



KURABY STATE SCHOOL

DRESS CODE POLICY

It is an expectation of the Kuraby State School Community – the Principal, Staff and the Parents & Citizens Association (P & C) – that all students abide by the School Dress Code Policy. The Application for Student Enrolment at Kuraby State School is taken as acceptance of this policy. The agreement is signed by the parent/caregiver at time of interview.

WHY DO WE HAVE A DRESS CODE?

Our School Community believes that the Dress Code requirement is important in developing a sense of identity and pride for our students. It aligns with the general expectation in today's workforce where, in most instances, there is an established Dress Code at the work site. For students, this school is their work site.

Our Uniform:

- Caters for all students in the school community in a manner sensitive to gender and cultural and social issues;
- Meets requirements of occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation;
- Promotes the health and safety of students by identifying items necessary for particular activities eg. Items for sun protection and appropriate footwear for day-to-day activities;
- Provides students with equal access to the full range of school activities;

UNIFORM SPECIFICS

- Short or long sleeved official school polo shirt with school crest (*available from the Uniform shop*);
- Royal Blue shorts/pants/skirt/skort;
- Royal Blue bucket style(*with Gold trim-available at the Uniform Shop*), wide brimmed or legionnaire style hat;
- Hijabs must be Royal Blue or Gold in colour;
- Royal Blue Winter jacket/jumper – plain colour (*no prints or patterns*) or jacket with school logo (*available from the Uniform Shop*)

PERMITTED

- Students may wear Black or Royal Blue coloured tights under their shorts, skirt or skort;
- A plain, long sleeved shirt; Royal Blue, Gold or Black in colour, may be worn under the official school polo shirt;

NOT PERMITTED

- Tops and pants of varying colours other than Royal Blue (*with the exception of a 'House' coloured shirt during Cross Country Carnival and Athletics Carnival*);
- shorts/pants/skirts/skort of varying colours other than Royal Blue;
- Adorned or highly decorative hijabs;
- Sun protection that is NOT Royal Blue in colour.

Parents MAY be contacted if students attend school in clothing that is not permitted.

FOOTWEAR

PERMITTED

- Black leather, lace-up or Velcro, closed-in school shoes OR lace-up or Velcro sneakers must be worn;
- Shoes should be robust enough to handle every day activities as well as be suitable for engaging in physical activities;
- Socks should be white or black in colour;

NOT PERMITTED

- Thongs or open-toed footwear, which does not permit students to actively participate in H/PE lessons or protect feet during educational activities and lunch-time play.
- Slippers or ballet flats are not a safe option and do not provide protection for the toes and feet;
- Brightly coloured or fluorescent sneakers;

PURPOSE

The wearing of school uniforms by students of Kuraby State School will assist the school community to:

- Easily identify the students as members of the Kuraby State School;
- Develop students' sense of belonging to the school community;
- Provide an opportunity to build school spirit and pride;
- Enhance the health and safety of students when involved in school activities;
- Promote a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity;
- Reinforce the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment;
- Increase the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school;
- Make school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear fashionable and expensive clothes.

HEALTH AND SAFETY LEGISLATION

The school must ensure that students are not exposed to risks to their health & safety and must take steps to identify and eliminate or control such risks.

Our School Community:

- Requires students to wear appropriate footwear or other protective clothing so as to avoid injury;
- Requires students to wear a hat for out of classroom activities at all times;
- Requires that jewellery or other items that could, with reasonable foreseeability, cause an injury to themselves or other students, are not worn.

COMPLIANCE

- The school uniform is to be worn to school every day of the school week. Students attending excursions outside of the school grounds **MUST** wear full school uniform;
- A T-Shirt showing your House colour, may be worn only on the day of the Cross Country Carnival and Athletics Carnival;

- Students who participate in Music or Sports programs may require a specific performance uniform. Supervisors of these programs will notify parents and uniforms will be loaned to students for the duration of their extra-curricular program;
- Hair styles and colours are to be of a conservative nature in order not to draw unnecessary attention to the student. ie; razored tracks, partially shaved or bright, unnatural colours.

NON-COMPLIANCE

The school may impose a sanction in the event of non-compliance which is limited to one of the following:

- Preventing a student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational program.
- Preventing a student from attending or participating in, any activity for which the student is representing the school.
- Parents will be informed of a student's non-compliance through the normal channels of home-school communication.

UNIFORM SHOP

The current range of school uniform items can be viewed and purchased at the school uniform shop. Refer to the school website Uniform Price List for opening times, range and pricing.

HATS

- Hats must be worn while students are participating in H/PE lessons, coaching or recreational activities outside the classroom.
- Hats are to be wide brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style in the official school colour of royal blue.
- Caps and hats with other logos are not permitted.

JEWELLERY

PERMITTED ITEMS

- Watch;
- Small religious symbols which do not pose a safety risk to students are acceptable after prior approval from the Principal.
- Earrings – sleepers or studs; (*2 per ear maximum*)
- For safety reasons, students may be asked to remove large chains or leather necklaces which may act as choking devices when students are involved in a sport or a gross motor activity;

NOT PERMITTED

- All other jewellery (*other than listed above*) must be left at home and not worn or brought to school.
- Kuraby State School will not be responsible for valuables if lost, stolen or misplaced.

PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION ENDORSEMENT

The Parents & Citizens Association(P&C) of Kuraby State School approves that it supports this Uniform Dress Code Policy. It believes that a student dress code promotes objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Bill 2006. The P&C of Kuraby State School supports the intention of a student dress code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by;

- Easy identification of students and non-students at the school;
- Eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;
- Fostering a sense of pride and belonging;
- Developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of social or economic differences.

Principal



Date - 3/9/18

P&C President



Date - 03/09/2018