

STUDENT DRESS CODE



HELP FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact Braybrook College on 9312 2900 or braybrook.sc@education.vic.gov.au.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Braybrook 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 Braybrook College's School Council in 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 Braybrook 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 Braybrook College's 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
- Uniform items must not be modified/tampered with
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden
- Dress/skirt length must sit just above the knee or longer
- Hats/caps are not to be worn indoors
- Jewellery should be kept to a minimum e.g. studs, sleepers and watches
- Facial piercings are not recommended. Only one facial piercing, of a conservative nature, will be allowed.
- Make up/nail polish should be kept to a minimum and be of a conservative nature (e.g. neutral tones only)
- Extreme hairstyles and colours are not permitted

Health and safety

- Shoulder length or longer hair should be tied back during practical classes and activities for student safety
- Jewellery, hair accessories and similar items that interfere with students' ability to engage with school activities safely and fully are not permitted.
- Lip piercings are unacceptable due to health and safety issues
- Hats/caps are encouraged to be worn outdoors

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased directly from the Uniform Shop conveniently located near the college administration area at school, or parent/carers may order it online from Double C Jeanery at www.dcsuniforms.com.au

Braybrook College also has second-hand uniform items for students to borrow, if required.

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 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 General Office and ask to speak to the Wellbeing Coordinator to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

IMPLEMENTATION

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

- If a student is out of school uniform, they will be assisted to change into school uniform e.g. parents contacted to deliver uniform to school or uniform items are provided by the school
- If a student breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, the family will be contacted by the Year Level Team
- If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, consequences will be escalated
- The school will endeavour to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Braybrook 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

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

Braybrook 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 [Complaints Policy](#).

COMMUNICATION

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

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed in student forums
- Available on Compass (In School Documentation Folder)
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights
- Hard copy available from General Office upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Braybrook College Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Braybrook College Uniform and Supplementary Dress Policy
- Braybrook College Uniform Booklet
- Department of Education [Student Dress Code](#)

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	23 rd April 2025 (To be reviewed every four years)
Consultation	SRC – 23 rd April 2025 School Council – 12 th May 2025
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	Before April 2029

APPENDIX A: UNIFORM ITEMS

Formal Uniform – can be worn all year round

Years 7 - 10

- Navy Blue long pants or chequered skirt to be worn with white socks (at least 10cms above the ankle) or navy blue tights
- White long sleeve shirt (with logo)
- College tie
- Navy Blue Woollen jumper (with logo)
- College Maroon Blazer (with logo)
- Black leather shoes

Years 11 and 12

- Black long pants or chequered skirt to be worn with white socks (at least 10cms above the ankle) or black tights
- White long sleeve shirt (with logo)
- College tie
- Maroon Woollen jumper (with logo)
- College Maroon Blazer (with logo)
- Black leather shoes

Optional Uniform Items

- Summer Dress to be worn with white socks (at least 10cms above the ankle)
- Shorts – Navy Blue (Years 7 -10) or Black (Years 11 and 12) to be worn with white socks (at least 10cms above the ankle)
- White short sleeve shirt (with logo) – no tie required if worn without a jumper or blazer
- Neck scarf (with logo) – Navy Blue (Years 7 -10) or Black (Years 11 and 12)
- Head scarf – Navy Blue (Years 7 -10) or Black (Years 11 and 12)
- Black Leather runners (no logos permitted)
- Year 12 commemorative jacket may be worn (must be worn with a white shirt and tie but the maroon jumper is optional)
- Plain, flat black leather boots may be worn under long pants only

Sports Uniform

- Sports Polo shirt – plain navy (with logo)
- Sports shorts – plain navy
- Track pants – plain navy
- Sports jacket – plain navy (with logo) – **Not to be worn with College uniform**
- Sports shoes – any colour but must have non-marking soles

House Polos

- House coloured polo (with logo) – Centaur (Green), Gryphon (Gold), Pegasus (Blue) and Phoenix (Red).

Please check with an Assistant Principal if you have any queries around any of our uniform items.