

# **CLEVELAND STATE SCHOOL**

## STUDENT DRESS CODE

Cleveland State School is proud to be a uniform school. The wearing of school uniforms has many positive effects including:

- $\checkmark$  developing a sense of belonging amongst students,
- ✓ instilling a sense of school pride,
- $\checkmark$  contributing to the good name of the school,
- $\checkmark$  making it easier to distinguish strangers from students,
- $\checkmark$  removing competitive fashion trends and peer pressure influences,
- ✓ minimising costs to parents.

The following outlines the Student Dress Code for Cleveland State School -

### CLOTHING

Boys Day Uniform CSS black shorts, polo shirt, school hat. Girls Day Uniform CSS black skorts/short, polo shirt, school hat. Dress Uniform Optional dress is available. Variations – All students Sports Uniform Coloured polo shirt (blue, orange, green or red depending on sporting house). To be worn only for nominated sports events. Cultural Uniform A cultural uniform is made available for hire to students in performing arts. Winter Uniform Black track pants can be worn. A black jumper, fleecy jacket or microfibre jacket with school logo must be worn. Plain black tights are acceptable.

#### FOOTWEAR

Black shoes with white or black socks (plain black runners/black sports shoes are acceptable). (For safety reasons, all students must wear closed in shoes at all times)

#### SUN SAFETY

All students must wear the school hat for all outside activities. Caps or brightly coloured hats are not acceptable.

Cleveland State School has a 'No hat, no play' policy.

#### PERSONAL PRESENTATION

- ✓ Hair should be neat, naturally coloured and without embellishments (tracks, highlights etc). Hair that is shoulder length or longer should be tied back and hair accessories should be minimal and match the school uniform.
- ✓ Make up, nail polish and body art are not appropriate for school.
- ✓ Jewellery Watch
  - One flat ring only
  - One pair of studs or sleepers.
  - Other face/body piercings are inappropriate.

(For safety reasons, sleepers should not be worn while participating in sporting activities.)

- Necklaces and bangles are not to be worn

### CONSEQUENCES FOR NON COMPLIANCE WITH STUDENT DRESS CODE

If a student does not wear the correct school uniform the following actions may be taken:

- 1) The student may be offered appropriate items from the bank of spare uniforms held at the school for this purpose.
- 2) The student may be prevented from attending or participating in any activity (that is not an essential education program) for which the student is representing the school.
- 3) Parents informed and support requested to prevent recurrence.
- 4) Imposing a detention during play break.
- 5) Removal of inappropriate items/adornments e.g. jewellery or make-up.

#### EXEMPTIONS

• Students whose impairments prevent their ability to conform to the dress code or students whose families have religious or cultural grounds for seeking an exemption will need to discuss their situation with a member of the school administration team.

• Newly enrolled students or families experiencing genuine hardship may contact the Principal to make arrangements for the loan of clothing for a limited period only.

• A parental note should be provided for students requiring an exemption on a 'one off basis' for medical reasons.

#### FREE DRESS DAYS

- ✓ All footwear is to be closed in. High platform shoes, sandals and thongs are not suitable footwear.
- ✓ Normal make-up and jewellery rules apply.
- ✓ Items of clothing are to be sun-safe in nature and appropriately modest. Tops are to cover shoulders and stomach area. Skirts, shorts and pants must be of a modest length, not too tight and not so low on the hips as to show any skin.
- ✓ Items of clothing should be in good repair and properly laundered.
- ✓ Items of clothing that carry references to dangerous or illegal substances or offensive language (including swearing or discriminatory words or phrases) are not to be worn.