



TULLIALLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL'S STUDENT DRESS CODE

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Tulliallan Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Tulliallan Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Tulliallan 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.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

SCOPE

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

Uniform and Appearance

The full list of Tulliallan Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General Appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Tulliallan Primary School students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.

Jewellery and Cosmetics

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. Exemptions are made for religious jewellery.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.

Hair and Sun Safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from mid-August (exact date to be set by the school annually) 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.

Purchase of Uniforms

Uniform items can be purchased from Primary School Wear (PSW) 407 Old Princes Highway, Officer 3809. Phone: (03) 9768 0382. A uniform list with prices is available on our website with a variety of options or parents may order it directly from <https://www.psw.com.au/schools/tulliallan-primary-school.html>.

Tulliallan Primary School also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents. Parents can ask the school office for available uniform during school hours.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Business Manager to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about 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

Tulliallan Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and COMPASS. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a COMPASS chronicle note will be sent to the parents by the Home Group teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Exemptions to Student Dress Code

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply in writing to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code 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.

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.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

Concerns about this Student Dress Code

Tulliallan Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Complaint Policy*, available on our website.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Tulliallan Primary School's Sun Protection Policy
- Tulliallan Primary School's Complaint Policy
- Tulliallan Primary School's Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	October 2023
Consultation	School Council – October 18 th 2023
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	October 2027

APPENDIX A: TULLIALLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS

All year round

The following items may be worn all year round, with either the summer or winter uniform:

Jumper or Vest

Navy polar fleece jacket/vest with school logo

Navy V-Neck windcheater with school logo

Bomber jacket with school logo

Polo shirts

Navy long and short sleeved with school logo.

Skorts/skirts/tunic

Plain navy skorts/skirts without decoration or brand name and in winter can be worn with navy tights/stockings.

Navy box pleat tunic

Socks or tights/stockings

Navy or white socks

Navy tights/stockings

Footwear

School shoes or runners must be black, closed toed and able to be secured by laces, buckles or Velcro. No fluoro coloured shoes or laces are acceptable. Footwear such as slip on/ballet shoes, canvas or elasticised shoes are not permitted.

School Rain Coat (Optional Item)

Navy raincoat with school logo

Headwear

Navy, white, aqua check hair band with bow

Navy hair ribbons, scrunchies or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs

Navy beanie with school logo

Dresses

Navy, white, aqua check dress

Shorts

Plain navy shorts without decoration or brand name

Pants

Plain, navy track pants without decoration or brand name

Skivvies

Plain white skivvy

Hats – to be worn for Term 1 and 4

Navy broadbrim hat with school logo

Sports uniform

Navy, aqua, lime polo top with navy shorts/skirt/skort.

There are specific uniform requirements for students participating in specialist sports, such as basketball and football. These uniforms are provided by the school for the duration of the sports season.