Mount Marrow State School Student Dress Code

STUDENTS DRESS CODE STATEMENT

The Mount Marrow State School is a full uniform school. The School Uniform is regarded by the school community as being important in its role in encouraging a sense of self-esteem, belonging and self-discipline in students.

The Mount Marrow State School Dress Code is designed to:

- Give students a sense of purpose that lends itself to the process of learning in our educational environment
- Ensure our students are easily identifiable
- Cater for elements of safety, comfort, climate, modesty, cost, efficiency, social equity and activity

RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND POLICY

This policy has been developed in accordance with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Sections 360-363) and the Department of Education and Training policy- Student Dress Code in relation to implementing student dress codes in Queensland State schools. The policy clearly outlines the schools response to non-compliance with regard to the Student Dress Code at Mount Marrow State School. The Mount Marrow State School Student Dress Code is endorsed by the P & C Association.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS REGARDING THE STUDENT DRESS CODE

- Commit to supporting the dress code as part of the enrolment agreement
- Support the student to adhere to the dress code
- Request short or long term modifications or exemptions to the dress code in writing, providing reasons for the request
- Work with the school to resolve issues regarding student compliance with the school's dress code
- Engage in consultation processes about future revisions to the dress code

EXPECTATIONS

All students are expected to observe the details of correct attire and must be wearing the complete school uniform unless advised otherwise. Students should present in a neat and tidy manner at all times, including on their way to and home from the School. This high standard will ensure that our students continue to represent themselves and the School in an outstanding way.

Our school uniform consists of:

- Official Mount Marrow State School Polo Shirt
  - Year 6 students may wear the senior shirt for the current year only
  - Students participating in Music Bus may wear the Mount Marrow Music Shirt
- Black Mount Marrow shorts or black unisex shorts
- Black shoes
- White socks
- Black hat – legionnaires, bucket or broad brim

Winter Uniform:

As above plus the following-

- Black tracksuit pants
- Plain black jumper / black zip up jacket

Other items students may wear:

- Mount Marrow Way armbands earned that year
- Mount Marrow Way lapel pin/s
- Black stockings or tights under the school uniform (white socks do not need to be worn if the tights/stockings have a 'foot')
- Black or purple beanie, scarf and glove in winter months, outside of the classroom
- Black hijab, yarmulke or turban if required for religious reasons

Hair and Makeup

All students at Mount Marrow State School are to be well groomed and the following must be adhered to:

- Hairstyles must be neat, clean, tidy and well-maintained
- Students with long hair must have it tied back and are encouraged to use a purple or black hair tie
- It is unacceptable for hair to be coloured or dyed a bright or non-natural colour (unless it is a temporary colour for a sporting event)
- Extreme hairstyles such as mohawks, rats' tails etc. are not permitted
- Accessories are not permitted (including, but are not limited to, bandanas, other brightly coloured headwear, fashion head bands etc.)
- Eyeliner, eye shadow, mascara and other makeup is not permitted
- Students may wear clear nail polish only

JEWELLERY/ACCESSORIES

Due to Workplace Health and Safety requirements, jewellery is restricted to one pair of stud or sleeper earrings (one in each ear) and a watch. Rings, necklaces, nose studs/rings or other body piercings are not permitted. Junk jewellery is not permitted. Watches must not be capable of recording or communicating with other devices.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students not in correct uniform must have a note or email to the school from a parent/caregiver explaining the reason. The preferred option is a signed note to be given to the class teacher at the commencement of the school day and staff will arrange for the student to be given a uniform slip. These will be accepted for specified and temporary reasons rather than long-term waivers of the uniform expectations.

If a student does not comply with a dress code for school students, developed under section 360 of the Act, the school principal, working within the Department of Education and Training's Policy and Procedure – Student Dress Code, may impose the following appropriate disciplinary consequences:

- Issue a cautionary white slip for the first occurrence
- Incorrect items may be temporarily held at the school until parents can retrieve them
- Issue a detention white slip for a period of up to 20 minutes
- Prevent the student from attending, or participating in any activity for which the student would have been representing the school
- Prevent the student from attending, or participating in, any school activity that, in the reasonable opinion of the school principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the school

We will support the student to comply with the dress code using loan items (if available) or removal of inappropriate items (e.g. jewellery, nail polish) in the first instance. We will talk with the student about their non-compliance with the dress code and any consequences they may receive in the future. We will contact parents via the white slip process firstly with a caution and then with a detention. We will provide alternative educational activities if student participation in essential curriculum activities is prevented for safety reasons.

PURCHASING UNIFORMS

The Mount Marrow State School Polo Shirt and hats are available from the Mount Marrow State School uniform shop. Black shorts, white socks, black jumpers and black tracksuit pants can be purchased from major retail stores.