



UNDURBA STATE SCHOOL STUDENT DRESS CODE

*P & C Association
Endorsed Effective Jan 2009*

The P & C of Undurba State School resolves that it supports a student dress code for Undurba State School because it believes that a student dress code promotes the objectives of Education (General Provisions) Bill 2006.

In particular, the P & C supports the intention of a student dress code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;
- fostering a sense of belonging; and
- developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.

The student dress code at Undurba State School promotes the objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 and in particular it promotes:

- A safe environment by enabling identification of students and non-students of this school.
- An effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at this school.
- A supportive environment by fostering a sense of belonging.
- Mutual respect among individuals by minimising visible evidence of unconscious class or social differences.

Inappropriate dress refers to any clothing or apparel worn by the students that is determined by the principal to be:

- Offensive
- Disruptive/negative to normal school operations
- Unsafe for students and others and
- Likely to result in health and safety risks of other students or others.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents will enrol students at Undurba State School on the understanding that the unisex uniform will be worn at all times. This is because:

- A uniform builds school spirit and promotes a positive image of the school in the community.
- The uniform complies with 'Sun Smart' designs i.e. be of close weave/have sleeves/have a collar/a wide brim hat or legionnaires cap.
- The uniform design will promote participation in all activities by both girls and boys.
- Students will not be discriminated against by the quality of the fashion of their clothes.

UNIFORM – General – Boys and Girls

- unisex school polo collared shirt with school emblem
- unisex navy blue shorts.
- girls alternative is navy blue culottes or navy skort.
- socks can be grey, white or navy or black.
- Sports House polo shirt to be worn when required. The shirt is required to have a collars to be sun-safe and comply with "Sun Smart Policy".
 - Nimoola – Yellow
 - Duraki – Green
 - Uralba – Red

Denim clothing, Cargo design pants and shorts or bike pants/ tights on their own are all deemed NOT ALLOWABLE.

Winter Additions – Boys and Girls

- Jumper/Jacket: – School Rugby Jumper, School Zip Jacket, Shower proof Jacket or plain navy blue jumper.
All other jumpers/jackets will be deemed NOT ALLOWABLE.
- Navy blue track suit pants – Navy blue tracksuit pants, dress pants or slacks, footed leggings or tights under skorts or culottes.

Denim clothing, Cargo design pants and shorts or bike pants/ tights on there own are all deemed NOT ALLOWABLE.

SHOES and APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR

Appropriate closed-in black leather school shoes or clean joggers must be worn. Ties can be Velcro or shoe laces. Shoelaces must be securely tied up. Socks must be worn with footwear due to health and safety reasons. Shoelaces must match the color of the shoe. Novelty Items, ie: wheels, lights, noises will be deemed NOT ALLOWABLE.

JEWELLERY/MAKEUP

The wearing of jewellery at Undurba State School is limited to the following items:

- a watch
- One small stud or sleeper of plain silver or gold, in the lower part of each ear. (A Child's small finger should not be able to go through the loop.)
- Medical alerts to be worn under school shirt. Letter from parent or doctor required.

The wearing of the following jewellery and cosmetics are not permitted.

- Make up
- fingernail polish
- decorative jewellery, necklaces and bracelets
- Tattoos and writing/ drawing on the skin.

Body jewellery in any other part of the body must be covered with tape under Workplace Health and Safety regulations.

For some activities all jewellery may need removal.
e.g. swimming/physical education. (Workplace Health and Safety)

HATS

A school hat is essential for outdoor activities. A navy blue broad brimmed, or navy blue bucket hat or legionnaires cap must be worn for all outdoor activities. Our school rule is "No School Hat, No Play".

HAIR and HAIRSTYLES

- Hair should be clean, neatly groomed and kept out of the eyes.
- Shoulder length or longer hair should be kept tied back from the face.
- Extremes of hairstyles are not accepted. Rainbow colours, cuts such as Mohawks/design tracks, rats tails are all deemed NOT ALLOWABLE.
- All hair should be deemed to be of natural colour and be neat and tidy.
- All hair accessories should be navy blue or appropriate plain school colours.

The School Uniform Shop has:

- Head bands
- Scrunchies
- Pony tail bands
- Snap clips

NON UNIFORM DAY AND FUNDRAISING FOR CHARITY

Dress code on non uniform days must comply with 'Sun Smart' policy e.g. shoulders must be covered, no bare midriffs. Appropriate shoes and a hat must be worn.

- Bandanas may be worn on a particular day
- Wrist bands may be worn on a particular day
- Free Dress Day – Casual dress or theme day outfits allowed. However, **no** bare mid-riffs, strapless, halterneck or shoe string tops, thongs, high heels, or make up are allowed for safety reasons. Dress must be of a standard that does not cause offence or embarrassment to members of the school community. No slogan or offensive t-shirts. Normal school rules apply to wearing of shoes, jewellery and make-up. The “No hat, No Play” rule still applies.

BAGS

The P&C Association has endorsed a school bag. It is not compulsory.

MOBILE PHONE POLICY and ELECTRONIC MEDIA

Mobile phones, and all electronic media are not encouraged at school. If a mobile or other electronic equipment is brought to school it is to be delivered to the office before school and collected after school. All care is taken but no responsibility is accepted by the school for equipment in the office.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

The Supportive School Policy applies:

1. Students will be counselled by the Principal or Principal’s nominee on the benefits of a dress code.
2. Assistance/support will be given to obtain suitable clothing if necessary; and a loan item may be given. This item is to be returned to the school.
3. The Parent/ Guardian will be contacted by the Principal whereby parents will be asked to follow the dress code.
4. Persistent non-compliance will result in time out
5. Students will be prevented from attending or participating in:
 - any activity for which the student would have been representing the school
 - any school activity that is not part of the essential educational program of the school
 - Excursions

MODIFICATION TO THE DRESS CODE

Parents of students who for religious, cultural or health reasons may need to modify the school dress code are required to make an appointment with the Principal. Staff Members will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.