

BROOKTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



DRESS CODE

Last update – September 2023

Rationale

The Brookton District High School Dress Code is established to provide clear guidelines for all parents, students, and staff to ensure that all students attending the school are neat and appropriately dressed for school activities.

Expected Outcomes

The school dress code will:

- foster and enhance the public image of the school.
- assist in building school and team spirit.
- ensure students are safely dressed for specific school activities.
- encourage equity among students; and
- prepare students for work, as many workplaces have dress and safety codes.

Guidelines

- The school expects all students, in the compulsory years of schooling, to wear the approved clothing as detailed in Appendix 1.
- At all times, students are expected to wear their school dress appropriately and to maintain it in a clear and tidy state.
- A student who is not appropriately dressed will not be allowed to represent the school or participate in a school excursion that is not an essential part of the learning program.
- In specific circumstances, exemptions from the Dress Code may be approved by the principal.
- If students are unable to comply with the Dress Code, parents are asked to notify the school and the student will be issued with a Uniform Pass for the day.
- All changes to the Dress Code must be approved by the School Council following wide consultation within the school community.

Exemptions

Parents/carers may apply to the principal for their children to be exempted from complying with the one or more requirements of the Dress Code for any of the following reasons:

- the unavailability of a component of the dress code.
- a matter relating to the student's health.
- a matter relating to the religious beliefs of the student or the student's family.
- a matter relating to the cultural background of the student or the student's family.
- any other matter which, in the principal's opinion, is sufficient to exempt the student from complying with the requirement.

On an application, the principal may grant an exemption, for such period as the principal thinks fit and subject to certain conditions. The school will keep appropriate records of exemptions as required by the *School Education Regulations 2000*.

The principal may revoke or vary an exemption at any time.



Management of Compliance with Dress Code

The school will provide encouragement for students to wear the approved dress in the following ways:

- Teachers will highlight the positives of school dress and include this as a component of their classroom incentives program.
- School assemblies will be used to promote and praise school dress compliance.
- Whole school competitions based on the proportion of students in each class who are wearing school dress.
- Faction points issued to classes or individuals for consistently wearing school dress.

If a student consistently fails to comply with the Dress Code, the following procedures will apply:

- Step 1: The classroom teacher will give verbal reminders of the Dress Code requirements.
- Step 2: Parents will be notified in writing of the possible consequences for continued non-compliance. (See Appendix 2)
- Step 3: Parents will be issued with written notification that the student will be withdrawn from participation in the next incursion, excursion or other school activity that is, in the opinion of the principal, not an essential part of the learning program. (See Appendix 3).

Availability of Dress Code Items

- The school uniform may be purchased through the P&C Association. (Enquiries to the school office).
- Second-hand uniforms may, from time to time, be available at the school.
- Students whose families may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should contact the school to discuss the situation.

Can be worn:

Small stud//sleeper earring (not dangles).

A flat signet ring only

A watch

No chains, bracelets, bangles, beads or visible piercings.

No Make-up or/Nail Polish to be worn at school.

No unnatural hair colours accepted for students.

**SUBSTITUTE T SHIRTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE –
SHIRTS MUST HAVE SCHOOL CREST
NO DENIM CLOTHING FOR PRIMARY and SECONDARY STUDENTS**

Appendix 1: School Dress



School Uniform

Summer: Years 1 - 10

Girls: Bottle green polo shirt with gold embroidered logo worn with: -
- black skorts
- black skirt
- black shorts

Boys: Bottle green polo shirt with gold embroidered logo worn with: -
- black shorts

Winter: Years 1 - 10

Girls: Bottle green polo shirt with embroidered gold logo worn with: -
- plain black taslon or fleecy tracksuit pants
- plain black Jazz or bootleg pants
- plain black cargo pants
- bottle green polar fleece zip-up jacket with embroidered gold logo.
- bottle green microfibre jacket with embroidered gold logo.
- black and school green jacket with embroidered school logo (primary)
- black and yellow school jacket with embroidered school logo (secondary)

Boys: Bottle green polo shirt with embroidered gold logo worn with: -
- plain black or fleecy tracksuit pants
- black cargo trousers
- bottle green polar fleece zip-up jacket with embroidered gold logo.
- bottle green microfibre jacket with embroidered gold logo.
- black and school green jacket with embroidered school logo (primary)
- black and yellow school jacket with embroidered school logo (secondary)

Physical Education: Years 1 – 10

Girls & Boys

Faction shirt colours are.

- **Seabrook** – white
- **Avon** – Green (normal school shirt)
- **Dale** – Gold
- Black skirt, shorts or skorts

Footwear

Covered footwear specifically for the areas of: -
- Design & Technology
- Food & Clothing Technology and Information Technology
- Science and Physical Education
- Art

Headwear

Wide brim hat or School Green Cap (Primary)
Black school hat (Secondary)

All shoes & sandals must have a closed in heel or strap. No platform shoes permitted, only flat heels.

Appendix 2



BROOKTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

20 Tiller Street
BROOKTON WA 6306

Ph 9642 5000

Mr and Mrs Parent
43 Main Street
BROOKTON WA 6306

Dear John and Mary

SCHOOL DRESS CODE COMPLIANCE

It has come to our notice that your child, Bob, has not been wearing appropriate school dress on a consistent basis as outlined in our Dress Code. The Dress Code has been developed by our community to achieve the following outcomes for students.

- foster and enhance the public image of the school.
- assist in building school and team spirit.
- ensure students are safely dressed for specific school activities.
- encourage equity among students; and
- prepare students for work, as many workplaces have dress and safety codes.

We try to encourage all students to wear the approved school attire as we believe this has a positive influence on the tone and morale of the school. Despite receiving reminders about this Bob has not complied with the Dress Code requirements.

Our Dress Code states that therefore for students who do not consistently wear school dress, they may be withdrawn from participation in the next incursion, excursion or other school activity that is not considered to be an essential part of the learning program. Unless Bob regularly wears school dress in the future, we will impose this consequence.

Should you wish to discuss this matter or if there are circumstances that are preventing Bob from wearing the school dress, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9642 5000.

Yours sincerely

Principal

(Date)

Appendix 3



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20 Tiller Street
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Telephone: 96 42 5000

Mr and Mrs Parent
43 Main Street
BROOKTON WA 6306

Dear John and Mary

SCHOOL DRESS CODE COMPLIANCE

I wrote to you on (Date) to highlight to you our concerns about Bob's failure to comply with the requirements of our school's Dress Code. This situation has not changed significantly since that time.

Because of this I must inform you that Bob will not be permitted to participate in the next incursion, excursion or other school activity that is not considered to be an essential part of the learning program. You will be notified of the specific event prior to the consequence being imposed.

We regret having to take this action but believe that the Dress Code established by our school community for the benefit of all students must be consistently applied.

Should you wish to discuss this matter please do not hesitate to contact me on 9642 5000.

Yours faithfully

Principal

(Date)