Student Dress / Uniform Code

At Buddina State School we actively encourage our students to take pride in themselves and their school. One way in which this is achieved is through the adherence to the school’s dress standards. As the parent/caregiver and provider of your child, we seek your support in this matter.

The agreed standard of uniform and items of clothing has the P&C Association’s full endorsement and is compulsory for all students at all times when engaging in school activities. Uniform items can be purchased from the School Locker at Maroochydore.

In circumstances where unsuitable dress is worn, action will be taken by the Principal.

Our school colours are jade, navy and white. Our logo is embroidered or printed on each garment and depicts the Point Cartwright lighthouse as a symbol of the school being a guiding light in education. The sailing boat is our coastal emblem which symbolises the school steering the students towards the goal of excellence within a safe and supportive surrounding. Our uniform consists of:

- a school unisex polo shirt – this can be worn tucked in or out and worn with shorts or skorts
  - shorts are to be above the knee in length and not to have multiple pockets
- a school unisex shorts or skorts – alternatively plain navy, blue shorts can be purchased (not cargo style)
- a school dress
- navy, blue broad-brimmed hat (no ties/cords)
- a navy, blue school jacket - alternatively a plain navy, blue jumper can be purchased (no hoods or branding)
- navy, blue tracksuit pants can be worn in winter
- school back packs are available but not mandatory
- plain white crew socks (not ankle length) to be worn with all-black enclosed shoes (preferably joggers) – shoes must be suitable for sport and other physical activities.

The dress code outlines appropriate dress standards for students. These reflect community standards. The policy incorporates the recommendation and requirements of relevant health and safety policies – it considers State Legislation. The policy reflects the principles of:

- access and participation
- respect for others
- continuity and fair-trade practice regarding uniforms
- responsiveness and sensitivity
- school community awareness
- upholding community expectations.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel that the student wears that is, or could be deemed to be:

- unsafe for the student or others; and
- likely to result in a risk to the health of the student or others
- offensive
- likely to disrupt, or negatively influence, the normal operation of the school.
The School Policy

The uniform is jade and navy in colour and the components are: jade polo-shirt with navy sleeves, white side panels, navy collar with two jade stripes with a navy embroidered logo. The shirt is matched with navy, blue unisex shorts or skorts. The unisex shorts have a jade logo printed on the lower left leg.

School dresses are available. Plain navy, blue tights may be worn under school dresses in winter. Bike pants visible below the hem line are unacceptable. Navy, blue school jackets and plain navy track pants complete the winter uniform. Hooded jackets are unacceptable.

Parents are Advised

Buddina is a ‘uniform school’ where students are required to wear the uniform. To represent the school on excursions, interschool sport and in the media; all students are to wear the appropriate Buddina uniform.

Consequences

Students wearing inappropriate clothing or apparel will be asked to dress appropriately and to remove the non-uniform item when appropriate. Students not wearing school uniform will be ineligible to represent the school away from the campus or appear in school promotional photos.

Students wearing non-uniform items will be required to collect a uniform pass from the school administration office on each occasion and for each non-uniform item. If students are repeatedly out of uniform, parents or caregivers will be notified.

Jewellery

Students may wear a watch and small plain sleepers or stud earrings. A student may wear a medical bracelet if required. Other jewellery may be ‘unsafe for the student or others’, as they are a safety risk with play equipment and/or other students. Necklaces, bracelets and bike/house keys on neck chains are not appropriate.

Hair

Hair on the collar is required to be tied back; this is a safety consideration for play equipment and sports, and reduces the risk of spreading head lice. All ribbons are to be in the school colours of navy, jade and white, ONLY.

Broad-brimmed Hat

Is to be worn for all outdoor activities. The uniform comprises of a navy, blue broad-brimmed hat that is available at School Locker and the school tuckshop. The hats are now reversible and have the school sports colour on the inside.

Non-wearing of a hat is ‘likely to result in a risk to the health of the student’; Buddina follows the Sun-State guidelines of the Queensland Cancer Society.