



NIAGARA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

PURPOSE

This policy has been developed in line with the recommendations and guidelines from the NSW Department of Education on the wearing of school uniform in NSW Public Schools.

OUTCOMES

Wearing of school uniforms by students leads to many positive outcomes, including:

- defining an identity for the school within its community
- developing students' sense of belonging to the school community
- providing an opportunity to build school spirit
- enhancing the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
- promoting a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity
- reinforcing the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment
- increasing the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school
- promoting positive community perceptions of public education
- making school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes

IMPLEMENTATION - OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

The school expects every student to come to school in full school uniform each day. The uniform requirements are the result of collaborative consultation between the parents, staff and students of the Niagara Park Public School community. Enrolment at the school is on the understanding that the school's Uniform Policy will be adhered to.

UNIFORM

SUMMER UNIFORM

Kindergarten to Year 4 - Navy culottes or shorts and maroon school jacket or sloppy joe. White short socks.

Years 5 & Year 6 - Navy culottes or shorts and navy school senior jacket. Senior students may also wear maroon school jacket or maroon sloppy joe. White short socks.

WINTER UNIFORM

Kindergarten to Year 4 –

Navy culottes, navy pants or navy track pants, and maroon school jacket or sloppy joe. White short socks or navy tights.

Years 5 and 6

Navy culottes, navy pants or navy track pants, and navy school senior jacket. Senior students may also wear maroon school jacket or maroon sloppy joe. White short socks or navy tights.

SHOES

All students are to wear enclosed shoes which are lace up, velcro or buckle fastened. Shoes should be black, not multi-coloured, and have black laces.

SCHOOL HAT

Broadbrimmed navy school hats are to be worn all year round. All students will be required to wear their school hats whenever they are outside unless under cover. Students who are not wearing school hats will play in the shaded top playground areas.

JEWELLERY

Stud earrings or sleepers, flat style ring, religious cross or allergy alert bracelet or necklace and watch may be worn. No bangles, coloured nail polish, dangling earrings or other necklaces, bangles or wristbands are to be worn.

HAIR

Maroon or navy hair bands, hair clips, hair ties or maroon or navy scrunchies are to be used to secure hair.

SPECIAL OCCASION UNIFORM

School Blazers

At times, students representing the school, along with students in the Leadership Team, will be required to wear navy school blazers featuring the school logo. These will be purchased and retained by the school for student use.

Sports House Tshirts

Every student has been assigned a Sports House. On occasions, students will be permitted to wear a plain Tshirt in the colour of their assigned Sports House. Sports House colours are:

Jupiter - Yellow

Saturn - Green

Neptune - Blue

Pluto - Red

Students who do not own a Tshirt in the colour of their Sports House may wear their regular school polo shirt on these occasions.

PSSA sports jackets may be worn on the day in which the stage team are scheduled for sport.

Performance Polo Shirts

Students performing in either Band or Choir may wear their performance polo shirts on those occasions.

Year 6 Polo Shirts

Year 6 students who purchase a Year 6 polo shirt, may wear it throughout their final year at Niagara Park Public School.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND EXCURSIONS

Classes on excursion must be in full school uniform, unless the consent of the Principal to vary this has been granted. Students attending camp and students participating in multi-days and special events (i.e, Book Parade, Easter Hat Parade) may dress to reflect the nature of the event or activity, as specified by the school.

LOST ITEMS

All students are expected to have all items of clothing clearly marked with their name and class. Good quality items not marked with names will be kept in the Lost Property box located in Sick Bay for a period of one term, after which they will be passed on to the Clothing Pool to be sold as second-hand clothing.

CLOTHING POOL

The Clothing Pool has a supply of uniforms and is run by volunteers. Uniforms may be ordered through FlexiSchools or purchased at the Clothing Pool, which is situated at the corner of the main building closest to the staff car park (opposite the entrance to the school hall). Opening hours may vary. Please contact the school on 43 283397 for further information.

EVALUATION

Principals are responsible for managing the process of reviewing and establishing agreements about school uniform requirements and for managing their implementation. This process will be conducted in consultation with the Niagara Park Public School P&C.