



UNIFORM AND STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1. The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Regency Park Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchasing and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.
- 1.2. This dress code has been developed by Regency Park Primary School's School Council to ensure that it is inclusive and respectful of the rights of individual students.
- 1.3. The Student Dress Code aims to:
 - foster a sense of community and belonging and encourage students to develop pride in their appearance
 - support Regency Park Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
 - reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
 - enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.
- 1.4. The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for all students.
- 1.5. Regency Park Primary School is committed to making school uniforms as cost effective as possible for our families, offering second hand uniform options and actively supporting families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs.

2. SCOPE:

- 2.1. Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

3. POLICY:

Uniform and appearance

- 3.1. The full range of Regency Park Primary School School's compulsory school uniform items are available in Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

- 3.2. While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, it is expected that:
 - Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
 - Uniforms be clearly marked with the owner's name

Jewellery, cosmetics & other items

- 3.3. Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.
- 3.4. Cosmetics may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.
- 3.5. The recommended footwear is a black leather school shoe or sports shoe that is predominately black or white to complement the uniform. Similarly we encourage white or black socks.
- 3.6. During school and community events and activities such as ANZAC day, Pink Ribbon events etc there may be other items that are permissible.
- 3.7. Students are discouraged from having extreme hairstyles and colours, with green and red being the only colours appropriate for hair accessories. Where there is a clear breach of this, the parents of the child will be contacted and their support requested.

Hair and Sun Safety

- 3.8. Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.
- 3.9. School uniform hats must be worn outside from mid-August to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.
- 3.10. Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

Purchase of uniforms

- 3.11. Uniform items can be purchased from Spartan School World online or the Spartan School World Bayswater North retail outlet.
- 3.12. Regency Park Primary School also operates a second-hand uniform stall once per term. This will be communicated to parents via Compass.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

- 3.13. The Principal or Assistant Principal can be contacted via the office to discuss support that can be provided to assist families to meet uniform costs. This includes providing information about uniform support such as eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: <https://www.ssr.net.au/>

Implementation

- 3.14. Regency Park Primary School will ensure that this Uniform and Student Dress Code Policy is communicated to all families and students through our website. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.
- 3.15. Students wearing non-compliant uniform items may be asked to change into a compliant item of clothing provided by the school.
- 3.16. If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Uniform and Student Dress Code Policy on a recurring basis, we will communicate directly with the parents or carers of the student. This will generally be received as an email via Compass. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and further communication may occur. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.
- 3.17. Measures taken by Regency Park Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

Exemptions to student dress code

- 3.18. We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.
- 3.19. Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Uniform and Student Dress Code Policy if:
 - an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
 - the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
 - the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.
- 3.20. When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:
 - consider the grounds for the exemption request
 - explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
 - encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.
- 3.21. The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then the reasons for this decision will be provided to the parents or carers, in writing.

Concerns about this student dress code

- 3.22. Regency Park Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have feedback about the Student Dress Code, please contact the school via email or through the school office on 9801-3614.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES:

- 4.1. Regency Park Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- 4.2. Regency Park Primary School Complaints Policy
- 4.3. Regency Park Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- 4.4. Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- 4.5. Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

5. EVALUATION:

This policy was last updated in October 2023 and is scheduled for review during 2026.

6. REVIEW:

June 2023	Update 3.11 to reflect current purchasing options Update 3.16 to reflect current communication methods Update 3.22 to include communication methods for feedback. Update of links in 4.4 and 4.5 Update of Appendix A to current uniform items
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Appendix A - Regency Park Primary School Uniform Items



Polo Shirt



Long Sleeve Polo Shirt



Bomber Jacket - RagTagd



Windcheater - RagTagd



Bootleg Pants



Track Pants



Track Pants - Double Knee



Sport Shorts



Gabardine Shorts



Skort



Summer Dress



Winter Tunic



Knitted Beanie



Polar Fleece Beanie



Rain Jacket



Slouch Hat



Bucket Hat



School Bag



Art Smock