



Mount Gravatt State School

Student Uniform and Dress Code

Mount Gravatt State School community supports and approves of the wearing the school's uniform by our students from Prep to Year 6. This code has been endorsed by the school's Parents and Citizens' Association. Students are expected to always wear correct school uniform. A child readily identifies with their school and establishes a school identity in the local community. The adoption of a Student Dress Code is established under Sections 360-363 *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld)*.

Rationale

The uniform exemplifies students' pride in being part of the Mount Gravatt State School (MGSS) community. There is a belief that having all students wear a school uniform helps create a sense of belonging and good school ethos (culture and spirit). By showing that we expect high standards with our uniform, expectations are raised, and students respond with better behaviour, self-esteem, work ethic and student learning. The dress code involves maintaining appropriate dress standards and wearing the school uniform with pride. This includes when:

- attending or representing the school
- participating in school excursions and field trips
- travelling to and from school
- engaging in school activities out of school hours

As a community, we each have a responsibility to uphold our Student Uniform and Dress Code in the following ways:

- **Students:** will wear the school uniform respectfully.
- **Parents/carers:** will ensure students wear the correct uniform each day.
- **School staff:** will encourage and expect students to follow the dress code each day.

The design of our school uniform focuses on practicality, sun safety, climate, comfort, modesty, cost and social equity. At MGSS there are two main uniforms; referred to as the **Formal Uniform** and the **Everyday Uniform**.

Students can choose to wear either the Formal or Everyday Uniform on any day of the week excluding the below:

- The Formal Uniform is to be worn every Wednesday for assembly, formal occasions, excursions and school photographs. Also, at the discretion of the School Principal for occasions with prior notice provided.
- The Everyday Uniform is required to be worn on days students have Physical Education.

Formal Uniform

The Formal uniform consists of:

- Formal shirt – boys and girls
- Plain black shorts* or long pants
- Black school hat
- Short white socks
- Plain black school shoes/joggers or sneakers



Everyday Uniform

The Everyday uniform consists of:

- Mount Gravatt State School logo Polo shirt (as illustrated) or MGSS Year 6 Senior Shirt.
- Plain black shorts* or long pants
- Black school hat
- Short white socks
- Plain black school shoes/joggers or sneakers



Winter Uniform

In addition to the above uniforms, the additional items can be worn for warmth.

- MGSS embroidered jackets
- Plain black tracksuit pants
- Plain black jumpers
- Black stockings worn under shorts*



****The word “shorts” includes skorts, culottes and mid-length shorts***

Optional - House Uniform

To be worn on special event days only (approximately 3 days per year). For example, Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals.

Dhagun Green Shirt

Kaggur Red Shirt

Warril Blue Shirt

Mount Gravatt State School has a “NO HAT, NO PLAY” policy. A bucket hat or wide brim hat is required if children are going to be outside playing or working. **Caps and visors are not permitted at school.**

All items should be clearly marked with the student’s name for ease of identification.

Required Uniform pieces available for purchase from the Uniform Shop



Formal Shirt



Formal Blouse



Unisex Polo Shirt



Wide Brim Hat



Winter Jacket (optional)

Available for purchase at department store or shoe shop



Examples of suitable Black Shoes or joggers

Grooming/Hair

- All hair that falls over the collar should be tied back to help minimize the spread of head lice. Hair accessories yellow/black ribbons, scrunchies or clips are acceptable.
- Natural hair colouring only. No coloured dye or spray, or extreme hairstyles (incl. tracks) are permitted.

Jewellery

The only jewellery permitted to be worn with the uniform is:

- Watch
- Earrings – small stud or sleepers only (one per ear to prevent ears being injured).
- Medical alert bracelet/necklace. Medical, cultural or religious necklaces are permitted but must be concealed beneath the shirt and not visible. *Please note that these necklaces may need to be removed to enable participation in practical activities and sport as per DoE guidelines.*

Makeup/Cosmetics

- Makeup is not a part of the school uniform and must not be worn. This includes eye makeup, blusher, foundation, mascara, eyeliner.
- Fingernails must be natural (no fake nails) and free from polish.
- Temporary tattoos must be covered by school uniform or removed prior to attending school.

Head-Dress

- Hijab/head dress is acceptable in colours appropriate for the school uniform (plain black, gold or white). Students may also wear long pants (black) instead of shorts*.

Other clothing

- Leggings or bike pants worn as pants are not acceptable. They may be worn under shorts* if chosen.

Shoes

- Appropriate footwear must be always worn. Plain black flat, lace up or Velcro shoes must be worn. Laces must be tied. Boots and shoes with platform soles are not acceptable. Sandals and open shoes are not acceptable for health and safety.

Infringement of Student Uniform and Dress Code

Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children comply with the dress code before they leave for school each day. Parents who send their children to school wearing clothes contrary to the dress code may be contacted and requested to collect their child or bring a change of clothes. Students not complying with other aspects of the dress code will be asked to rectify this by removing inappropriate items. Students will not be permitted to represent the school in any official capacity if they are not in the appropriate school uniform.

The school will maintain a bank of uniform items for loan or donation to students who present without full uniform and do not have an exemption, as well as for those students whose families are unable to provide the uniform due to significant financial disadvantage or transience.

Exemptions - An exemption from wearing the full school uniform may be granted in cases of genuine conscientious objection, e.g. bona fide religious, cultural or medical reasons. In such cases, the parent or caregiver is to apply in writing to the Principal for exemption, stating the reasons and providing proof of reasons.

Questions and communication

If you have any questions about the Student Uniform and Dress Code, please contact the office by email admin@mtgravattss.eq.edu.au