

Middlemount Community School

Dress Code for Students

Reviewed and amended by P&C 24 October 2022

Middlemount Community School is a P & C endorsed uniform school. All students are to wear correct school uniform each day. The school's dress code was reviewed on 24 October 2022 by the P&C Association and involved input by parents, students and staff.

General Presentation Standards

Students are permitted to wear the following jewellery - medical alerts or bracelets, religious pendants, watches, signet ring and a maximum of two simple studs or sleepers, for students with pierced ears. Clear or natural nail polish is permitted. Make-up is not permitted.

It is our expectation that body art must be covered at all times; Body piercing must be removed if possible or covered. Extraordinary hair colours, (eg. pinks, greens, blues, oranges, etc.). are unacceptable except on sports days where spray on hair colour is permitted. Collar length hair or longer is to be tied back at the discretion of the teacher with regard for Workplace Health and Safety standards. Students may wear royal blue and yellow hair accessories. These accessories must be small enough to fit under a hat or helmet.

Students who are not compliant with these standards will be asked to remove or cover inappropriate items. Students who are in breach of Workplace Health and Safety standards may be excluded from lessons.

Non-compliance with Dress Code

Consequences for non-compliance with our school's Dress Code may include:

- detention during lunch or after school
- withdrawal from attending, or participating in, any activity for which student is representing school,
- withdrawal from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational program.

Non-Uniform Dress Code (approved circumstances)

When a student is unable to wear the school uniform they are expected to meet the following standards of dress and personal presentation.

Students are to wear:

- collared shirts and sweaters, preferably white in colour
- shorts or skirts of blue (or a dark/neutral colour)
- covered shoes and ankle-high white socks

Dress Code for Student Free Dress Days

Students are expected to be of neat and tidy appearance. Students must have covered footwear and are not permitted to wear apparel which advertises cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, pornographic or other inappropriate material.

Students not meeting the dress standard may be asked to return home and change into appropriate clothing by a member of the school's Administration. Reasonable casual dress standards are required. Students are expected to be of a neat and tidy appearance.

Uniform Expectations

Prep to Year 6	MCS Day/Sports Uniform is worn every day. MCS Day/Sports Uniform is worn on formal occasions*. House shirts should only be worn on days when the student has HPE or Sports Carnivals. Students will be provided with MCS representative uniform shirts when appropriate (eg. Sport teams, Eisteddfod). Black shoes are compulsory as part of the MCS uniform.
Junior Secondary Senior Phase students	Students must wear the MCS Formal uniform on all formal occasions*. Students must wear the MCS Formal Uniform one day per week as specified. House shirts should only be worn on days when the student has HPE or Sports Carnivals. On all other days, students may choose which uniform to wear. Ties for boys are not compulsory except on formal occasions.

*Formal occasions include:

- School photos
- Formal school ceremonies (Achievement ceremony, Leaving Ceremony, Awards Evening)
- Events at which students are representing the school, other than sporting events. (Anzac Day, Leadership conferences)
- Events at which students are receiving honours or awards
- Events deemed by the principal to be "formal" events.

MCS Day/Sports Uniform

The formal uniform and day/sports uniform must be worn in their entirety. Mixing the uniforms is not permitted.

Shirt	Polo style shirt. Royal blue and yellow in colour, with stripes running across the front of shirt with royal blue collar with Middlemount in yellow print written upon it.
Skirt/Shorts	Royal blue basketball or microfibre shorts or skirt. Tailored shorts in royal blue. Shorts are not to be longer than the top of the kneecap. Football shorts and short skirts are unacceptable due to the inappropriateness of the length and sun safety.
Dress	Dress in school royal blue and yellow check. Bike/sports pants may be worn under the dress but must not be visible below hem line.
Footwear	Closed in shoes must be worn at all times. Shoes should be appropriate for physical activity and for accessing all areas of the school grounds, including playgrounds. Plain black, closed in shoes must be worn. Socks should be plain white - no logos or brand names.
Hats	Students are required to wear a broad brimmed hat, preferably royal blue (caps are unsuitable cover for the whole head) for all outdoor activities including lunch play on the oval. We encourage sunglasses to be worn to protect eyes.
Swimming Attire	One-piece swimsuits are required due to sun safety. Sun shirts are to be worn for swimming lessons.
Winter Uniform	Jackets - choice of two styles: School jacket in royal blue and yellow with zip front or royal blue body with yellow sleeve fleece zip front jacket. Track pants - Royal Blue colour.

Formal Uniform

Formal Uniform	White shirt or white Blouse with royal blue and yellow check trim. White or beige undergarments are to be worn under the shirt. Coloured or black undergarments are not appropriate. Tie (Junior Secondary – plain royal blue; Senior Phase – royal blue and yellow). Grey tailored shorts (length – mid thigh) or grey skirt (length – top of knee). Bike/sports pants may be worn under skirt but must not be visible under hem line.
Dress	Dress in school royal blue and yellow check. Bike/sports pants may be worn under the dress but must not be visible below hem line.
Winter	Grey stockings/tights (not footless). Long grey pants (available at uniform shop). Royal blue knit jumper with school logo (winter).
Footwear	Black (plain) closed in shoes must be worn at all times. Socks should be plain white - no logos or brand names. Closed in shoes must be worn at all times. For safety reasons, all students, when accessing kitchens, labs and manual arts rooms must wear full leather upper shoes.