

Arthur Phillip High School

# **Uniform Policy**

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## Rationale

It has been agreed by our school community (parents, students and staff) that students are to wear a school uniform. This is clearly stated in the school's PB4L expectations 'STRIVE' and relates to our commitment in keeping all of our students safe. All students are to be well groomed, neat and tidy wearing the full uniform of Arthur Phillip High School and, if they fail to do so they are in breach of the school's expectations.

## Uniform

Senior Girls	Senior Boys
<ul> <li>White blouse with school logo, short or long sleeved</li> <li>Navy blue skirt with red pinstripe</li> <li>Lowes APHS plain navy blue shorts or long pants (Patterns, checks, stripes, artwork denim, commercial tracksuit pants or jeans are NOT acceptable.)</li> <li>Plain black hard leather (lace-up, Velcro) shoes (not boots) with black laces. <u>Shoes must enclose whole foot.</u> (Shoes with patterns, white or any colour trim other than black are unacceptable)</li> <li>APHS navy wool blend jumper with school logo</li> <li>APHS jacket / blazer with school logo</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White shirt with school logo, short or long sleeved</li> <li>Lowes APHS plain navy blue shorts or long pants (Patterns, checks, stripes, artwork denim, commercial tracksuit pants or jeans are NOT acceptable.)</li> <li>Plain black hard leather (lace-up, Velcro) shoes (not boots) with black laces. <u>Shoes must enclose whole foot.</u> (Shoes with patterns, white or any colour trim other that black are unacceptable)</li> <li>APHS navy wool blend jumper with school logo</li> <li>APHS jacket / blazer</li> <li>School tie</li> </ul>
Junior Girls	Junior Boys
<ul> <li>Navy / White polo shirt with school logo, short or long sleeved</li> <li>Navy blue skirt with red pinstripe</li> <li>Lowes APHS plain navy blue shorts or long pants (Patterns, checks, stripes, artwork denim, commercial tracksuit pants or jeans are NOT acceptable.)</li> <li>Plain black hard leather (lace-up, Velcro) shoes (not boots) with black laces. <u>Shoes</u> <u>must enclose whole foot.</u> (Shoes with patterns, white or any colour trim other than black are unacceptable)</li> <li>APHS jacket (Not the APHS tracksuit jacket – which is only worn for Sport/PE sessions.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Blue / White polo shirt with school logo, short or long sleeved</li> <li>Plain navy blue shorts or long pants (Patterns, checks, stripes, artwork denim, commercial tracksuit pants or jeans are NOT acceptable.)</li> <li>Plain black hard leather (lace-up, Velcro) shoes (not boots) with black laces. <u>Shoes must enclose whole foot.</u> (Shoes with patterns, white or any colour trim other that black are unacceptable)</li> <li>APHS jacket (Not the APHS tracksuit jacket which is only worn for Sport/PE sessions.)</li> </ul>
PE/Sport Uniform	PE/Sport Uniform
<ul> <li>APHS Sport shirt</li> <li>APHS Navy Sport shorts</li> <li>APHS Navy Sport Track pants</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>APHS Sport shirt</li> <li>APHS Navy Sport shorts</li> <li>APHS Navy Sport Track pants</li> <li>APHS Sport Track Jacket</li> </ul>

**Sports uniform must not be worn to school**, but rather changed into for Sport / PE / Dance. Students must change back into their full school uniform if they have classes other than Sport / PE / Dance afterwards. **Socks** must be plain white or black and be ankle high OR knee high in length.

## Procedures

When students are unable to wear full school uniform they must carry a note explaining why they are temporarily out of uniform. Notes will NOT be accepted on a long term basis and special circumstances will have to be cleared with the relevant Deputy Principal or the Principal.

#### Jewellery/Make-up/Nails

The wearing of jewellery is discouraged. If worn, it must be kept to a minimum. For safety reasons, **earrings must be either small stud or small sleeper**. Large ear jewellery is unacceptable and will be confiscated. **Make-up must be subtle** and not excessive or inappropriate. Nail polish MUST be of a neutral colour. Long colourful nails or false nails are unacceptable. For safety reasons **fingernails must be trimmed to an appropriate length**.

## **Cold Weather**

In cold weather students are expected to wear the **school pullover** and or **jacket**. These items can be layered for warmth. Hoodies are not an acceptable uniform item and are **banned** from APHS as they pose a serious safety risk to students and staff. **Hoodies cannot** be worn to school, at school or from school as students are representing their school in our local community. If a student wears a hoodie to school, it will be **confiscated** and collected from Student Services on LG at the end of the school day or at a time to be determined by the Senior Executive. **Hoodies cannot** remain in the student's bag. Parents will be contacted as needed. Uniform assistance is available for families with financial hardship.

## **School Jersey**

The style, graphics and colour scheme of the jersey are to be determined in **consultation** with the **Year 11 students**, their **Year 11 Adviser** and the **Senior Executive**. The jersey may be worn from the commencement of Term 3 of Year 11.

## **Uniform Suppliers**

Uniforms can ONLY be purchased at Lowes Parramatta.

- If you cannot find a uniform item DO NOT BUY an alternative item even if it is close to school uniform or your child tells you it is "allowed".
- Hoodies are **banned** from APHS as they pose a serious safety risk to students and staff.
- Additional clothing for warmth these may ONLY be worn under items of uniform and MUST not be visible.
- **Headwear** students should not wear hats unless they are dark blue and with no logos. Only navy beanies and scarves may be worn during the colder months of Terms 2 and 3 and only outdoors. These can be purchased from Lowes. Hijabs must be navy blue with a white under scalp and can be purchased from the school.
- Clothing items with offensive or inappropriate writing, logos or images are banned from the school in accordance with Department of Education (DoE) Policy.

## FOOTWEAR

## Acceptable Footwear

The school expects students to follow **DoE Policy** and the **WHS Act 2009** by wearing enclosed black hard leather, lace-up, or Velcro fastened shoes. They must cover the whole top of the foot and have a low heel.



Hard Black Leather Enclosed Shoes

## Unacceptable Footwear

Students must not wear skate shoes, black soft ballet style shoes, open top Mary-Jane shoes, canvas or similar material type shoes. If you are not sure what footwear is acceptable then please consult the school before buying new shoes. A salesperson at a shoe shop will not necessarily give you the correct advice in terms of approved school styles. **Please check with the school**.



**Note:** Shoes must be of a hard leather type to satisfy safety requirements. Failure to wear this type of shoe may result in temporary exclusion from a practical subject.

## Roles and Responsibilities

#### The School

- ensure students have access to comfortable, quality school uniforms via the school uniform provider Lowes
- recognise students who demonstrate a commitment to always wearing full school uniform
- communicate with parents and students regarding the wearing of school uniform when there is a change to the normal school routine e.g. Fund day, mufti day or excursions
- report student adherence to the wearing of school uniform on their bi annual school reports

## Wellbeing Team

- provide a pool of clothing items for families experiencing hardship
- process applications for **Student Assistance** for genuine cases the school will NOT automatically provide SASS funding for uniforms every new school year
- communicate with Wellbeing Team if there are any families experiencing difficulties in fulfilling school uniform commitments

#### **Classroom Teachers**

- demonstrate a commitment to the school's uniform policy by asking students who are out of uniform for an explanation and **logging it on SENTRAL**
- PE / Sport impose a consequence for students not in the correct uniform and log this infraction on SENTRAL as it affects their participation in these courses

## Students

- wear full school uniform at all times
- bring necessary protective clothing (apron) when timetabled for practical lessons
- bring a note from home explaining the reason why you are unable to wear the uniform giving a clear indication of when you will rectify the problem with your uniform
- **bring your PE /Sport uniform** on the days you are required to participate in physical activity (i.e. PE, Sport, PASS and Dance)
- recognise that by wearing full school uniform at all times you are enhancing the school's image in the community and promoting public education

#### **Parents/Caregivers**

- ensure their child has all appropriate uniform items
- ensure they come to school wearing full school uniform each day
- provide a note explaining the reason why their child may be <u>temporarily</u> unable to wear uniform and <u>indicate how long</u> before the child will be back in full uniform
- contact the school if providing uniform is causing financial hardship