

Mango Hill State School Dress Code



The Mango Hill School community has agreed on a school dress code for all students, which actively encourages students to take pride in themselves and their school.

Consistent student dress standards promote a powerful school identity and communicate a positive image of our school as a highly regarded community of learners. We expect that students proudly uphold this image of Mango Hill State School with good standards of dress and behaviour at all times. The MHSS Dress Code aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ready identification of students at school;
- fostering a sense of belonging;
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of physical, economic or social differences; and
- minimising exposure to hazards by adopting uniform items that enhance workplace health and safety practices.

Mango Hill State School's Dress Code consists of an agreed set of standards and identifies the uniform our students wear when

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

At Mango Hill State School the expectation is that each day students:

- wear one of the agreed Mango Hill State School uniforms as outlined below;
- wear black fully-enclosed shoes with plain black shoelaces. Shoes must be suitable for participation in physical activity each day;
- wear white plain full ankle socks;
- wear the MHSS hat while engaged in outdoor activities

Uniform Options

- School button-up blouse or shirt with MHSS logo
- School navy skort or shorts with MHSS logo

OR

- School Formal dress with black or navy blue bike pants

OR

- School polo shirt with MHSS logo
- Sport shorts with MHSS logo

Please note Year 6 students only may wear the 'Senior' polo shirt instead of normal school polo.

Winter addition

- Navy blue school jumper with logo and plain navy blue trackpants
- Navy blue tights (panty hose style) may be worn under skort

Jewellery

Students are permitted to wear only the following items:

- A watch
- One small plain stud or small plain sleeper of silver or gold in the lower lobe of each ear
- Medical alert bracelets
- Religious pendants by request of parent

Students or families with specific health, religious or cultural requirements in regards to the Dress Code must discuss with the Principal or Deputy Principal at enrolment or make an application in writing.

Medi-alert necklaces or necklaces approved as religiously or culturally significant must be worn inside the student's collar due to Workplace Health and Safety requirements.

Hair

Students are to wear their hair in a neat and tidy manner. Hair that is longer than shoulder is to be tied up neatly in navy, lime, sky blue or white hair band, ribbon or scrunchy.

Hair is not to be coloured and styles must be conservative.

Make up

No make up is to be worn to school.

Coloured nail polish is not acceptable.

School Bag

Students are encouraged to use the MHSS school bag. Alternatively, students may use a plain navy or black school bag.

Non-compliance with code

A number of approaches may be employed by the school staff in the event students are non-compliant with the school's mandatory Student Dress Code. These approaches will be compliant with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

Approaches include:

- Seeking parental support for compliance eg letter or telephone call. This may include requesting correct uniform be brought to school for the student.
- Assisting students with genuine economic hardship to acquire uniform eg uniform loan.
- Imposing a penalty ie Reflection Time. Continued breaches will incur a higher penalty.
- Preventing the student from taking part in a school event outside the school.
- Preventing the student taking part in a school activity that is not part of the essential education program of the school.

Whatever the approach, the intention of the school Administration will be to ensure every student complies with the Student Dress Code.

This Dress Code was endorsed by the Mango Hill Parent Consultation Committee in August 2011. The Dress Code was refined and endorsed by the Mango Hill State School Parents & Citizens Committee in April 2012.

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