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The uniform policy for Footscray City College was developed and approved by School Council and stipulates that uniform is compulsory for Year 7 to 12 students.

PURPOSE

The main purposes underlying the requirement for students to wear uniform at Footscray City College are

- To promote the students' sense of identity with, and pride in the college
- To strengthen the spirit of community within the college
- To support student safety through ready identification of members of the college's student community
- To enhance the profile of the college and its students within the wider community

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

- Only items of uniform listed are permitted to be worn at school
- Full uniform is to be worn to and from school
- Students must bring their sports uniform to change into, for PE and Sport classes. The regular uniform is to be worn at all other times. The exceptions include
 - If a student has PE/Sport at the beginning of the day they can wear their sports uniform to school, and change into the regular uniform at the end of the PE/Sport class
 - If they have PE/Sport at the end of the day they can wear the sports uniform home.
- It is not compulsory to buy all of the listed items, but only items from this list can be worn to school.
- Similar items cannot be substituted for the school designed items.

UNIFORM ITEMS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FCC long sleeved blue shirt ● FCC short sleeved blue shirt ● FCC polo shirt ● FCC skirt ● FCC dress ● FCC shorts ● FCC long pants ● FCC jumper ● FCC blazer ● FCC spray jacket | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plain Black or white socks ● Plain black tights ● Black leather lace-up flat shoes (T-bars also permitted but no runners, boots, ankle boots or slip-ons) ● Plain black belt ● FCC scarf ● FCC cap (recommended for outdoor activities in Terms 1 & 4) ● Black, white or blue head scarf (permitted for religious reasons only) |
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SPORTS UNIFORM

Compulsory Items

- FCC sports polo shirt
- FCC sports shorts
- runners

Optional items

- FCC track pants

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Jewellery to be kept to a minimum and no items posing any risk to safety to be worn
- Changes to hair colouring to be within the natural range of hair colours
- Plain white T shirts may be worn under polo tops and shirts for extra warmth

SUNSMART AND OHS REQUIREMENTS

FCC uniform has been designed to provide adequate sun protection and to meet OH&S requirements

GUIDELINES FOR WEARING THE UNIFORM

STUDENTS

It is the responsibility of the student to

- always wear the full uniform at school and going to and from school
- bring and wear the sports uniform for all Sport and PE classes
- wear full uniform on all school excursions, unless an exemption is granted for a specific activity

PARENTS/CARERS

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to

- Ensure their son or daughter is wearing the full uniform in a clean and tidy fashion, to school each day
- Ensure their son or daughter brings the sports uniform to school to change into for Sport and PE classes
- Send a letter of explanation with their son or daughter or via Compass, if there is a legitimate explanation for them not coming to school in full uniform.
The letter must be sent with the student or posted on Compass on or prior to the day that they are not in full uniform.
In this situation the student must present to their year level coordinator before classes begin at 9.00 am to be issued with a uniform pass for the day.

SCHOOL

It is the responsibility of the school to

- Monitor and ensure students wear the full school uniform
- Implement sanctions for not wearing full school uniform

SCHOOL UNIFORM MANAGEMENT

If a student fails to wear the correct full school uniform without a legitimate reason expressed in writing from their parent/carer, the following sanctions will be implemented

CONSEQUENCES FOR UNIFORM BREACHES

First Stage

- 25 minute detention (lunchtime or after school)
- Compass notification to parents
- Students may be asked to remove the non-compliant item of clothing, which will be returned at the end of the school day

Second Stage

If a student has more than 3 instances of not wearing full uniform throughout a term, there will be

- 45 minute detention after school

In the case of repeated breaches of the uniform code and failure to attend detentions, it will result in

- Interview of student with parents/carers to develop a plan to support the student to wear full uniform and to develop further graded sanctions for continued non-compliance with uniform rules

EXCURSIONS

Full uniform must be worn for all excursions and school activities conducted at venues external to the school.

If a student fails to wear full uniform on the day of an excursion they will not be permitted to participate, and will remain at school.

Please note that a small number of excursions may be approved for an exemption from wearing uniform

APPROPRIATE WEAR FOR CASUAL DRESS DAYS

There will be a limited number of approved casual dress days throughout the year.

On these days

- A range of styles of clothing of individual choice may be worn, providing they are appropriate for school. Clothing that is akin to beachwear or suitable for wearing out in the evening is generally not appropriate for school.
- Examples of inappropriate items include singlets of any type, low cut tops, strapless/thin strapped tops and thongs, sandals or other unsafe footwear.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions from complying with the uniform requirements will be granted if one or more aspects of the code

- Prevent compliance with a religious belief
- Prevent students with disabilities from being able to participate in school
- Have a detrimental effect on a health condition

An Application for Exemption from Uniform Requirements can be obtained from the General Office.

This form must be completed and submitted to the Principal, who has the capacity to grant an exemption or refer the matter to the college council.

All Year 12 students are exempt from wearing uniform in term 4.

AVAILABILITY OF UNIFORM

All items of the school uniform are available from the uniform shop at the school. With the exception of black shoes, black belts, socks and tights, all other items must be purchased from the uniform shop managed by the uniform suppliers, Noone Imagewear. Similar items purchased from general retail shops are not acceptable as substitutes for the uniform.

Black shoes, belts, socks and tights may be purchased from any general retail or outlet shop.

ASSISTANCE

The college will make every attempt to organise assistance for the purchase of uniform for those students whose families are experiencing financial hardship. In this situation the parent/carer or student should contact the Student Wellbeing Coordinator at the college.

ACCEPTANCE OF ENROLMENT

Acceptance of enrolment at FCC assumes an agreement between the school, the parent/carer and the enrolling student that the dress code will be followed, unless there are religious, disability or health grounds for an exemption.