NARRABEEN LAKES UNIFORM POLICY



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RATIONALE:

Schools are to review and document school uniform or dress code requirements in consultation with their communities and to develop strategies for the wearing of school uniforms. School uniforms should reflect school community standards and be consistent with occupational health and safety, antidiscrimination and equal opportunity legislation.

The Department of Education and training supports the wearing of school uniforms by students and the upholding of high standards of dress by students and staff. The Department recognizes that NSW has a long history of school uniforms or dress codes being decided by the local school community.

Department of School Education 2004

DEFINITION:

*A school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It identifies students as belonging to a particular school. It is expected that students will wear the uniform during school hours, whilst traveling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

CHOOSING A UNIFORM:

*Careful selection of a school uniform can contribute to the health and safety of students when engaged in school activities. A school uniform will reflect school community standards and expectations. It will be developed in consultation with, and agreed upon by, the school community, based on a strong student and parent voice. The whole school community has a role to play in encouraging the meeting of these standards.

PRINCIPLES:

- *When deciding on a new school uniform, occupational health and safety anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation will be considered. Aspects of the uniform related to safety, e.g. safe footwear and hats will be enforced as appropriate.
- *The school uniform policy will be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and parents or carers and the P & C. Consultation will be conducted in a manner appropriate to the school and be based on participatory decision-making principles. The school's uniform policy and uniform requirements will be formally endorsed by the school community before implementation.
- *A period of two years grace will be allowed for full implementation of any uniform changes.
- *The school uniform policy and school uniform requirements will be reviewed at least every five years and amended where necessary. When circumstances change significantly or issues arise, groups within the school community may also seek a review.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- *Students will be encouraged to wear the school uniform through positive reinforcement.
- *Everyone has a role in setting the standards for the school. Teachers and other school staff model appropriate standards for students. They should dress in a professional manner at all times.
- *Students are not to be suspended or expelled for non-compliance with uniform requirements. A student's enrolment cannot be contingent upon adherence to school uniform policy.

*If parents conscientiously object to the wearing of school uniform, this should be respected. Discussions with the principal need to undertaken to agree upon clothing which reflects community standards and health and safety issues eg closed shoes and sunsafe hats are still required. Please see below: *Jewellery and non-uniform items*.

*For child safety reasons students must wear full school uniform on excursions and other out of school events unless otherwise stipulated. If students are conscientious objectors, they must wear an identifying item eg a school hat.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

*The principal is responsible for ensuring that the school uniform policy is developed and reviewed collaboratively with the school community.

*When a school community agrees on a school uniform, the principal oversights the shared responsibility for ensuring that students are encouraged to wear school uniforms that meet agreed community standards and adhere to legislative requirements.

DRESS CODE:

Our aim is for all students to wear full school uniform. Full uniform means the wearing of standard uniform clothing and footwear each school day (except on special occasions as directed e.g. Mufti Days, though covered footwear is expected for safety reasons).

UNIFORM ITEMS:

SUMMER	WINTER
Tunic – summer fabric	Tunic -winter fabric with white blouse or white skivvy
Culottes - summer Fabric	Culottes - winter fabric
Polo -long or short sleeve maroon NLPS logo	Polo- long or short sleeve maroon - NLPS logo
Grey shorts or pants	Grey shorts or pants
NLPS logo jersey zip or NLPS logo polar fleece zip	NLPS logo jersey zip or NLPS logo polar fleece zip
White/grey socks.	White/grey socks. Navy socks or tights (with tunic)
Black enclosed shoes (black soles/black laces)	Black enclosed shoes (black soles/black laces)
Wide brim hat - NLPS logo - COMPULSORY.	Wide brim hat - NLPS logo - COMPULSORY.
Sport	Sport
Polo shirt sport short/long sleeves white-NLPS logo	Polo shirt sport short/long sleeves white-NLPS logo
Shorts/skorts sport maroon	Shorts/skorts sport maroon
Long sports pants	Long sports pants
NLPS logo jersey zip or NLPS logo polar fleece zip	NLPS logo jersey zip or NLPS logo polar fleece zip
White socks	White socks
Sports shoes	Sports shoes
Wide brim hat - NLPS logo - COMPULSORY.	Wide brim hat - NLPS logo - COMPULSORY.
Backpack Blue backpack with NLPS logo.	Backpack Blue backpack with NLPS logo.

^{*}Regular reminders of correct uniform and expectations will be placed in the newsletter.

^{*} The principal is to provide parents or carers with the school's uniform policy and school uniform requirements.

JEWELLERY and OTHER ITEMS

- *The wearing of jewellery generally is not encouraged. Items not to be worn are rings, necklaces, bangles/bracelets and earrings (other than plain stud earrings and small sleeper earrings).
- *Items may need to be removed or taped during sport or physical activity for safety reasons.
- *Face piercings are not allowed due to health and safety reasons.
- *Non uniform items which should not be worn to school include (but are not limited to): bike pants, leggings, baseball caps, beanies, decorative headbands, non–school coloured ribbons, scarves, hoodies and jeans.

AVAILABILITY

- *All uniform items except for shoes, socks and tights are available from the uniform shop located on the school premises.
- *The uniform shop is open on certain days of the year, such as Kindergarten Orientation and prior to the new school year commencing. Otherwise, it is by appointment. A limited clothing pool is also available by contacting the uniform shop.
- *Please email: narrabeenlakesuniformshop@gmail.com
- *Online orders can be placed via the uniform shop page on the school website. These items are delivered to your child's class teacher.

http://www.narrabeenlakesuniformshop.com.au/