

# Monbulk College

**Policy:**

**Date Ratified:**

**Date of last Review:**

**Student Dress Code**

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**BASIC BELIEFS:**

Monbulk College believes that:

- a uniform engenders community, school pride and a sense of belonging
- a College uniform enhances the identity of Monbulk College in the wider community
- College uniform should be compulsory
- the uniform should be worn during College hours, while travelling to and from the College, and when students are engaged in College activities out of College hours
- the uniform should be comfortable, appropriate for school activities, of a high quality
- information about the dress code should be regularly and clearly communicated to families
- College Uniform is intended not to discriminate, either directly or indirectly against students because of sex, race, ethnic group, nationality, religious beliefs, marital status, colour or disability.

**AIMS:**

- The College uniform will consist of:

GIRLS	BOYS
College V neck Pullover (maroon)	College V neck Pullover (maroon)
College polo shirt	College polo shirt
College white shirt	College white shirt
College tie	College tie
College charcoal tailored pants	College charcoal tailored pants
College charcoal active pants*	College charcoal active pants*
College charcoal tailored shorts	College charcoal tailored shorts
College charcoal active shorts	College charcoal active shorts
College winter skirt	
College summer dress	
College Rugby Jumper*	College Rugby Jumper*
Black Socks (plain)	Black Socks (plain)
Black Tights / Stockings	
Black leather shoes	Black leather shoes
College Soft Shell Jacket*	College Soft Shell Jacket*
Physical Education Uniform:	Physical Education Uniform:
PE t-shirt	PE t-shirt
PE Active shorts	PE Active shorts
* items to be worn as 'warm up' options <u>and</u> when representing the College externally	* items to be worn as 'warm up' options <u>and</u> when representing the College externally
College School Bag (highly recommended)	College School Bag (highly recommended)

- Full College Uniform must be worn to and from school each day.
  - Hair colour must be of a natural hair colour shade.
- In Year 7 2018, the College is moving to maroon as the primary uniform colour and over the next 3 years (2018-2020 – for all students) will be phasing out:
- Windcheaters from 2018

- Green V Neck Pullovers
  - Green and Maroon Polo Shirts
  - Black ‘daywear’ shorts
  - White socks
  - College Rain Jacket
- The College-approved Charcoal Tailored/Active Pants are the only ‘pants option’ to be worn.  
All students must wear securely attached leather footwear to meet OHS requirements for all classes. Coloured runners are permitted be worn in PE classes only.
  - The College will provide a system for ensuring those students who breach the College rules on uniform, are tracked and dealt with appropriately.  
Review of the Student Dress Code Policy is the responsibility of the School Council in consultation with the school community. See the School Policy and Advisory Guide.
  - Exemptions from the dress code may be applied for to the Principal on the grounds outlined in the School Policy Advisory Guide, which covers religious, cultural, disability and health requirements.

### **IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES:**

- The wearing of uniform is compulsory
- Footwear must securely attached (heel and covered toes). Footwear such as clogs, thongs and sandals, are not suitable for College wear.
  - Appropriate footwear must be worn in Health and Physical Education classes (runners with non-marking soles)
  - Appropriate enclosed leather footwear that meets OHS requirements must be worn in all classes
- Hooded Jumpers are not permitted to be worn.
- Dresses/shorts should be mid thigh length at least.
- Black Stockings, tights or bike shorts are the only garments to be worn under dresses/skirts.
- Socks must be black in colour.
- *Year 12 students may apply to College Council each year for a final year top. Students may have these individualised with their names in accordance following options:*
  - *First Name only (e.g. Edgar)*
  - *Surname only (e.g. Poe)*
  - *One name and initial (e.g. E Poe, Edgar P, EA Poe)*
  - *First Name and Middle Name (e.g. Edgar Alan)*
- Jewellery worn to the College should be kept to a minimum. Any jewellery that would post an OHS risk should not be worn to the College. Students may be required to remove body jewellery for Occupational Health and Safety reasons in certain classes. Studded wrist bands and belts are also inappropriate for Health and Safety reasons.  
Caps are not permitted indoors and in classes other than those covered by Sun Smart policies and recommendations or where Occupational Health and Safety provisions may apply, e.g. near machinery or food.  
On out of uniform days, all clothes worn to the College must be suitable for the range of activities. Tops must cover shoulders in accordance with Sun Smart policies. Bare midriffs or footwear that does not meet OHS requirements, are not permitted. No ripped, torn or graffitied clothing will be tolerated.

- The responsibility for supply and wearing uniform lies with the students and their families.
- The College makes provision for families in financial difficulty to enable them to purchase uniform. There may be some items of “second hand” clothing available from the Uniform Shop.
- Students who come to College out of uniform must provide a note from families explaining why they are out of uniform and present for a uniform pass before school.
- Students who breach College rules will be given a ‘working lunch’ detention.
- There are four grounds for exemption, as per The School Policy Advisory Guide. These are religious, requirements related to ethnic or cultural background, disability or health. Such exemptions are to be negotiated with the College Principal or their delegate.

### References

- <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/management/Pages/dresscode.aspx>

<b>Approved By</b>	School Council
<b>Approval Authority (Signature &amp; Date)</b>	<i>M J Uren</i> 14/11/18
<b>Responsible for Review</b>	Assistant Principal – Policy and Planning Sub-Committee
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