

# CRESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL



## School Uniform Policy

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### **PURPOSE:**

The aim of this policy is to engender in students a sense of belonging and pride in their school.

### **RATIONALE:**

The wearing of a school uniform is important to the overall image of the school and its tone. It contributes to a child's feeling of equality, belonging and pride in their school. It reflects Crestwood Public School's opportunities of tradition, excellence and opportunity. The wearing of a school uniform reflects our high community standards and expectations and ensures that the school is easily identified within the community. Requirements of occupational health and safety, anti discrimination and equal opportunity legislation have been considered by the wearing of school uniform.

The wearing of the school uniform offers children a degree of safety as they are recognisable to parents and community members in the local area.

'The Department of Education and Communities supports the wearing of school uniforms by students and the upholding of high standards of dress by students and staff. The Department recognises that NSW has a long history of school uniforms or dress codes being decided by the local school community.'

### **GUIDELINES:**

The school uniform was decided upon by the whole school community (students, parents, staff) and this policy has been developed in consultation with the local school community. It is the responsibility of the Principal to provide parents and carers with the school's uniform policy statement and uniform requirements.

The school uniform policy takes into account the diverse nature of the student population and does not disadvantage any students based on economic, religious or cultural factors. It is however, the responsibility of the total school community to encourage and support the wearing of school uniform.

It is the expectation of the school and the P&C that students wear school uniform during school hours, travelling to and from school and when engaged in school based activities out of normal school hours unless indicated otherwise by the Principal.

The summer uniform is worn in Terms 1 and 4. The winter uniform is worn in Terms 2 and 3. This is at the discretion of the principal.

Sports uniforms will be worn on those days when children participate in school sport and specific activities noted by organising teachers or the Principal.

On days where students will participate in PSSA training, students should come to school in full school uniform. Students are asked to bring along their sports uniform and joggers to change into just prior to PSSA training. Students will be required to change back into their school uniform at the completion of PSSA training.

On days when students participate in PSSA sport, they are encouraged to wear their sports uniform and change into their specific PSSA uniform before and after attending PSSA. PSSA uniforms provided by the school must be returned at the end of each season. Any PSSA uniforms that are not returned will be invoiced and payment for the item will be required.

The Uniform committee comprises the uniform shop manager, P&C President and Deputy Principal. In consultation with the community, they are responsible for the introduction of new items, compliance of by-laws and maintaining the quality of the items. The Uniform Shop Manager is responsible for purchasing, selling and issuing receipts for goods purchased and is financially responsible to the Parents and Citizens Association (P&C). The Uniform Committee will regularly report to the P&C at meetings and make recommendations for changes to the school uniform.

The school uniform will be available from 'the school's uniform shop'. In consideration of the cost involved in purchasing uniforms, items should remain in operation for at least five years. Uniform requirements should be reviewed at least every five years and necessary changes made. A transitional period will apply to the phasing out of old items. Parents are to be advised about ways they can access financial support if they are financially unable to purchase uniform items.

For parents unable to attend the uniform shop, provision has been made for orders to be left at the school office and via email.

Parents are encouraged to clearly label all uniform items with their child's name and class. Children are encouraged to take their uniform items home at the end of each day. Any items of clothing which have been left at school and are not labelled will be placed in the Lost Property Box located in the school weather shed and outside the Kindergarten classrooms. At the end of each term, all items not claimed are given to the second hand clothing pool.

Broad brimmed hats are considered part of the Crestwood school uniform in line with the Sun Smart Policy. Crestwood Public School Policy is No Hat – Play In The Shade. A PSSA cap can be worn while representing the school at PSSA competitions. These caps must be worn only whilst playing and travelling to the set venues and must be replaced by the regulation school hat once the student is at school.

Jewellery or other items that could cause an injury to themselves or other students are not to be worn.

Reminders relating to the wearing of uniform, particularly in relation to Occupational Health and Safety matters, eg 'unsafe jewellery, inadequate footwear and broad brimmed hats,' will be communicated regularly by the Principal in the school newsletter.

The wearing of school uniform will be encouraged by positive reinforcement. The Principal and staff should actively promote the wearing of school uniform. Positive comments should be made to individual students who support the school ethos, have pride in their school and represent it well.

Responses to students who do not wear uniform will be fair and consistent and will not prevent students from continued participation in curriculum activities, except where safety issues are involved. A 'Uniform Pass' will be issued to these students.

### **Strategies to be used for individual student non compliance:-**

- Speaking to the student (preferably in private) to encourage wearing of the school uniform.
- If a note has been provided with a reason for being out of uniform, an executive will issue a 'Uniform Pass'.
- If a note is not provided, an executive will issue a 'Uniform Pass' for one day. This note should be taken home.
- Providing a verbal warning to the student.
- Providing advice to the parents via a phone call or letter from the principal.
- Inviting parents to the school to discuss the situation with the principal or another staff member.
- Negotiating an appropriate course of action with the student and parents.
- Remind students of the 'no hat, play in the shade' rule.

These strategies should be presented to staff in Term 1 of each year.

### **Optional Items sold at the uniform shop**

- School bag (backpack)
- School excursion bag
- Poncho
- Maroon football socks with white stripes
- Maroon gloves
- Maroon scarf

# Crestwood Public School Uniform Requirements - GIRLS

## GIRLS

- Summer: Maroon & white check dress  
Short cuffed white socks (above the ankle bone)  
Black school shoes or all black leather styled joggers  
Crestwood school hat (broad brimmed) - maroon or white
- Winter: Maroon winter tunic or maroon tailored pants  
Straight collared white shirt (long or short sleeve)  
School tie  
Maroon tights or short cuffed white socks (above the ankle bone)  
No socks to be worn over tights  
Black school shoes or all black leather style joggers  
Crestwood school hat (broad brimmed) - maroon or white
- General: Junior maroon jacket (K-4), senior maroon jacket (5-6) or sloppy joe (with emblem)  
Hair accessories– maroon, white, black or school dress material  
Earrings– sleepers or studs only  
No nail polish or makeup  
Maroon scarf
- Sport: White and maroon sport shirt  
Maroon shorts  
Short white socks (above ankle bone) or white socks with maroon stripes (optional)  
Joggers  
Maroon microfibre track pants  
Crestwood school hat (broad brimmed) - maroon or white  
PSSA cap (for PSSA games only)

# Crestwood Public School Uniform Requirements - BOYS

## BOYS

Summer: Grey shorts or trousers  
Straight collared grey shirt with school crest  
Cuffed grey socks (above ankle bone) or grey socks with maroon and white stripe  
Black school shoes or all black leather styled joggers  
Crestwood school hat (broad brimmed)

Winter: Grey trousers  
Long sleeved straight collared grey shirt with school crest  
School tie  
Cuffed grey socks (above ankle bone) or grey socks with maroon and white stripe  
Black shoes or all black leather style joggers  
Crestwood school hat (broad brimmed)

General: Junior maroon jacket (K-4), senior maroon jacket (5-6) or sloppy joe; Maroon scarf

Sport: White and maroon sport shirt  
Maroon sports shorts  
Short white socks (above ankle bone) or white socks with maroon stripes (optional)  
Joggers  
Maroon microfibre track pants  
PSSA cap (for PSSA games only)

Note: Representative sporting jackets or jumpers may only be worn during Friday sports days or at other representative sporting fixtures.

Band caps are only to be worn during band recitals.

Skins are not part of the uniform and as such, are not to be worn under sports shorts/uniforms.

## References/Appendices:

1. DET School Uniform Policy ((PD/2004/0025/VO1)
2. School Uniforms in New South Wales Government Schools
3. Crestwood Public School Uniform Requirements
4. Sun Smart Information & Support Material
5. Uniform Pass



# Uniform Pass

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

### Item

- Shoes       Hat       Jumper  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Note from parent received -  Yes     No

### Reason

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Exec Approval \_\_\_\_\_

Uniform Pass Valid Until \_\_\_\_\_



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