

YEPPOON STATE HIGH SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Yeppoon State High School (YSHS) is a full-uniform school. The school is committed to building a proud reputation and the uniform is regarded by the school community as being important in encouraging a sense of self-esteem, belonging and self-discipline in our students. All students are required to observe the details of the correct attire and appearance, always presenting in a neat and tidy manner. This includes, whilst travelling to and from school, or whenever a student is in the community wearing the school uniform. This high standard ensures students represent themselves and our school in an outstanding way.

The uniform has been designed in consultation with the Parents and Citizen Association (P & C), and with the elements of safety, comfort, climate, modesty, cost, efficiency, social equity and community values considered. This policy has been developed in accordance with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Sections 360-363) ["The Act"] and the Department of Education and Training policy SMS-PR-022: *Student Dress Code* in relation to implementing student dress codes in Queensland State schools.

Expectations of students

YSHS and the Parents and Citizens' Association (P and C) have endorsed the following expectations of students with regard to uniform and personal appearance:

- YSHS uniforms are not to be altered
- Visible undershirts are not to be worn
- All students are to wear the day or formal uniform as standard dress. For formal occasions, students will be advised if they are required to wear the formal uniform. The school provides formal blazers in specific circumstances e.g. Investiture
- The uniform routine includes wearing the uniform daily and only changing for specialist lessons if required i.e. Sport/HPE/drama, changing back into the day or formal uniform at end of the lesson
- Hats are to be worn outside

Whilst this policy seeks to assist students and parents by identifying appearance expectations, all decisions regarding uniform compliance are at the discretion of the principal or delegate. Body art (e.g. tattoo) is NOT accepted in our school and students are expected to ensure such items are covered and not visible.

DAY UNIFORM				
	TOP	BOTTOM	SOCKS	SHOES
Can be worn by all year levels	SHIRT: YSHS polo shirt, YSHS house polo shirt JUMPER: YSHS blue stripe zip-up jacket or YSHS black zip-up jumper	SHORTS: YSHS black school shorts SKIRT: YSHS black school skirt TRACK PANTS: YSHS blue and black track pants	Plain white or plain black ankle and short socks (known as “crew” and “quarter crew”).)	Compliant plain black footwear (upper & lower)
FORMAL UNIFORM (Optional)				
Must be worn at formal events e.	SHIRT: YSHS white button up shirt TIE: YSHS school tie BLAZER: YSHS school blazer	SKIRT: YSHS black school skirt. Plain black opaque stockings PANTS: Black dress trousers BELT: Plain black belt with plain buckle	Plain white or plain black ankle and short socks (known as “crew” and “quarter crew”).)	Compliant plain black footwear (upper & lower)

HATS	As part of the Department of Education’s Sun Safe Policy, students must have a hat on while playing sport or participating in outdoor activities including excursions. The school hat is available from Uniform Shop. The wearing of sun-screen is highly recommended and is available at all HPE classes.
JEWELLERY	No facial piercings (metal or plastic) are permitted, with the exception of a small clear plastic, plain gold or silver nose stud that may be worn. YSHS is a work place and only a minimum amount of jewellery is acceptable. Students will be asked to remove excessive jewellery. Jewellery that cannot be removed, must be taped.
MAKE-UP	Students may wear light foundation only. Students with excessive make-up may be asked to remove it.
HAIR	Hair must be neat, clean, tidy and well-maintained. Long hair must be tied back in practical subjects as this is a safety requirement. Hair nets will be provided to students.

Approved shoes – must be black sole, black upper and black laces with no other colour			
			
Plain all black lace up jogger	Plain all black velcro jogger	Plain all black canvas shoe	Plain all black leather jogger
✓	✓	✓	✓
Unapproved shoes			
			
Coloured stitching	Ballet flat with Strap	High Tops/Boots	Any colour or colour marking other than black, on sole or upper shoe
✗	✗	✗	✗

Compliance with dress code:

Yeppoon State High School expects all students to wear the uniform with pride unless there is a valid reason for not being able to do so. As agreed during the enrolment interview and Enrolment Agreement, parents/caregivers and students have agreed to uphold the schools dress code. Parents/caregivers, students and the school, have a responsibility to ensure that students are in the correct uniform.

1. Students not wearing the correct uniform will be given the option of:
 - a. Removing the incorrect item, which is retained for collection by the student at the end of the day
 - b. Parents contacted to bring the appropriate item to the school for the student to wear for the day
 - c. Students may borrow the item of clothing (except shoes). Students present to the library before 8:50 am.
2. The incorrect uniform will be stored in the library in a labelled bag. If the student has a note explaining the reason for inappropriate uniform, they are to take it to the library where they will be issued with an item from the Uniform Bank, with the exception of shoes.
3. Return the borrowed uniform to the library before 3.15 pm and collect their own items.
4. Failure to return a loan item will result in the family being invoiced after a period of 4 weeks.
5. Families who are experiencing genuine hardship may contact the relevant HOD Sub School to discuss this.

The school priority is to work with all families and where there is a valid reason for not wearing the YSHS uniform, provide appropriate options, which include parent and school communication as the first step. If a student does not comply with the school's student Dress Code, the principal or delegated officer, may impose one of the following sanctions:

- Consequences of the student for a period mentioned in the section 283 (3) of The Act.
- Prevent the student from any activities for which the student would have represented the school that, in the opinion of the principal/delegate, is not part of the essential educational program of the school.

Process if a student refuses to change into the correct uniform:

1. Students out of uniform after 9am are recorded as *out of uniform* by Care Class teacher in IDATTEND. Care Class teacher is to:
 - a) right click on the student
 - b) select 'Assign student to lunchtime detention'
 - c) select non-compliance with uniform in the dropdown box
 - d) record either 'jumper, pants, piercing, shirt, shoes, shorts or socks' in the space provided.Please note that the entered information is sent to parents via text message.
2. All staff are able to record students out of uniform if not picked up in Care Class. A black 'D' appears on the student's photo in IDAttend if they have been given a uniform infringement.
3. Students are issued with a lunch-time detention (PM) in IDAttend for not following the process to correct the uniform.
4. If student does not complete the detention, HOD Sub School on detention roster sends SMS to parents explaining student has failed to complete detention and will be issued with a further consequence.

HOD Sub School personally reminds students of their detention. Students who refuse to attend the detention following the reminder could be considered to be displaying wilful disobedience and will be referred to the Deputy Principal for further action.