Middle Ridge State School

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Uniform and Appearance Policy

2025

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Rationale

Our uniform and appearance policy aims to support students:

- foster a positive identity for the school in the community
- support safety through the easy identification of students
- ensure safe and acceptable standards of dress for all students
- promote a sense of belonging and inclusion for all students
- to build pride in the school
- To reduce distractions related to competition in dress and fashion

Relevant Legislation and Policy

This policy has been developed in accordance with:

- Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld) Chapter 2, Part 1-3, Part 4 Division 3-4, Part 4 Division 10, Part 5
- Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cwlth) Part 1, Part 2 Division 2, Part 2 Division 5
- Disability Standards for Education 2005 • Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) Chapter 12, Part 9 ss.360-363
- Human Rights Act 2019 (Qld) Part 2
- Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cwlth) Part II s.9
- Sex Discrimination Act 1984 (Cwlth) Part I, Part II Division 2, Part II Division 4
- Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (Qld)

Expectations of Middle Ridge State School Students

In accordance with this Uniform and Appearance Policy, students should wear the uniform when attending school, whilst travelling to and from school and when representing the school at events, excursions, public appearances or other school functions as specified. It is expected that student uniforms are presentable – neat and tidy, clean and in good condition.

This Uniform and Appearance Policy was approved and endorsed by:

Jouwana Habash	Codie McKeon	Leon Kim & Adele Sheehan
Principal (Acting T2-2025)	P and C President	Student Council Representatives

Date: 25-06-2025

Uniform



Navy blue polo shirt with school logo



Navy blue shorts with school logo



Navy blue shorts without school logo



Navy blue dress with school logo



Checked Blouse



Navy blue skorts without logo



Navy blue long sleeve polo shirt with school logo



Navy blue jacket with school logo



Navy blue tracksuit or long pants without logo



Navy blue jumper with school logo



Navy blue wide brim hat with school logo



Blue bucket hat (Prep) with school logo



Navy blue hijab





Navy blue patka/turban

Optional Year 6 uniform

Year 6 Senior Jersey



Year 6 Senior Shirt



Undershirts and Visibility



To maintain the integrity and appearance of the school uniform, the following guidelines apply to undershirts:

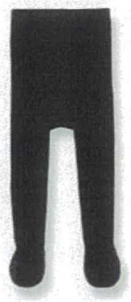
1. **Visibility of Undershirts**: Long or short sleeve undershirts must be navy blue.
2. **Design and Decoration**: Undershirts should be plain and free from any writing, logos, or pictures. Any form of decoration that is visible through or outside the uniform is not permitted.

Footwear – Plain navy blue socks/stockings/tights/leggings

Plain navy blue socks visible above the shoe line







Footwear – Shoes

Black closed in leather shoes or black closed in joggers that are below the ankle. Lace up shoes must have black shoe laces only. See examples and non example.











If the school uniform is not able to be purchased or worn please contact the school office to discuss other options.

Sporting Events

During sporting events students are encouraged to wear a polo shirt in their house colours.

Ramsay – Red Spring – Yellow

Hume – Purple Stenner – Green



Music Events

The Music Performance Uniform consists of a school-supplied vest and bow-tie, to be worn with the following items supplied by parents:

- Plain white long-sleeved collared shirt with buttons up to the neck to allow for the bow-tie to be fitted neatly beneath the collar.
- Plain black pants, in the style of business slacks, that are long enough to touch your child's shoes. Jeans, leggings or tracksuit pants are not an appropriate performance uniform.
- Plain black school shoes and plain black socks. Shoes must be all black school shoes with black laces. Sports joggers with white or any other colour are not an appropriate performance shoe.

Jewellery

Permitted Jewellery:

One watch – if wearing a smart watch, the internet, phone and camera must be switched off in accordance with Student Code of Conduct.

e.g.





One set of **plain studs** or **sleepers** worn in the ears

Medical identification allowed.

Other visual piercings should not be worn.

i.e. Nose piercings





Permission to wear jewellery of religious or cultural significance must be requested in writing to the Principal using the *Jewellery of religious or cultural significance permission request form*. This form is available at the office and once completed returned to the office for processing.

To maintain a neat and distraction-free learning environment, the following guidelines regarding personal appearance must be observed:

1. **Make-Up**:
   Students are not permitted to wear make-up of any kind while at school or attending school organised functions, excursions or activities.
2. **Nails**:
   - **Fake nails** and/or **nail polish** are not to be worn.
   - Nails should be kept clean and at a reasonable length for safety and hygiene.
3. **Hair**:
   - **Long hair past the shoulder** must be tied back neatly **at all times** to promote safety and hygiene.
   - **Hair accessories** must be **small** in size and in **school colours** only (e.g., blue, white, yellow, black)
   - **Natural hair** colours only.
4. **Hats:**
   - No more than one charm/iron on transfer per hat for identification purposes.
   - Hat cords should be free from trinkets/ornaments

Students are expected to adhere to the Middle Ridge State School Uniform and Appearance policy consistently. Non-compliance may result in consequences as outlined in the school's Student Code of Conduct.

Jewellery of religious or cultural significance Permission Request Form

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Section 1

Date of Request: _____

Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Section 2

Item/s requested to be worn: _____

☐ Cultural ☐ Spiritual

Justification for wearing the item:

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Section 3

Endorsed by/Verified by (e.g. Church, Spiritual Leader, etc)

Name: _____ Position: _____

Organisation: _____

Contact Details: _____

Section 4 - Office Use ONLY

Principal Endorsed ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments:

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Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Name Principal/Principal delegate: _____

Name Principal/Principal signature: _____

Uploaded to O/S by: _____ Date: _____