair nets. This is at the discretion of the relevant teacher at the time.

- Each hair management device will be considered individually as to its suitability for approval. The types of hair management devices which might be approved may include hair clips, headbands, ribbons, scrunchies, rubber and other elastic bands. They need to be plain blue, gold, black, white or green. The list is indicative only and is not intended to be exhaustive or conclusive. Head bands should be thin and not the style used by tennis players, for example. Hats are not to be used as a hair management device i.e. students cannot wear the hat in class as a way of tying their hair back.

- Other haircuts, hair styles or hair colouring which do not comply reasonably with the standards of presentation required by the College are not permitted. By way of example (but not exhaustive or conclusive of all possibilities) the types of haircuts, hair-styles or hair colouring which are not permitted include mohawk cuts, rat tails, mullets, skin head styles, dreadlocks and other extremes of style and colour. Haircuts with a no.2 or less blade, where the no 2 blade has been used over the main part of the head/hair are not acceptable. Portions of the scalp must not be shaven, e.g. undercuts or have designs shaved into the hair.

- Facial hair – students need to be clean shaven i.e. no beards, part beards/side burns, moustaches etc. Permission may be granted for special fundraising activities.

The Principal or Deputy Principals reserve the right to make a judgement call on any hair style or device given the changing nature of fashion i.e. impossible to list all future hair styles here.

SANDSHOES/SNEAKERS

Sandshoes should be the appropriate style for the sporting activities undertaken. By the way of example: general running, track and field shoes are appropriate for the range of sporting activities. To protect students' physical health and stature, other leisure shoes including thin soled canvas shoes, are NOT permitted. For example only, (but not exhaustive or conclusive of all possibilities) high sided basketball boots, "Dunlop volleys", canvas casuals or skate shoes are inappropriate for general sporting activities

COLOURED CLOTHES DAY

On certain occasions students may wear casual or coloured clothes to school. Safety and appropriateness are still a consideration and the following are not acceptable on any occasion:

- Singlets including short sleeved football guernseys (unless T-shirt worn underneath)
- Spaghetti strap tops
- Sandals
- Thongs
- High heel shoes
- Caps in place of wide brim hats outside
- Clothing that has inappropriate images on it. These can include violent images, anti-religious images etc.

Students should also be mindful of how or who they dress up as on Fancy Dressed Themed days. Racial, religious and/or political considerations need to be adhered to.