

# Biloela State High School

## STUDENT DRESS CODE

See Education Queensland's Policy – Student Dress Code

### We look great in our School Uniform

The Parents and Citizens Association of Biloela State High School supports a quality student dress code because it believes it enables the provision of a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

- Enabling rapid identification of students and non students at school
- Developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences
- Eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school
- Fostering a sense of belonging and demonstrating pride in the school
- Promoting safety for students

The neat, tidy and appropriate wearing of a school uniform is a sign of pride in oneself, and in our school. Students should strive to wear the full school uniform neatly at all times.

Students at Biloela State High School are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times and especially when:

- Attending or representing their school;
- Travelling to and from school; and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours.

The student dress code reflects community standards and is consistent with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation and the Sun Safety Strategy. Students will be given the opportunity to adhere to the school dress code, prior to parent contact.

### Uniforms

#### Girls Uniform

**Shirt:** Yrs 7 –9 Blue or Blue/Black Polo (introduced 2009) with school logo

Yrs 10 – 12 Striped Senior Polo or the Yr 7 – 9 shirts.

**Skirt:** Black drop waist pleated skirt. Please ensure skirts are of a suitable length.

**Shorts:** Black microfibre shorts (introduced 2009) which are available from Heilbronn's Mensland. Length of shorts need to be from mid thigh to above the knee. **NB:** Short, silky/nylon athletic shorts are not regulation uniform and should not be worn.

**Socks:** White or black coloured socks to be worn.

**Hair Bows:** School or house colours please.

#### Boys Uniform

**Shirt:** Yrs 7 –9 Blue or Blue/Black Polo (introduced 2009) with school logo

Yrs 10 – 12 Striped Senior Polo or the Yr 7 – 9 shirts.

**Shorts:** Plain black shorts or longer leg tab shorts - cotton blend or specific black microfibre shorts (introduced 2009) which are available from Heilbronn's Mensland. Length of shorts needs to be from mid thigh to above the knee. **NB:** Short, silky/nylon athletic shorts, name brand (e.g. Canterbury) and homies are not regulation uniform.

**Socks:** White or black coloured socks to be worn.

#### Boys and Girls – Winter Wear

Royal blue sweatshirt/jumper,

Plain royal blue or black tracksuit pants or black slacks/pants.

A blue weatherproof jacket can be purchased from Heilbronn's Mensland.



## Formal Dress

School leaders, students representing the school and members of the band and choir are to wear:

Shirt/Blouse: White, long or short sleeve shirt/overblouse, white with blue pencil stripe, or band shirt which is plain white.

Bottoms: Black trousers/pants/long skirts.

Shoes: Black leather or vinyl lace-up shoes.

Formal dress is available at no cost from the Resource Centre. Cleaning costs may be incurred.
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## Wearing the Uniform

- Wear the uniform with pride!
- Shirts or undershirts worn under the school uniform are not to be seen. They are to be tucked into the shorts, slacks or track pants, not pulled out. Please only wear white, blue or black undershirts.
- Jeans, hoodies and beanies are not part of the school uniform and are not to be worn.
- No graffiti is to be on any part of the school uniform including footwear.
- As the uniform is sun safe, students must not roll up sleeves.

## Jewellery

- Students are permitted to wear a watch and medic alert identification.
- Students may wear a maximum of two pairs of sleepers or studs (no large or dangly ear wear) and must not wear expander plugs that are pointed or with large holes.
- Sleepers should not be larger than finger diameter, nor should they have a clasp. Sleepers should break apart easily if an object is “raked” through them.
- There are no exceptions with rings, bracelets, anklets or necklaces without permission of the Principal. Jewellery around the neck (including leather necklaces etc) should only be for medical, cultural or religious reasons and you must have permission from the Principal.
- The school strongly recommends students have no body jewellery until after they leave school as students going through puberty can have serious infections and illness from the wearing of these items. All body piercing implements must lie flat to the skin otherwise they will need to be taped for safety reasons.
- Safety requirements for some activities (eg HPE) will require the removal of ALL jewellery. Students need to comply with teacher instructions in these instances.
- Tattoos must be covered.



## Shoes

In the interest of safety students need to be wearing footwear that provides adequate protection for their feet in all situations found at school – running, laboratories, workshops and kitchens. Students must only wear joggers (sneakers or running shoes). The upper should be impervious with few or no perforations that might allow chemicals to enter the shoe. No other shoes, canvas or slipper type footwear is to be worn. We thank our school community for working with us to ensure the safety of their students through compliance with our uniform expectations.

## Cosmetics

A light foundation, to assist with skin conditions, can be used as sun protection or to hide blemishes. Eyeliner, lipstick, eye shadow, mascara and coloured nail polish are not part of the dress code. Acrylic nails are not to be worn.

## Hair Colour

Please do not dye bright colours, eg. reds, pinks, greens etc. Natural colours only should be worn, however the school recommends no hair colouring at all.

## Uniform Free Day Guidelines

Acceptable or reasonable dress refers to clothing or apparel that would be safe and socially acceptable including closed in shoes. Inappropriate dress includes offensive words or images, inappropriate products, likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others (e.g. not Sunsmart), or is immodest. These days raise funds for a selected charity or purpose.