







# Murrumba State Secondary College

## Dress Code

At Murrumba State Secondary College we care about our students, their safety and their image in the community and believe that their appearance is a very significant and visible communicator about our College. In accordance with community feedback and health and safety issues, the following uniform is in place for **all** students.

All items listed are available from the College uniform shop except for shoes. **All items will have the College logo, initials or colours clearly marked on them. Further specifications regarding how the uniform should be worn are available in our Presentation and grooming section below.**

<p><b>Boys Day Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tailored charcoal shorts or long charcoal trousers</li> <li>Plain black belt</li> <li>College shirt</li> <li>Plain grey ankle socks with stripe</li> <li>Black leather enclosed shoes</li> </ul> <p><b>Senior Additions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College tie (10-12)</li> <li>Long grey sock with stripe</li> </ul> <p><b>Winter additions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charcoal knitted V neck jumper with embroidered College crest</li> </ul> <p><b>Optional:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College Blazer</li> </ul>		<p><b>Girls Day Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charcoal (below knee-length) skirt</li> <li>College blouse</li> <li>Tailored charcoal shorts or long charcoal trousers</li> <li>White ankle socks with stripes</li> <li>Black leather enclosed shoes</li> <li>Cross-over tie (7-9)</li> </ul> <p><b>Senior Additions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College tie (10-12)</li> </ul> <p><b>Winter additions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charcoal knitted V neck jumper or cardigan with embroidered College crest</li> <li>Black or skin coloured stocking or black opaque, full foot stocking (no patterned)</li> </ul> <p><b>Optional:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College Blazer</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Boys and Girls Sports Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College shorts</li> <li>College polo shirt</li> <li>College Sports socks</li> <li>Appropriate runner, jogger or cross trainer in black, white or grey</li> <li>College bucket hat or cap <b>COMPULSORY</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b>  <i>Sports uniform may be worn to and from College only on sports days when students are participating in practical Physical Education lessons.</i>  <b>Year 11 &amp; 12 students only: Where students do not participate in either a sport or HPE program, the Sports Uniform may be worn on no more than two occasions. These occasions will be identified by the College on an annual basis.</b></p> <p><b>Winter additions:</b>      Sports tracksuit top      Sports tracksuit pants      Charcoal knitted V neck jumper or cardigan with embroidered College crest may also be worn with sports uniform.</p>			

<p><b>College Backpack – Compulsory</b></p>	
<p><b>Senior Jersey:</b> An <b>approved</b> Senior Jersey may be worn as part of the uniform for <b>Year 12</b> boys and girls only on designated days as identified by the College on an annual basis.</p>	
<p><b>Band Uniform: Full Day dress uniform with hair tied back off face.</b></p>	

**College shoes – Day Uniform**

Students are required to wear protective and appropriate footwear to College every day. Students must wear black fully enclosed polished leather/leather look shoes of plain, conventional College or multi-purpose design (see photographs). The College Uniform Shop will provide specifications and recommended products to all families.

**Sports Uniform- Footwear**

Our College dress code requires that students wear their black, polishable shoes to College every day to facilitate safe participation in learning experiences in all areas of the College. Students may choose to bring alternative shoes in their bags that they change into for sporting activities.

### Winter months

In the winter months students are permitted to wear plain white t-shirts or singlets under their formal or sports uniform to add layers.

- Girls may wear black or skin toned stockings (**unpatterned**) under their day uniform only.
- Students may wear scarves that are a solid colour - white, navy or charcoal

### Non-compliance with the dress code (Education – General Provisions Act 2006)

- If a student arrives at College with incorrect uniform items, they must immediately report to X Block, Student Services to discuss the situation. A note from a parent/guardian is required.
- In the first instance, the student will be given a warning and **a uniform slip** detailing the incorrect uniform item and the slip's period of validity. A reasonable period of time will be negotiated in order for the student to become compliant with the uniform code.
- If the student does not comply with the plan developed above, a detention will be given to the student each time they fail to comply with the dress code.
- If the student continues to be out of uniform and fails to complete the detention, this will be considered as **wilful disobedience**, and as such students may be **suspended from College** (re RBPS).

### Other consequences:

- If the incorrect uniform is offensive in nature, unsafe or completely unrecognisable as a Murrumba State Secondary College student, parents will be contacted and arrangements made for the student to obtain the appropriate uniform
- The student may be prevented from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student would have been **representing the College**
- The student may be prevented from attending or participating in any College activity that, in the reasonable opinion of the College's principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the College

### Financial Hardship

- The College provides a range of solutions to assist families in financial hardship. These include payment plans, and other approaches that can be negotiated on a case by case basis.

# Presentation and grooming

## Personal Hygiene

Students are expected at all times to take responsibility for their own cleanliness. This shows respect for self and other members of the community.

## College uniform

The College uniform is designed in full consultation with the College community. Any future modifications will involve similar consultative processes.

No other clothing should be substituted for the College uniform, which is to be worn appropriately whilst at College and travelling to and from College. Black, polishable leather/leather-look, fully covered shoes are the required footwear and should be of a presentable standard. It is our expectation that students will wear their uniforms neatly, cleanly and with pride. The **Murrumba State Secondary College Uniform Policy** clearly sets out the requirements regarding each item of uniform.

## Hair

Hair should be of one natural-looking colour, worn in a neat conventional style. Multiple tones are not appropriate. Hairstyles such as Mohawks and dreadlocks are also inappropriate. There should be no extremes of hair style or presentation. Hair must be clean and tidy and comply with workplace health & safety provisions. Students with long hair need to tie it back fully. Ribbons/hair ties are acceptable only if they are in College colours. Students should ensure that their hair is cut in a way that is out of their eyes.

## Jewellery & Grooming

Students are expected to take pride in their grooming and hygiene.

Minimal, tasteful, conservative jewellery is acceptable with the College uniform.

Jewellery is restricted to a wrist watch, one simple, fine chain around the neck, **one** set of plain studs or sleepers worn in ears only, one plain ring. **Facial piercings are not permitted.** No other jewellery items are permitted.

## Make-up

Students are not to wear makeup or fingernail polish.

## Non-uniform College occasions

Students are required to dress appropriately for the occasion and are expected to do so with the responsibility of being ambassadors for the College. On these occasions it is important that students present themselves in a manner that is neat, tasteful and meets safety requirements. Extremes of style and fashion are not acceptable.

**It is not possible to set out presentation and grooming rules in a way that is 'black and white': there is always the need for interpretation about taste, safety and appropriateness of fashion trends and the College authorities will need to make judgements about this from time to time.**

We are confident that our students will take pride in being members of the Murrumba State Secondary College community and will choose to make responsible choices about presenting themselves.