# COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

#### 1. Preamble

Mount Ridley P-12 College has a uniform dress code for all students which consists of a standardised range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It is in place to clearly identify students of the College. Students will be required to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when engaged in school activities out of school hours. This policy also covers the Mount Ridley P-12 College sports uniform, which students are required to wear whilst participating in all Physical Education and Sport activities.

#### 2. Rationale

The uniform Dress Code reinforces in students a sense of pride in their appearance. It instils in them the recognition that they are an integral part of the College community and assists in developing pride in representing their College. The wearing of school uniform promotes equality amongst students at Mount Ridley P-12 College and helps to ensure that students are safe within the school environment.

## 3. Guiding Principles

The following guidelines will be adhered to in relation to the application of this policy:

- College Council has the responsibility for determining the Dress Code for students;
- The wearing of a uniform dress code ensures that students are identifiable whilst at school, attending school activities and travelling to and from school;
- School uniform items will meet Occupational Health and Safety requirements;
   and
- Parents will be provided with an affordable, durable range of clothing for their children to wear whilst at school.

## 4. Implementation

Mount Ridley P-12 College's uniform has been designed through an exhaustive consultation process. The College Council requires that the Principal be responsible for the implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Engagement Guidelines. It is a requirement of the College Council that all students will adhere to the uniform dress code which will be enforced by all teachers.

- The uniform dress code, including details of uniform items and prices will be made available to all parents and students through the College newsletter, College handbooks and on the College website;
- The Mount Ridley P-12 College Council has the responsibility of overseeing the College uniform and making recommendations to the College Principal.
- Any recommendations to vary the uniform are voted on by the College Council.
- The College will accommodate the differing religious beliefs of our students in relation to clothing. Written applications must be made to the Principal in these instances.
- Students who are out of uniform are expected to provide a note stating the reason for this.
- Students who are out of uniform without a valid reason will face consequences, as per the College Student Engagement Policy.

 Students in Years 9 - 12 who attend the College out of uniform will have the same consequences as Junior and Middle School students. After these processes have been exhausted and every attempt has been made to ensure the Senior student attends in full College uniform, students will be sent home. Every attempt will be made to contact the parent/guardian.

#### 5. Evaluation

As part of the College review cycle this policy will be reviewed every three years.

Date policy ratified: February 2009

Date of next review: 2012

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## **APPENDIX – Specific Details of Uniform Requirements**

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL (PREP TO YEAR 4)**

## **Girls Summer Uniform**

- Summer Dress (in College pattern)
- Summer Culotte (in College pattern) or Black Shorts (360E with College logo) with Short Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Jumper with College logo
- White Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform
- There is also an option to wear black pants (TR400 with College logo).

#### **Girls Winter Uniform**

- Long Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Winter Tunic or Skirt (in College pattern)
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black Tights or Black Knee high socks are to be worn with the winter tunic
- There is also an option to wear black pants (TR400 with College logo).

## **Boys Summer Uniform**

- Black Shorts (360E with College logo) or black pants (TR400 with College logo)
- Short Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Jumper with College logo
- Black socks are to be worn with the summer uniform.

#### **Boys Winter Uniform**

- Black Pants (TR400 with College logo)
- Long Sleeve Polo with College logo
- Choice of V Neck Windcheater or V Neck Woollen Jumper (with College logo)
- Black socks should be worn with the winter uniform.

## MIDDLE/SENIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM (YEARS 5 TO 12)

## **Girls Summer Uniform**

- Summer Dress (in College pattern)
- Summer Culotte (in College pattern) or Black Shorts (355E with College logo) with Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- V Neck Jumper with College logo
- White Socks are to be worn with the summer uniform
- There is also an option to wear black pants (TR400 with College logo) with Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo.

#### **Girls Winter Uniform**

- Winter Tunic or Skirt in College pattern
- Long Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- School Tie
- V Neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black Tights or Black Knee high socks are to be worn with the winter tunic or skirt
- There is also an option to wear black pants (TR400 with College logo).

## **Boys Summer Uniform**

- Black Shorts (355E with College logo) or black pants (TR400 with College logo)
- Short Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- V Neck Jumper with College logo
- Black Socks.

#### **Boys Winter Uniform**

- Black Pants (TR400 with College logo) or black shorts (355E with College logo)
- Long Sleeve Shirt with College logo
- School Tie
- V Neck Woollen Jumper with College logo
- Black Socks.

#### **GENERAL**

## **Summer/Winter Uniform**

As a guide for parents and students:

- The Summer uniform is to be worn during Terms 1 and 4
- The Winter uniform is to be worn during Terms 2 and 3.
- There is a crossover period of the first two weeks of Term 2 and Term 4.

#### **Footwear**

- Plain black shoes (lace-up, boot or velcro) are to be worn. Plain black runners may also be worn but they are to have no distinguishing colour features. Footwear should provide orthopaedic support.
- Dunlop Volleys, Vans, Chuck Taylors and other forms of canvas shoes are not to be worn.

#### Hats/Caps

- The summer Slouch Hat with College logo must be worn during Terms 1 and 4 (Prep –Year 4).
- The College Cap may be worn during Terms 1 and 4 (Years 5 12).
- The Slouch Hat and College Cap are to be worn outdoors only.

#### College Tie (Middle/Senior)

• The College Tie must only be worn with the Long Sleeve Shirt (during Terms 2 and 3). It cannot be worn with the Short Sleeve shirt.

## **Jackets**

The Spray Jacket is the only type of jacket that can be worn. It can be worn
with the standard school uniform or with the sport uniform.

#### **Accessories and Personal Grooming**

#### Hair

 For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back at all times, particularly in technology rooms or laboratories.

- All hair accessories must be plain. Ribbons, scrunchies and headbands must be black, white, light blue or yellow or in the dress, tunic or skirt College pattern.
- Extreme hair colours or styles are not permitted.

#### Jewellery

- While in general, jewellery other than watches is not permitted, up to two pairs of inconspicuous sleepers/studs may be worn in the earlobes.
- For health and safety reasons, other facial piercings are not permitted.

## **Makeup**

Makeup and coloured nail polish are not permitted.

#### <u>Miscellaneous</u>

- A black or white scarf may be worn in winter (no other colour is permitted).
   Scarves are to be worn outdoors only.
- It is recommended that the official College backpack is purchased as it has been designed to fit into the College's bag locker. Alternatively, a plain black school bag may be used. Backpacks should be worn according to their design specifications.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS UNIFORM

The sports uniform is to be worn on days that physical education or sport is held and other occasions as advised by the College.

- Black sports shorts with College logo
- Rugby Top with College logo
- Short Sleeve Sports Polo with College logo
- Black track pants with College logo
- Spray Jacket with College logo
- White or Black sport socks

#### **Footwear**

 Runners (lace-up or velcro) which provide orthopaedic support. Dunlop Volleys, Vans, Chuck Taylors and other canvas shoes are not permitted with the Physical Education uniform. Students will not be able to participate in Physical Education lessons if they are wearing incorrect shoes.

## **Swimwear**

- One piece costume for girls.
- Bathers or box swim shorts for boys (no long board shorts).

## **UNIFORM SUPPLIER**

Uniform items need to be purchased from our approved uniform supplier, PSW. The PSW store is open 6 days a week (Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm / Saturday: 9.00am - 5.00pm). It operates 7 days a week during the summer break. While Layby, EFTPOS and easy payment services are provided, customers may wish to take advantage of their online facility (www.psw.com.au). The store is located at 2/283 Rex Road, CAMPBELLFIELD. Their phone contact is: 9303 7845.