

# Williamstown High School

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Review cycle	3 to 4 years
Department of Education and Training DET requirement for local policy	optional
Source of requirement	not applicable
Consultation requirement	nil
Approval requirements	School Council
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#### 1. Rationale

Williamstown High School School Council has adopted a mandatory uniform to be worn by students. A student dress code can contribute to a safe and secure learning environment for all students. Our student dress code will meet human rights and anti-discrimination requirements and include exemption processes and address health and safety considerations. School Council will engage the school community in the continued development of our student dress code.

#### 2. Purpose

A school uniform, in addition to addressing safety, can promote a sense of cohesion, inclusivity, citizenship and school spirit.

#### 3. Implementation

School uniform is compulsory for all students, during the school day and when travelling to and from school, and at school events as required. The items are to be clean and in good order. At Williamstown High School, uniform requirements are supplied by Dobsons Pty Ltd (onsite at Bayview Campus) unless otherwise specified. The following requirements also apply:

- students with pierced ears/other body piercings are to wear small, stud type jewellery so to be safe in all learning environments
- jewellery needs to be simple, in small amounts and appropriate to the learning environment
- students choosing to wear hair ties and similar items are to be of hair or school colours

Please note specific learning areas may require additional safety measures, ie.physical education classes-removal of jewellery, technology classes-jewellery removal, hair tied back

Students can choose from the following items:

#### **Academic Uniform**

- white long sleeve shirt or blouse
- white short sleeve shirt
- winter skirt
- summer dress
- white long or short sleeve polo shirt with WHS logo
- black woven trousers with WHS logo
- black fitted woven trousers
- black woven shorts with WHS logo
- soft shell jacket with WHS logo
- black pullover with WHS logo
- black, sturdy leather/vegan leather shoes for safety
- black plain socks or tights
- white plain socks

#### **Physical Education Uniform**

- cherry long or short sleeve polo shirt with WHS logo
- black sports shorts with WHS logo
- black tracksuit pants with WHS logo

note: to be worn with non-marking soled sports shoes

note: shorts, skirt and dress are to be just above the knee in length

#### **Accessories**

- tie-optional with white shirt/blouse
- bucket hat with WHS logo
- cap with WHS logo
- plain black scarf

Students representing the school are required to wear the Physical Education Uniform at events.

Students in the Accelerated Sports Program may have the option of purchasing additional items that can be worn during relevant classes and at events.

#### Headwear

- the school cap or bucket hat can be worn outdoors
- cultural and religious headwear, ie. hijab, pagri, can be worn in school colours

Requests for exemptions to compliance with the Uniform Policy will be considered by the Principal Class.

#### 4. Specific procedures

Williamstown High School will ensure our Uniform Policy is communicated to all students and parents/carers through means including Compass and our website. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulty complying with this policy where possible. Financial support with purchase of uniform is available through our Student Welfare Coordinator, and Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund recipients.

If a student is out of uniform, the student needs to provide written documentation from the parent/carer to the relevant Homegroup teacher, year level coordinators. Breaches on a recurring basis, will require parent/carer involvement and a plan developed to support appropriate wearing of our school uniform.

#### 5. Evaluation and Review

Each 3-4 years

#### 6. Definitions and References

- Sunsmart Policy https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/sun-protection/policy
- Parent Complaint Policy
  <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/spag/communit-y/policyparentsconcerns.pdf">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/spag/communit-y/policyparentsconcerns.pdf</a>
- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training Dress Code https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/student-dress-code/policy
- Department of Education and Training Student Engagement policies and guidelines <a href="https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/student-engagement/policy">https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/student-engagement/policy</a>

#### **Consultative process**

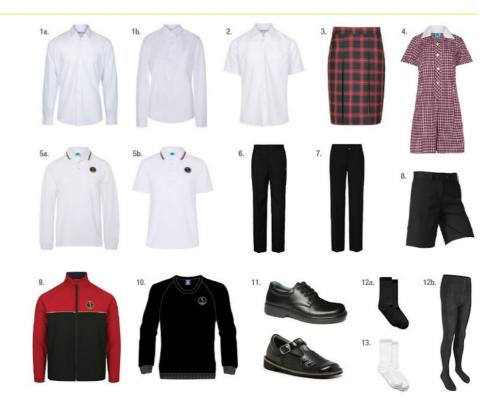
- not required
- tabled at Educational Policy sub-committee

# Williamstown High School Uniform Guide



#### **Academic Uniform**

- White Long Sleeve Shirt or Blouse
- 2. White Short Sleeve Shirt
- 3. Winter Skirt
- 4. Summer Dress
- 5. White Long or Short Sleeve Polo Shirt with WHS logo
- Black Woven Trousers with WHS logo
- 7. Black Fitted Woven Trousers
- 8. Black Woven Shorts with WHS logo
- 9. Soft Shell Jacket with WHS logo
- Black Pullover with WHS logo
- Black, sturdy leather/vegan leather shoes for safety
- Black Plain Socks or Tights
- 13. White Plain Socks



#### **Physical Education Uniform**

- Cherry Long or Short Sleeve Polo Shirt with WHS logo
- 2. Black Sport Shorts with WHS logo
- Black Tracksuit Pants with WHS logo

Note: To be worn with non-marking soled sport shoes.



#### Accessories

- School Bag with WHS logo
- Tie Optional with White Shirt
- Bucket Hat with WHS logo
- Cap with WHS logo
- Black Plain Scarf







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