



UNIFORM REGULATIONS



PURPOSE

Students, Parents/Carers and Staff all have a role to play in upkeeping the uniform regulations at St Brigid's, and we thank our College Community for their support of this important aspect of College life.

The wearing of a school uniform is a tradition with a significant history in Australia generally, and within Catholic education in particular. It has a strong value as an outward symbol of the pursuit of a common purpose – Education. The wearers of a uniform are identified as members of a particular community; in our case as members of the St Brigid's Catholic College community. The wearing of a common outfit promotes a shared sense of belonging and purpose.

The St Brigid's Catholic College uniform:

- Promotes a positive image of the College and its students in the community.
- Creates a sense of collective and individual pride in students and their identification with the College.
- Is a strategy for individual student safety and group security.
- Helps prevent discrimination based on socio-economic circumstances and removes the potential stigma of class or sub groups, allowing students to concentrate on their learning.

There is an expectation that students will comply with the uniform regulations and that valuable school time will not need to be diverted to following up on breaches of uniform regulations.



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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

The wearing of the College uniform is compulsory and parents confirm their support of the College Uniform Regulations on their child's enrolment form.

This document provides clear guidance for compliance with uniform requirements at the College.

THE COLLEGE LOGO

Our College logo is displayed on our College attire and is a modern interpretation of St Brigid's reed cross. The flames at the apex of the cross represent the flame or lamp of learning for which she was remembered.

The College colours of maroon, navy, white and teal were chosen to reflect the symbols for which St Brigid is noted.

The maroon represents the flame of learning; white, the colour associated with Brigid, teal green, for peace and reconciliation, and navy for planet Earth, and the love of Creation for which she is renowned.



ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Students

All students are responsible for wearing the St Brigid's Catholic College uniform correctly and with pride. Students should maintain an appropriate standard of grooming throughout the day.

Parents/Carers

All parents/carers are responsible for supporting the Uniform Regulations. Parents/carers are also responsible for the upkeep of their child/ren's uniform and for the repair or replacement of items. Parents are advised to label all items of their child/ren's school uniform including the school hat, to help with returning lost items to their owners.

Staff

Staff members are responsible for maintaining the Uniform Regulations by monitoring the standard of dress and grooming. Staff members assist students to understand and follow the Uniform Regulations and will record uniform breaches on Compass.

UNIFORM SUPPLIER

The St Brigid's Catholic College Uniform purchases are made directly through our uniform supplier:

Cowan and Lewis Pty Ltd.

Tel: 02 9449 9777

www.cowanlewis.com.au

SUMMER UNIFORM

Girls Summer Uniform



Boys Summer Uniform



Girls are expected to wear the College shirt and navy skirt with white ankle socks which can be seen above the shoe. If the weather becomes unseasonably cold, the blazer may be worn. The girls skirt should be no more than 10cm above the knee.

Boys are expected to wear the College shirt and navy shorts with white ankle socks which can be seen above the shoe. If the weather becomes unseasonably cold, the blazer may be worn.



WINTER UNIFORM

Girls Winter Uniform



Added warmth



Boys Winter Uniform



Added warmth



Girls are expected to wear the College shirt, navy skirt with navy tights (optional). The school blazer must be worn to and from school (unless permission is given by the principal if the weather is unseasonably hot) as well as during the school day as the first item to add warmth. The school jumper is added for extra warmth but should not be worn as the outer garment. Students are permitted to wear garments under their shirt for extra warmth as long as no part is visible. The girls skirt should be no more than 10cm above the knee.

Boys are expected to wear the College shirt, navy long pants and white socks. The school blazer must be worn to and from school (unless permission is given by the principal if the weather is unseasonably hot) as well as during the school day as the first item to add warmth. The school jumper is added for extra warmth but should not be worn as the outer garment. Students are permitted to wear garments under their shirt for extra warmth as long as no part is visible.



The girls skirt should be no more than 10cm above the knee.

PDHPE UNIFORM

Boys and girls are expected to wear:

- College PE shorts and polo shirt
- the tracksuit top is to be worn for extra warmth
- the tracksuit pants are optional
- white ankle socks are to be worn
- the College PDHPE sports cap is to be worn during practical classes and on the playground in the sun

Note - The College jumper\blazer is not to be worn with the PE uniform.

Sport/PDHPE Uniform



Winter

Added warmth



VET UNIFORM

Students are expected to wear their VET industry uniform when performing practical lessons, events or participating in industry days and uniform must be in-line with industry code.



SHOES

Shoes should be -

- sturdy
- black
- leather - polishable
- lace up shoes

The final decision regarding the appropriateness of a shoe's style or condition is made at the discretion of the College. Students will be asked to purchase new or replacement shoes as necessary.

TAS Shoes

Leather enclosed shoes must be worn in the Workshop\Kitchen.



SPORTS SHOES



For PDHPE practical classes, students must wear sturdy joggers.

- Sports shoes should be lace up runners / sneakers / joggers / cross trainers.
- Sports shoes do not include skate shoes, street shoes, volleys or canvas converse shoes as they do not provide the support required for physical activity.

JEWELLERY

- students may wear two gold or silver studs or small (less than one centimetre in diameter) hoop earrings in each ear lobe, with no other facial or visible body piercings permissible including clear plugs.
- should students have piercings which are against the regulations, they will be removed from the playground until such time as the piercing is removed, failure to do so in a timely fashion will require a parent meeting to discuss the student's commitment to being at the College.
- covering of piercings which are not allowed with band-aids, make-up, clear plugs or similar is not acceptable.
- any necklaces worn should not be seen above the shirt.
- no bracelets\bangles are to be worn, from time to time students may be allowed to wear wrist bands for charitable organisations however one band only is allowed, and only if approved by the College.

MAKEUP AND NAILS

- coloured nail polish is not permitted to be worn to school, students will be sent to the office to remove the nail polish.
- nail extensions are not allowed.
- make-up is to be such that it is not obvious that it is worn.
- heavy eyeliner, mascara and lipstick are not permitted, students wearing heavy make-up will be asked to remove it.

HAIR

- students are expected to have their hair tidy and clean.
- hair longer than collar length must be tied back at all times.
- hair colour must be in natural hues, obviously non-natural hair colours, i.e red, blue, pink, purple are unacceptable.
- facial hair must be clean shaven at all times.
- the final decision regarding the appropriateness of a student's hair style is made at the discretion of the College.

TATTOOS

- no visible tattoos are permitted.



SENIOR UNIFORM

Senior students wear the senior blouse or shirt with all other uniform items remaining the same.

A Year 12 Jacket will also be available for students in their final year at St Brigid's College.



Senior Uniform Girls Blouse



All other items of uniform stay the same

Senior Uniform Boys Shirt



All other items of uniform stay the same

PERMISSION TO BE OUT OF UNIFORM

- on very rare occasions it may be that a student is unable to wear the appropriate uniform for the day
- a note from the parents/carers should be provided outlining the reason for the student being out of uniform
- it is not acceptable for a student to be excused from wearing the College uniform in the long term.

