## Dress Code Policy

## Introduction

The Golden Beach State School Dress Code Policy has been developed in consultation with parents and caregivers, school staff, students and the Parents' and Citizens' Association.

The Golden Beach State School community endorses, supports and expects students to be in uniform.
A uniform is an important part of the development of our school as we agree it presents the first (and often lasting) impression people form about our school and its students. The Golden Beach State School Dress Code assists our school community by:

- Allowing for the easy identification of our students on school premises and during regional sporting and cultural events and excursions, critical incidents, safety drills or evacuations.
- Alerting our school staff to people who may not belong on our school grounds.
- Reducing the pressure of buying name brands and following the latest trends and fads, this minimises any visible economic or social differences between students.
- Promoting a sense of common purpose and belonging, consistency and unity in the daily activities of students.
- Reflecting Golden Beach State School's community expectations of student safety and is consistent with the Department of Education and Training's Occupational Health and Safety and Antidiscrimination Legislation and Sun Safe Strategy.


## Dress and personal appearance expectations

Students wearing items of jewellery and headwear that do not comply with the requirements set out below will be asked to remove the offending item and store it out of sight for the remainder of the school day. In the case of non-uniform items worn, students will be required to change into replacement uniform items provided to replace it during the school day. A refusal to comply will be dealt with in accordance with managing compliance set out below.

## Dress

Golden Beach State School requires all students to be in full school uniform when:

- Attending or representing the school
- Travelling to and from school; and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours


## Personal Appearance

Golden Beach State School requires all students to come to school with a clean and tidy appearance.

## Please Note:

- All aspects of the school uniform (except shoes) - shirts, skorts, shorts, hats, jackets and track pants - are available from the School Uniform shop (EFTPOS facilities are available).
- All aspects of the school uniform need to be kept in a neat, presentable state. Damaged uniforms will need to be replaced.
- Students need to wear hats at school during breaks, and outdoor activities. Beanies and other head warmers are not permitted.
- No denim (or cord) shorts or long trousers allowed
- No visible mid-riffs; waist ribbing, sweat bands and head wear or scarves are allowed.
- Shoes must be plain black with black laces, Velcro or buckles. No slip ons.
- Socks must be plain white ankle length and visible.
- Only bottle green tights/stockings are acceptable.
- Long hair (below shoulder length) must be tied back.
- Hair colour is to be natural tones i.e. not multi-coloured (such as pink, blue, and green).
- Hair styles are to be neat and tidy e.g. no shaved styles, no Mohawks, no words/symbols shaved into the scalp etc.
- No lip colours, eyeliner, mascara or eye shadow is allowed.
- Clear nail polish is permitted.
- Facial piercings must be covered by tape/Band-Aid (if new) or removed during the school day or be a completely clear plastic stud (no stone). No sleepers or rings are allowed due to WH\&S requirements.
- No necklaces, bracelets, bands or anklets are allowed
- The only jewellery acceptable is-
* Plain small studs or sleepers (only flesh coloured plugs can be worn, NO tunnels or dangly earrings)

A watch

* Religious or culturally significant pendant - to be worn inside shirt so it is not visible and on a thin chain


## * Medi-Alert pendant/Medi-Alert bracelet

(This is a WH\&S requirement and any additional jewellery will be confiscated)

- District or regional sports representative jackets are allowed to be worn

Footwear Guide


## Financial Hardship

Personal financial circumstances may make purchasing school uniform items seem unrealistic for some families. Parents should note that Golden Beach State School through the P \& C can provide relevant assistance to families for uniform items where financial stress is genuine;

- Second hand uniforms are available for purchase from the P \& C Uniform Shop.
- Lay-by and payment plans are also available.



## Managing non-compliance

The following non-compliance process could be undertaken.

- Where a student is continually inappropriately dressed:
* The student will be offered a choice of correct uniform items from the bank of clothing/uniforms held at the school for the day.
* If they refuse to accept the offer of a correct uniform item, the student will be sent to administration where office staff will ring the student's home to explain the uniform policy requirements to parents, request parental cooperation in requiring their child to accept the uniform items or where possible request that the required uniform items be brought to school for the student to change in to.
* If, after this, the student is non-compliant, they will be dealt with in accordance with the sanctions for non-compliance.
* Where students have incorrect footwear, they may be referred to the office and their parents contacted and requested to bring correct shoes to the school. If this is not possible students could be asked to change into a school set of shoes.
- In circumstances where the Principal is satisfied that the student's non-compliance is beyond the student's control, disciplinary sanctions will not be applied.


## Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8.00am-9.30am for the sale of new and second hand uniforms. EFTPOS and credit card facilities are available.

## Dress Code Review

Golden Beach State School's Dress Code Policy is reviewed annually and submitted to the Parents' and Citizens' Association for support and endorsement.




