Student Dress Code

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Lang Lang Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Lang Lang Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Lang Lang Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Lang Lang Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Lang Lang Primary School students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.

Jewellery and cosmetics

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.

Hair and Sun safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from beginning of term 4 to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Logoed uniform items can be purchased from Beleeza School Uniform Shop, https://beleza.com.au/product-category/primary-schools/j-l-primary/lang-lang-primary-school/

Non-logoed uniform items can also be purchased from major clothing chains e.g. Target, Big W, Best and Less.

Second-hand uniforms are available at the Lang Lang Op-Shop.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal or Business Manager to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: https://www.ssr.net.au/

IMPLEMENTATION

Lang Lang Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website, app, social media and newsletters. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

Students wearing non-compliant uniform items may be asked to change into a compliant item of clothing provided by the school.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Lang Lang Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Lang Lang Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*, available on the school website.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Lang Lang Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Lang Lang Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Lang Lang Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training Student Dress Code
- Department of Education and Training Student Engagement policies and guidelines.

REVIEW CYCLE

This Student Dress Code was last approved by School Council on 19/08/2024 and is scheduled for review in 19/08/2024.

APPENDIX A: LANG LANG PRIMARY UNIFORM ITEMS

All year round

The following items may be worn all year round.

Jumper

Burgundy/Maroon Windcheater

Polo shirts

Gold/Burgundy/Maroon long and short sleeved

Skivvies

Gold/Burgundy/Maroon

Skorts/Culottes

Plain black skorts/culottes without decoration or brand name and in winter can be worn with black/maroon tights/stockings.

Dresses

Summer blue and white checked dress
'NEW INCLUSION' Summer/Winter – Burgundy check Tunic - https://beleza.com.au/product/girls-winter-tunic/

Shorts

Plain black shorts without decoration or brand name. Short running shorts are not acceptable.

Pants

Black school pants or tracksuit pants, without decoration or brand name.

Socks or tights/stockings

Black or white socks

Black/maroon tights/stockings

Footwear

Appropriate footwear is to be worn. Summer sandals with covered toes, black or brown school shoes or pull on school boots or runners are permitted. No thongs or open-toed sandals are permitted.

School Rain Coat (Optional Item)

Burgundy/Maroon

Headwear

Burgundy/Maroon, black or gold head bands, hair ribbons, "scrunchies" or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs. Elastic Bands used to tie up hair may be worn in any colour.

Hats – to be worn in term 1 & term 4

Maroon broadbrim/bucket hat with school logo.

Sports uniform

For Physical Education and sport children must wear suitable footwear. This is runners or sneakers which are laced tightly.

Please refer to photos of samples of footwear that are acceptable.

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The shoes below are not permitted because they are not lace ups. The laces are purely decorative, which means that the shoes can easily slip off. This creates major issues when running or undertaking physical education sessions.

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