# Student Dress Code Policy and Procedures 

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## 1. Our values

Yeronga State High School is committed to fostering a school environment that is supportive, respectful, consistent with human rights, and provides all students with opportunities to engage in quality learning.

## 2. Purpose

The Yeronga State High School Parents and Citizens' Association endorses the Student Dress Code as a standard that promotes the objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) to assist in the provision of a high-quality education that supports students to reach their potential and develop to become responsible members of the community.

The student dress code is:

- developed in consultation with the school community
- consistent with health and safety considerations
- considerate of affordability, functionality and durability of uniform items
- inclusive and provides a range of options for all students, regardless of gender and religion
- aligned to relevant legislation.

Yeronga State High School aspires to be a learning community founded on values of Quality, Harmony and Sustainability. These values underpin the expectations of the student dress code and encourage students to reflect on how they can be the best version of themselves. A Yeronga student has respect for self and others, and represents our school with pride on all occasions.

## 3. Scope

The Yeronga State High School student dress code provides clear expectations of acceptable dress, including headwear and other aspects of personal presentation. It applies to all students when they attend school, travel to and from school, and represent the school out of school hours.

There are multiple range of uniforms available:

- Formal to be worn on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
- Sport for Junior Secondary is to be worn on Wednesday and may also be worn on Friday. Sport for Senior Secondary may be worn on Wednesday and/or Friday. Students who have HPE class in period 4, are able to wear Sports uniform home.

See Section 10. Uniform Items and refer to the Yeronga State High School, Lheiform Catalogue

## 4. Affordability

Yeronga State High School promotes a low cost uniform options for students and families to purchase designed to match school colours with our school emblem. Other non-school emblem items, for example formal shorts, formal trousers and formal skirts are also available for purchase. Refer to Yeronga State High School Uniform Catalogue.
Where financial difficulties prevent the purchase or replacement of uniform items, parents/carers are encouraged to contact the relevant year level Deputy Principal who will provide support to ensure all students can access correct uniform requirements.

From time to time, a student may not be able to wear the correct uniform. Parents/carers are required to contact the relevant Year Level Coordinator or Deputy Principal with a note, student planner, email or phone to advise the reason why their student is not able to wear the correct uniform on the correct day.

Parents are able to advise our Year Coordinators via email using: Uniforms@yerongashs.eq.edu.au (and reference, Student Name, Year Level, uniform explanation).

Arrangements will be negotiated to enable the student to continue accessing and engaging in learning activities, via a temporary loan of a uniform item or temporary out-of-uniform pass, until a suitable replacement item can be acquired.

## 5. Inclusivity

In recognition of Yeronga State High School's diverse learning community, a number of uniform options are available. These include:

- Headwear - students are strongly encouraged to wear the school hat or cap when outside and / or exposed to the sun. Students are able to wear headwear related to their religious beliefs or religious activity.
- Leg / arm covering - students may wear arm coverings that are plain white without motifs and plain black tights under their formal skirt or sport shorts.
- Sportswear - sports uniforms are available for all students and includes a tracksuit option.
- Formal uniform - a range of gender-neutral items are available to meet the needs of all students.

It is acceptable for students to mix and match items from the Formal uniform, for example wearing a white formal shirt with trousers, or skirt with grey formal knee-high socks. It is also acceptable for students to mix and match items of the Sports uniform. It is not acceptable to mix and match items from the Formal and Sports uniform, for example wearing a white formal shirt with sports shorts.

## 6. Personal presentation

Yeronga State High School's student dress code is aligned to meet the health and safety, and other legislative standards. These expectations include:

- Long and dangling earrings are identified as a health and safety risk are not permitted. However, students are able to wear simple studs and sleepers. Visible facial piercings, other than a small nose stud, is not permitted. No other visible facial piercings are permitted due to workplace health and safety concerns.
- Teachers of practical subjects may require that any accessories and jewellery be removed for that class to maintain compliance with workplace health and safety standards. Jewellery that does not meet these expectations must be removed. Students are responsible for the safekeeping of their removed jewellery.
- A simple black belt should be worn with formal shorts. A studded or sharp item made from metal or other materials affixed to belts, jewellery or accessories are not permissible as they are a workplace health and safety risk for students.
- Hair should be neat and presentable. In practical classes, hair may be asked to be tied back to ensure student safety and compliance with workplace health and safety requirements.
- Makeup should be subtle; extreme makeup, inclusive of very pronounced eyeliner, bright coloured lipstick and eyeshadow is not permissible. To maintain suitable standards of safety in the workplace students should not have excess long nails that may impact upon a student's ability to perform a task safely.
- Free-dress days are permitted and approved by the Principal with the same expectations required, that is, clothing should be sun-safe and aligned with workplace health and safety requirements.
- Students are required to wear the school hat and apply sunscreen when participating in Health and Physical Education and sport activities outdoors to comply with the expectations identified in Yeronga's Sun Safe Policy.


## Appendix (i) Non-Uniform Free Dress Day Dress Code Procedure.

## 7. Compliance

The Yeronga State High School student dress code meets a broad range of individual and community needs. It enhances our community's perceptions of our school as a learning environment of choice for young people seeking quality pathways to success and provides students the opportunity to reflect their pride in self, others and our school.

Parents/carers and students commit to supporting the dress code as part of the enrolment agreement. The school acknowledges the support from families to encourage students to comply with the dress code and work with the school to resolve instances of non-compliance. The dress code is aligned to the Yeronga State High School Student Code of Conduct and incidents of noncompliance will be managed using strategies to support positive student behaviour.

## 8. More information and resources

The following resources contain additional information:

- Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (QuId)
- Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Old)
- Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Ch)
- Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (GId)


## 9. Endorsement

Principal


Timothy Maraud Principal

P\&C Association President


Jenny Johansen P\&C President:

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Review date:
Appendix (i) Non-Uniform Free Dress Day Dress Code Policy and Procedure

## 10. Uniform Items

The following school uniform items are available from the Uniform Shop. Please refer to the Yeronga State High School Uniform Catalogue.

Junior Secondary Year 7-9

## Senior Secondary Year 10-12

## Formal

White short / long sleeve formal shirt with school emblem
School green tie - optional
Black short / long skirt
Black shorts / black belt
Black long pants / black belt
Black covered leather shoes - low cut that sit under the ankle. These can be an all-purpose shoe that students can also wear for sport, however the shoes must have a non-marking sole to support safety of student when they use the indoor court facilities.
White YSHS school socks
Grey formal knee-high school socks
Black V neck fleece jumper with school emblem
Black V neck woollen jumper with school emblem

Black V neck sleeveless vest with school emblem

Black/teal track jacket with school emblem
Black blazer with school emblem
Black cap / house colour reversible bucket hat with school emblem

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School black tie - compulsory
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## Sport

Black sports shorts with school emblem
Black short / long sleeve sport polo with school emblem
White socks / school football socks (for football players only)
Black sport track pant / track jacket with school emblem
Sports shoes with non-marking soles to support safety of student when they use the indoor court facilities

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Sports shoes with non-marking soles to support safety of student when they use the indoor court facilities

## Senior trade students Year 11/12

Leather steel-cap shoes or boots for practical classes
Long-sleeve high-visibility trade shirt (landscaping students only / available from uniform shop)

Personal presentation standards to comply with Section 6 requirements and Appendix (i) Non-uniform Free Dress Day Dress Code Policy and Procedure

## 1. Scope

Free-dress days may be approved by the Principal for designated days throughout the school year and these days will usually support a theme, for example Harmony Day. Students are expected to wear clothing that is clean, sun safe and appropriate for school wear.

## 2. Guidelines

The following guidelines align to the Education Department's requirements around clothing that meets health, safety and wellbeing standards. This applies to attire for after school classes, sports and other school events. The guidelines support the purpose and requirements of the Yeronga State High School Student Dress Code Procedure and Student Code of Conduct.

| $\checkmark$ ACCEPTABLE | $\times$ NOT ACCEPTABLE |
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| Clothing that is clean, sun safe and <br> appropriate for school wear and compliant <br> with work place health and safety <br> requirements | Frayed or torn clothing |
|  | Clothing with inappropriate, explicit <br> language / images / emblems |
|  | Low cut, strapless, halter neck, tank, tube <br> dresses or tops and midriff tops |
| Mid-thigh or longer length shorts, skirts, <br> dresses, pants, sports leggings | Very short shorts, skirts, dresses, sports <br> leggings |
| Closed-in flat soled shoes | Sandals, heeled shoes, thongs, slides |
| See Section 6 - Personal Presentation of <br> Yeronga State High School Student Dress Code <br> Procedure | Excessive and/or large jewellery and / or makeup |

## 3. Parents/carers support

Parents/carers are expected to support the school to ensure compliance with these guidelines before a student arrives at school on a free-dress day or for a school event.

## 4. Compliance

The dress code is aligned to the Yeronga State High School Student Code of Conduct and incidents of non-compliance will be managed using strategies to support positive behaviour, including:

- The school will contact the parent/carer to request a change of clothes be brought to school
- If parent/carer are unable to provide a change of clothes, students will be provided a loan of the school uniform to change into
- The student may be supervised outside of the classroom setting until appropriate and compliant clothes can be obtained.

