

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The Dress Code at Aveley Secondary College is compulsory. Uniforms are provided through Uniform Concepts and available through the Uniform Shop based at the College and online through <https://www.nellgray.com.au/Schools/Aveley-Secondary-College> Parents indicate their support of this policy on their child's enrolment form.

Rationale

At Aveley Secondary College, we believe that the wearing of college uniform promotes and symbolises pride in our college. Aveley Secondary College opens as an Independent Public School committed to high standards and high expectations of our students. We fully endorse the Department of Education's recognition of the benefits of a college uniform for students attending public schools. These include:

- Promoting the safety of students through easier identification;
- Keeping the cost of clothing within reasonable limits for parents; and
- Assisting students to learn the importance of appropriate presentation. Being suitably groomed is part of the process by which students learn to engage with employers and the community.

Background

The Dress Code was developed by the College Steering Committee in accordance with the WA School Education Act (1999), Regulations (2000), and Department of Education policy on dress standards for students in public schools. Under section 128C of the School Education Act (1999), the School Council (Board) determines, in consultation with the school community, a school uniform for students. Public schools are required to have a dress code and students are required to comply with the school's code unless they have been granted an exemption.

The Uniform Committee will monitor the appropriateness of the Dress Code and make recommendations to the School Board accordingly.

Implementation

At Aveley Secondary College, the expectation is that students will comply with the Dress Code and that valuable college time will not need to be diverted to following up on breaches. Parents indicate, on their child's enrolment form, that their child will comply with the college uniform. The college uniform comprises:

Everyday wear:

- White cotton college shirt with Aveley Secondary College logo. Shirts must be buttoned to just below the collar at all times. In colder weather a plain white T-shirt can be worn under the shirt for extra warmth.
- Navy blue college jacket with Aveley Secondary College logo.
- Black enclosed school shoes or black sports shoes. Other sports shoes are allowed for sport as appropriate (see Physical Education and Sport Attire section). Unstructured flats and slip-ons are not accepted for safety reasons.
- Plain white, black or navy turnover crew or ankle socks.
- Navy opaque tights for girls.
- Leggings are not permitted.

- College tartan skirt with Aveley Secondary College logo.
- Navy blue college shorts and navy blue college trousers with Aveley Secondary College logo.
- Navy blue short and pant option for girls.

Physical Education and Sport Attire

- College sports shorts with Aveley Secondary College logo
- College polo with Aveley Secondary College logo.
- Navy blue college jacket with Aveley Secondary College logo.
- Appropriate footwear (e.g. sports shoes) must be worn during all physical education sessions.
- The college cap is recommended for outdoor activities.
- If the student has PE for Period 1 or 5, college uniform must be worn to and from the college as changing time is provided at the beginning and end of PE lessons. Under no circumstances are students to wear PE uniform in other classes.

Caps, Scarves and Headscarves

- The college cap is part of the College uniform, and is recommended for outdoor activities and break times. Other generic and brand caps must not be worn.
- Headscarves (which may be worn for religious or cultural reasons) are to be in the college navy blue colour, or white.
- Neck scarves are to be in the college navy blue or teal in colour.

Make-up, Jewellery and Body Adornments

- Make-up, jewellery and body adornments must be minimal, unobtrusive and safe.
- Earrings must be sleepers or studs, and bracelets and chains should not be worn. Clear or skin-toned retainers must be worn for facial piercings.
- If, in the opinion of the college administration, students do not adhere to these guidelines, they will be required to make the necessary changes to conform to the Dress Code.
- The college is not responsible for lost valuables.
- **Students are required to wear medical bracelets or other identifiers linked to their health needs.**

Special Uniforms

- Special uniforms, such as tours or sport teams, are not to be worn in college time except where endorsed by the College Board.

Excursions

- Unless otherwise stated, students will be expected to wear full college uniform on excursions.

Exemptions

- Under Regulation 35 (2) of the School Education Regulations, parents may apply to the Principal for an exemption to the college uniform for their child. The application is to be made at the time of their child's enrolment at the college. Only where the Principal has granted an exemption is the child to be out of uniform.
- Exemptions can be obtained through the College due to unavailability of an item, medical grounds, or another reason that in the Principal's opinion is sufficient to warrant an exemption. Exemption requests should be made in writing to the College Principal. Non-compliance may result in sanctions as covered in the College Behaviour Code.