

COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

Preamble

Mount Ridley P-12 College has a uniform dress code for all students which consists of a standardised range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It is in place to clearly identify students of the College. Students will be required to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when engaged in school activities out of school hours. This policy also covers the Mount Ridley P-12 College sports uniform, which students are required to wear whilst participating in all Physical Education and Sport activities.

Rationale

The uniform Dress Code reinforces in students a sense of pride in their appearance. It instils in them the recognition that they are an integral part of the College community and assists in developing pride in representing their College. The wearing of school uniform promotes equality amongst students at Mount Ridley P-12 College and helps to ensure that students are safe within the school environment.

Guiding Principles

The following guidelines will be adhered to in relation to the application of this policy:

- College Council has the responsibility for determining the Dress Code for students;
- The wearing of a uniform dress code ensures that students are identifiable whilst at school, attending school activities and travelling to and from school;
- School uniform items will meet Occupational Health and Safety requirements; and
- Parents will be provided with an affordable, durable range of clothing for their children to wear whilst at school.

Implementation

Mount Ridley P-12 College's uniform has been designed through an exhaustive consultation process. The College Council requires that the College Principal be responsible for the implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Engagement Guidelines. It is a requirement of the College Council that all students will adhere to the uniform dress code which will be enforced by all teachers.

- The uniform dress code, including details of uniform items and prices will be made available to all parents and students through the College newsletter, College handbooks and on the College website;
- The Mount Ridley P-12 College Council has the responsibility of overseeing the College uniform and making recommendations to the College Principal;
- Any recommendations to vary the uniform are voted on by the College Council;
- The College will accommodate the differing religious beliefs of our students in relation to clothing on a case by case basis, as required. Students who are out of uniform are expected to provide a note stating the reason for this;
- Students who are out of uniform without a valid reason will face consequences, as per the College Student Engagement Policy and confiscation of the item as is appropriate; and
- Students in Years 10 - 12 who attend the College out of uniform will have the same consequences as Early, Junior and Middle Years students. After these

processes have been exhausted and every attempt has been made to ensure the Senior student attends in full College uniform, students will be sent home. Every attempt will be made to contact the parent/guardian.

5. Evaluation

As part of the College review cycle this policy will be reviewed every three years.

Date policy ratified: 14-9-21

Date of next review: 2024

APPENDIX – Specific Details of Uniform Requirements

EARLY YEARS MINI SCHOOL (PREP TO YEAR 4)

Girls Summer Uniform

- Summer Dress (in College pattern)
- Summer Culottes (in College pattern) or Black Shorts (with College logo) with Short/Long Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Black Shorts (with College logo) or Black Pants (with College logo)
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Jumper with College logo
- White socks or Black Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform
- There is also an option to wear Black Pants (with College logo)
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

Girls Winter Uniform

- Long/Short Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Winter Tunic or Skirt (in College pattern)
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black or White Tights or Black or White Knee high socks are to be worn with the winter tunic
- There is also an option to wear Black Pants (with College logo) or Black Shorts (with College logo)
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

Boys Summer Uniform

- Black Shorts (with College logo) or Black Pants (with College logo)
- Short/Long Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Jumper with College logo
- Black or White Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform.
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

Boys Winter Uniform

- Black Pants (with College logo) or Black Shorts (with College logo)
- Long/Short Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Woollen Jumper (with College logo)
- Black or White Socks are to be worn with the winter uniform.
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

JUNIOR/MIDDLE/SENIOR MINI SCHOOL UNIFORM (YEARS 5 TO 12)

Girls Summer Uniform

- Summer Dress (in College pattern)
- Summer Culottes (in College pattern) or Black Shorts (with College logo) with Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- V Neck Jumper with College logo
- White or Black Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform
- There is also an option to wear Black Pants or Black Shorts (with College logo) with Short/Long Sleeve Shirt with College logo.
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

Girls Winter Uniform

- Winter Tunic or Skirt in College pattern
- Long/Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- School Tie
- V Neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black or White Tights or Black or White Knee High Socks are to be worn with the winter Tunic or Skirt
- There is also an option to wear Black Pants (with College logo) or Black Shorts (with College logo)
- Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels (with College logo)

Boys Summer Uniform

- Black Shorts (College logo) or black pants (with College logo)
- Short/Long Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- V Neck Jumper with College logo
- Black or White Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform.

Boys Winter Uniform

- Black Pants (with College logo) or Black Shorts (with College logo)
- Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- School tie
- V neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black or White Socks.

GENERAL

Summer/Winter Uniform

As a guide for parents and students:

- The summer uniform is to be worn during Terms 1 and 4
- The winter uniform is to be worn during Terms 2 and 3.
- There is a weather dependent crossover period of the first two weeks of Term 2 and Term 4.

Footwear

- Plain black shoes (lace-up, boot or velcro) are to be worn. Plain black runners may also be worn but they are to have no distinguishing colour features. Footwear should provide orthopaedic support.
- Dunlop Volleys, Vans, Chuck Taylors and other forms of canvas shoes are not to be worn.

Hats/Caps

- The summer slouch hat with College logo must be worn during Terms 1 and 4 (Prep –Year 4).
- The College Cap may be worn during Terms 1 and 4 (Years 5 – 12).
- The Slouch Hat and College Cap are to be worn outdoors only.

College Tie (Junior/Middle/Senior)

- The College Tie must be worn during Terms 2 and Terms 3. It is optional during Term 1 and Terms 4

Jackets

- The Black Spray Jacket with MRC contrast panels is the only type of jacket that can be worn for students in Years P - 12. It can be worn with the standard school uniform or with the sport uniform.
- Year 12 students may wear their College Senior School Jacket in place of the Spray Jacket.

Accessories and Personal Grooming

Hair

- For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back at all times, particularly in technology rooms or laboratories.
- All hair accessories must be plain. Ribbons, scrunchies and headbands must be in school colours for example; black, white, light blue or in the dress, tunic or skirt College pattern.
- Extreme hair colours or styles are not permitted.

Jewellery

- While in general, jewellery other than watches is not permitted, up to two pairs of inconspicuous sleepers/studs may be worn in the earlobes.
- Students are able to wear one clear / translucent facial piercing. (It should be noted that College Council in no way endorses facial piercings and this is a personal matter between parents / carers and their children. In reaching any decision about the wearing of piercings, the obvious health and safety issues, particularly out in the yard or during sport classes should be strongly considered. College Council strongly endorses that these items not be worn during high risk activities such as competitive sport).

Makeup

- Makeup and coloured nail polish should be applied sparingly and appear natural.

Miscellaneous

- A black, school blue or white scarf may be worn in winter (no other colour is permitted). Scarves are to be worn outdoors only.
- Headwear that is worn for religious or cultural reasons should be in plain school colours of blue, black or white.
- It is recommended that the official College backpack is purchased as it has been designed to fit into the College's bag locker. Backpacks should be worn according to their design specifications.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS UNIFORM

The sports uniform is to be worn on days that physical education or sport is held and other occasions as advised by the College.

- Black Sports Shorts with College logo
- Rugby Top with College logo
- Short Sleeve Sports Polo with College logo
- Black Track Pants with College logo
- Spray Jacket with College logo
- White or Black Sport Socks

Footwear

- Runners (lace-up or velcro) which provide orthopaedic support. Dunlop Volleys, Vans, Chuck Taylors and other canvas shoes are not permitted with the Physical Education uniform. Students will not be able to participate in Physical Education lessons if they are wearing incorrect shoes.

Swimwear

- One piece costume for girls or racing 2 piece.
- Bathing suits or box swim shorts for boys (no long board shorts).

UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Uniform items need to be purchased from our approved uniform supplier, PSW.

PSW is located at:

2/283 Rex Road,
CAMPBELLFIELD
Phone: 9768 0337

PSW SHOP ONLINE

www.psw.com.au