

Student Dress Code

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Virginia State School is a uniform school. We have the support of our Parents and Citizens' Association to promote 100% adherence to the uniform. Our student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing, which includes a school uniform that Virginia State School students wear when:

- attending or representing their school;
- travelling to and from school; and
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

The Virginia State School Parents and Citizens' Association supports a student dress code policy because it believes that a student dress code provides clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- fostering a sense of belonging; and
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.
- promoting an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at the school

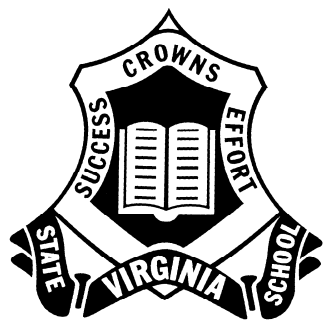
The Virginia student dress code reflects school community standards and is consistent with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation. We will actively encourage our students to take pride in themselves and their school. One way in which this may be achieved is through adherence to the school's dress standards. As the parent/carer and provider of your child, we seek your support in this matter.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel worn by students that is deemed to be:

- Offensive;
- Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence normal school operations;
- Unsafe for student or others; and
- Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others.

In circumstances where inappropriate or unreasonable dress is worn, appropriate action will be taken.

<p><u>Girls Summer Uniform:</u> Royal blue skort Royal Blue polo shirt with Gold collar and sleeve trim, with Virginia State School emblem OR Royal blue, light blue, gold and white check dress with royal blue trim on collar and sleeves. Royal blue detachable tie secured with a Virginia State School badge. White socks.</p>	<p><u>Boys Summer Uniform:</u> Royal blue school shorts Royal Blue polo shirt with Gold collar and sleeve trim, with Virginia State School emblem.</p>
<p><u>Boys and Girls Winter Uniform:</u> Royal blue tracksuit (Virginia emblem) with zippered jacket. Year 6 and 7 Sweatshirt available. Navy blue tights available</p>	<p><u>Footwear:</u> Fully enclosed shoes preferably black</p> <p><u>Socks:</u> Grey school socks – boys</p>
<p><u>Hats:</u> Royal Blue Bucket Hat OR Royal blue broadbrim hat.</p> <p><u>Swimming:</u> Swim shirt for all swimming PE lessons</p>	<p><u>Hair:</u> Collar length hair is to be plaited, braided or tied back with appropriate accessories (Royal blue or yellow in colour)</p> <p><u>Helmets:</u> Students riding bikes are legally required to wear helmets</p>
<p><u>Jewellery:</u> Watch Small plain sleepers or stud earrings Medical alert bracelet or necklace Items of significant religious belief with notification to administration</p>	



Locations: All uniforms are available from the School Uniform Shop

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<p>Hats: Royal Blue Bucket Hat OR Royal blue broadbrim hat.</p> <p>Swimming: Swim shirt required for all pool activities.</p>	<p>Non-wearing of a Royal blue bucket or broadbrim hat is 'likely to result in a risk to the health of the student'. Virginia follows the Sun-Safe guidelines of the Queensland Cancer Society. Regular caps are not permitted and will be considered as 'no hat'.</p> <p>Education Queensland policy to wear swim shirt for any pool activity.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × Students who do not have a sun-safe hat or swim shirt for outdoor activities will be required to sit in a shaded area. × Students who do not have a sun-safe hat will be excluded from activities in the sun during play breaks. × Students who do not have Royal blue headwear will be ineligible to represent the school away from the campus.
<p>Footwear: Fully enclosed shoes preferably black</p> <p>Socks: Grey school socks - boys White socks - girls</p>	<p>Non-wearing of shoes could be 'unsafe for the student or others'. Shoes with high heels or platforms, thongs, slip ons and sandals are not suitable. Sandals may be worn only on days when class swimming lessons are timetabled (P - 2 only)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × A student will be asked to replace his/her shoes and will be excluded from all outdoor activities until suitably attired.
<p>Jewellery: * Watch * Small plain sleepers or stud earrings * Medical alert bracelet or necklace * Items of significant religious belief with notification to administration</p>	<p>Other jewellery may be 'unsafe for the student or others' as such items could become caught in play equipment or could come into contact with another student causing injury. Students will be requested to remove or tape jewellery during some sport.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × A student wearing other jewellery will be asked to remove the item and if necessary give it to the teacher for safe-keeping for the remainder of the day.
<p>Nail Polish: Only clear nail polish to be worn.</p>	<p>Only clear nail polish is to be worn as other colours are 'likely to disrupt or negatively influence the normal school operations'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × Students wearing coloured nail polish will be asked to remove it by the next day.
<p>Hair: Collar length hair is to be plaited, braided or tied back with appropriate accessories (Royal blue or yellow in colour is preferred)</p>	<p>To reduce the transfer of headlice long hair is to be plaited, braided or tied back with blue or yellow hair accessories. Long hair not tied up could be 'unsafe for the student and likely to result in a risk to health and safety of students and others'. Dyed hair and inappropriate hairstyles e.g. Mohawk, tracks or rat tails could 'negatively influence the normal school operations'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × Students will be encouraged to tie back long hair. × Students will be asked to keep inappropriate hair styles for the vacation periods.
<p>Helmets: Students riding bikes are legally required to wear helmets</p>	<p>Helmets must be securely fastened. Non-wearing of helmets is against the law and could be 'unsafe for the student and others'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × If necessary the police will be contacted.

In all of the above circumstances:

- × Parents/Caregivers can be notified by letter that their child is not complying with the Student Dress Code.

