

Student Dress Code

Relevant Legislation and Policy

The Parent Advisory Group of Ripley Central State School supports and approves the wearing of the school's uniform by our students. Our adoption of a Student Dress Code is in accordance with Part 9, section 360 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld), where a Student Dress Code will apply when students are attending, or representing, the school. A dress code provides guidance to our school community on the agreed uniform and standards for student's personal presentation. Therefore, students attending Ripley Central State School will wear the designated school uniform and adhere to our Student Dress Code.

The **purpose** of a dress code is to:

- present a united image to the public and so students can be easily identifiable in the wider community, as well as contribute to Ripley Central State School's Values within the school environment and outside in the community.
- create a sense of pride in being associated with our school which will have a reputation of excellence in the educational, sporting, cultural and social development of our students.
- be non-discriminatory as it does not distinguish between students from differing socio-economic backgrounds, gender or religion.
- eliminate the 'fashion' competition between students, and in doing so, reduce the stress of 'keeping up' with the trends as well as the cost of 'brand' clothing.
- exercise self-discipline. Students appreciate that success and happiness is greatly influenced by the level of self-discipline that they can achieve. They particularly need to realise that a dress code applies to most occupations and work places and social/sporting activities.
- enhance student safety, health and wellbeing.

Dress Code

Ripley Central State School is a full uniformed school. We have a Student Dress Code which is a part of our Student Code of Conduct and, in accordance with section 361 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld), is endorsed initially by the Parent Advisory Group and in-time endorsed by the Parents and Citizens Association. The uniform has been designed with elements of sun safety, comfort, climate, modesty, cost, social equity and activity considerations.

All students, with the support of their parents/carers and school, are expected to observe the details of correct attire and wear the complete formal uniform or sports uniform in accordance with school routine. Students who reside in more than one residence, are still required to adhere to our Student Dress Code and families can meet with a member of administration to discuss plans for this if needed. Students should present in a neat and tidy manner at all times, including on their way to and home from our school.

What happens when a student is out of uniform?

- The school will maintain a small bank of uniform items for students who present without the full uniform, so the student can change into the uniform supplied by the school for the day and return in the afternoon to collect their items of clothing.
- Students who do not bring their hat for outdoor activities will play in an undercover area and apply sunscreen for outdoor learning such as HPE.
- Families experiencing financial hardship should make an appointment to meet with the Business Manager to discuss options.
- Our school EPIC value of INCLUSIVE allows all of our students to feel like they belong. Our daily support with the provision of loan uniforms helps this.
- Individual cultural, spiritual, medical or religious considerations can be discussed with our school principal.

Monday		Tuesday, Thursday and Friday		Wednesday	
Formal Uniform		Sports Uniform		House Uniform	
✓ Students wear Formal Uniform from Years 1-6 on delegated days and for any other calendar event as specified by the school. ✓ School unisex formal grey shirt with navy trim. ✓ School navy unisex dress shorts or dress skort. Warmer Additions: ✓ School knitted jumper. ✓ School navy unisex long dress pants. ✓ School navy scarf/beanie. ✓ Navy stockings/tights/skivvy.		✓ Students wear their Sports Uniform on delegated days and if they are participating in school sporting events, representing the school at all Regional and interschool sporting events. ✓ School navy unisex sports shorts or sports skort. Warmer Additions: ✓ School navy unisex long sports pants. ✓ School sports jacket. ✓ School navy scarf/beanie. ✓ Navy stockings/tights/skivvy. ✓ Optional: School navy hoodie or school knitted jumper.		✓ Students wear their House shirt on Wednesdays and if they are participating in school house events, carnivals including; swimming, cross country, sports days as decided by the school. ✓ School unisex navy sports shorts or sports skort. Warmer Additions: ✓ School navy unisex long sports pants. ✓ School sports jacket. ✓ School navy scarf/beanie. ✓ Navy stockings/tights/skivvy. ✓ Optional: School navy hoodie or school knitted jumper.	
Shoes and Socks		Hat and School Bag		Hair, Makeup, Nails and Jewellery	
✓ All black closed-in leather or leather look shoes (formal or joggers) including black soles and laces - worn every day. ✓ Lace up or velcro. ✓ Plain white school socks only. ✓ Socks to be visible above shoe line. ✓ Socks not to be worn with stockings/tights.		✓ Students wear their school hat every day when outside in accordance with the School Sun Safety Policy. ✓ School branded bag is compulsory.		✓ Hairstyles should be neat, clean and tidy. ✓ Hair longer than collar length should be all tied back off the face. ✓ Navy blue small clips and ribbons are accepted. ✓ Nail polish is not permitted. ✓ Fake nails are not permitted. ✓ Make-up is not to be worn to school. ✓ Temporary tattoos must be covered by school uniform or removed prior to attending school. ✓ Small sleepers or studs in ears are acceptable ✓ An analogue or digital watch may be worn with no Wi-Fi access or phone capability. ✓ Small necklaces can be worn concealed beneath the shirt. ✓ Medical bracelets are exempt from the Student Dress Code. ✓ No other jewellery items permitted.	
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