



## GAVEN STATE SCHOOL – DRESS CODE POLICY

### **Rationale**

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

Gaven State School has a compulsory school uniform approved by the school's Parents and Citizens' Association.

### **School community beliefs about the importance of the Dress Code**

The Gaven State School P & C supports the uniform because it believes that a student dress code provides clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school
- fostering a sense of belonging
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences
- promoting an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at the school

### **UNIFORM**

#### **SUMMER UNIFORM**

	<i>Prep – Year 4</i>	<i>Years 5-7</i>
<b>GIRLS</b>	Check dress <b>Or</b> Polo shirt with G shorts or skort	Check dress <b>Or</b> Senior Polo shirt with G shorts or skort
<b>BOYS</b>	Polo shirt with G shorts or navy cargo shorts	Senior polo shirt with G shorts or navy cargo shorts

#### **WINTER UNIFORM**

In addition or in place of the Summer Uniform the following items may be worn

	<i>All Year Levels</i>
<b>GIRLS</b>	Plain navy blue track pants School jacket with logo  Navy blue three quarter length leggings OR navy blue tights (These may only be the check dress or skort )
<b>BOYS</b>	Plain navy blue track pants School jacket with logo

#### **FOOTWEAR - ALL STUDENTS**

Shoes must be completely **black sports shoes** (not slip on), either lace up or Velcro.  
Socks must be white

#### **HEADWEAR – ALL STUDENTS**

Navy broad brimmed hat with Gaven SS Logo

- All hair at or over collar length is to be plaited, braided or tied back (boys and girls)
- Navy blue or white hair bands / ribbons are permitted
- Dyed hair (of an unnatural colour) or mohawks/tracks are not permitted.
- Students riding bikes, scooters and skateboards are legally required to wear helmets

## **ACCESSORIES**

### **JEWELLERY**

The following jewellery items are permitted:

- Watch
- 1 pair of small plain sleepers or stud earrings in the ears
- Medical alert bracelet or necklace
- Items of significant religious belief with permission of the Principal

No other articles of jewellery may be worn. This includes facial, body or tongue piercing. Other jewellery may be '**unsafe for the student or others**' as such items could become caught in play equipment or could come into contact with another student causing injury. Students will be requested to remove all jewellery during sporting activities.

### **OTHER GUIDELINES**

- Lip stick, lip gloss and make-up are not permitted.
- Nail polish is not permitted, however, if required to protect weak nails, the polish must be clear.
- Tattoos are not to be visible.
- Any additional clothing worn beneath the uniform is required to be unseen.

## **CONSEQUENCES**

- Students out of school uniform (which includes hats, shoes and accessories) may be asked to change into an appropriate item from the bank of uniform items held at the school.
- Students not wearing school uniform will be ineligible to represent the school away from the campus.
- Students without a valid excuse for not wearing a uniform may be required to attend the red room or afternoon detention.
- Students who do not have a sun-safe hat for PE will be required to wear a cap/hat from a bank of hats held at school.
- Students who do not have a hat will have restricted play options during breaks.(see Gaven State School SunSmart policy)
- A student wearing other jewellery will be asked to remove the item and if necessary give it to the teacher for safe-keeping for the remainder of the day.
- Students wearing make-up or coloured nail polish will be asked to remove it.
- All students (male and female) will be asked to tie back long hair.
- Non-wearing of helmets is against the law and If necessary the police will be contacted.

**Parents/Caregivers can be notified by telephone/letter that their child is not complying with the Student Dress Code and the consequences herein.**

**Should a student choose to be persistently out of uniform, parents/caregivers may be called to a meeting at the school to further discuss and resolve the matter.**