ASHMORE STATE SCHOOL
DRESS CODE


(1) A state school’s Principal may develop a dress code for the school’s students that is to apply when the students are attending, or representing, the school.

(2) The dress code may provide for the following -
   (a) standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by the students, including headwear and footwear
   (b) standards of what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of the personal presentation of the students.

Introduction
Ashmore State School is a full uniform school. We have the support of the Parents and Citizens Association to promote 100% adherence to the uniform. Our school’s dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing, which includes a school uniform that Ashmore State School students wear when:

- attending or representing their school
- travelling to and from school: and
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

The Ashmore State School Parents and Citizens Association support a student dress code policy because it believes a student dress code aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching environment through:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- fostering a sense of belonging;
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic and social differences;
- promoting an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school

Standards
With this in mind, the dress code stipulates the following standards:

1. The wearing of correct school/sports uniform at all times, unless stipulated by the Principal eg. Free Dress Day.
2. The uniform should be clean and in good condition
3. All students are to wear closed-in all black shoes/joggers with black laces.
4. Ashmore State School Sun Smart hats are to be worn for all outdoor activities.
5. Students are not permitted to wear make up, nail polish, real or fake tattoos or false nails.
6. Jewellery is limited to plain all-metal sleepers or studs, one flat signet ring, one wristwatch and medical alert jewellery. Body piercings are limited to a single piercing in each/either ear lobe(s) only. Items of significant religious or cultural belief may be permitted after parental consultation with, and written approval from the Principal. No responsibility will be taken should jewellery be lost or damaged.
7. On Free Dress Days, clothing should be of a standard that is considered sun-safe, appropriate and not likely to cause offence. Bare midriffs, low cut shirts and short skirts or shorts are not permitted.
8. Hairstyles must be neat, clean and tidy, and of its own natural colour. Extreme hairstyles such as Mohawks, tracks or shaved sections are not permitted. Hair touching the collar or longer hair must be tied up. All hair accessories are to be in the school colours of yellow and/or blue.

Consequences
Depending on the circumstances, students in breach of the code may be-

1. Contact made with parents to bring correct uniform to school on the day of the breech.
2. Prevented from attending an activity where they are representing the school.
3. Prevented from participating in an activity where safety is an issue.
4. Asked to remove items that are not part of the school uniform. Repeat offenders may have the item held in safekeeping until 3:00p.m. Further offences will mean students may collect the item at the end of term. A parent note requesting the return of item/s will be required.
5. Given a consequence (such as time out of play) for non-compliance with the Dress Code.

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