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PURPOSE

This Protocol outlines the expectations and responsibilities regarding wearing the correct College approved St Patrick's College uniform.

PROCEDURE

This *Protocol* aims to ensure all College students show their belonging and loyalty to their school community by correctly wearing the College and Physical Education uniforms and with pride. High standards of uniform wear and grooming make an important statement to the wider community about the College and our commitment to proudly representing ourselves.

Expectations

A diverse range of opportunities is offered to St Patrick's College students. Therefore, there are expectations for the correct adherence to wearing College, Physical Education and co-curricular uniforms, as follows:



GIRLS COLLEGE UNIFORM

Summer (worn in Terms 1 and 4, with a transition period for changing from the summer to the winter uniform from April 1 until the end of Term 1.)

- College bottle green blazer with crest
 - College bottle green V-neck jumper or vest (optional)
 - Years 7-11: College green and gold check dress, worn with College lemon socks, folded over at the ankle
 - Year 12: College green and gold check dress, worn with College white socks, folded over at the ankle
- OR**
- Years 7-11: College lemon short sleeve blouse with peaked collar, untucked, worn with College grey shorts and College lemon socks, folded over the ankle
 - Year 12 (only): College white short sleeve blouse with peaked collar, untucked, worn with College grey shorts and College white socks folded over the ankle
- Black plain, fully enclosed, polishable leather lace up shoes with no buckles

Winter (worn in Terms 2 and 3, with a transition period for changing from the winter to the summer uniform from September 1 until the end of Term 3.)

- College bottle green blazer with crest
 - College bottle green V-neck jumper or vest (optional)
 - College bottle green tie
 - Years 7-11: College lemon long sleeve blouse with peaked collar, buttoned to the neck, with College grey shorts **or** grey trousers and worn with College white socks, folded over the ankle
 - Year 12 (only): College white long sleeve blouse with peaked collar, buttoned to the neck, with College grey shorts **or** grey trousers, worn with College white socks, folded over the ankle
- OR**
- Years 7-11: College lemon long sleeve blouse with peaked collar, buttoned to the neck with College green and gold plaid skirt, worn with College fawn tights **or** College lemon socks, folded over the ankle
 - Year 12 (only): College white long sleeve blouse with peaked collar, buttoned to the neck with College green and gold plaid skirt, worn with College fawn tights **or** College white socks, folded over the ankle
- Plain black leather or similar material belt (optional)
 - Black plain, fully enclosed, polishable leather lace-up shoes with no buckles

BOYS COLLEGE UNIFORM

Summer (worn in Terms 1 and 4, with a transition period for changing from the summer to the winter uniform from April 1 until the end of Term 1.)

- College bottle green blazer with crest
- Years 7-11: College crested green and white pinstripe, short sleeve shirt, worn untucked with College grey shorts and College long grey socks, worn to under the knee **or** College grey trousers with College short grey socks
- Year 12 (only): College crested white, short sleeve shirt, worn untucked with College grey shorts and College long grey socks, worn to under the knee **or** College grey trousers with College short grey socks
- Plain black leather or similar material belt (optional)
- Black plain, fully enclosed, polishable leather lace up or non lace-up shoes with no buckles

Winter (worn in Terms 2 and 3, with a transition period for changing from the winter to the summer uniform from September 1 until the end of Term 3.)

- College bottle green blazer with crest
- College bottle green V-neck jumper or vest (optional)
- College green and gold striped tie
- Years 7-11: College green and white pinstripe, long sleeve shirt, worn tucked in, buttoned to the neck with College grey shorts and College long grey socks, worn to under the knee **or** College grey trousers with College short grey socks
- Year 12 (only): College white, long sleeve shirt, worn tucked in, buttoned to the neck with College grey shorts and College long grey socks, worn to under the knee **or** College grey trousers with College short grey socks
- Plain black leather or similar material belt (optional)
- Black plain, fully enclosed, polishable leather lace-up or non-lace-up shoes with no buckles

Unisex Physical Education Uniform

- College cap
- College sports softshell jacket (optional)
- College hooded sports top (optional)
- College House coloured polo top or Croagh Patrick polo (Year 9 only)
- College bottle green track pants with gold stripe **OR**
- College PE bottle green sport shorts
- Short, white socks or College white and green sports socks
- Standard lace-up sport shoes or cross trainers. Casual footwear, slip-ons or any shoes without adequate support are not permitted

College Co-curricular Sports Uniform

The required and optional items for each of the College's co-curricular sports are outlined in the College's Co-curricular Uniform Matrix. For parents, this document is located on the College website under Enrolments/Uniform.

College Uniform Store

Uniform items are available from the St Patrick's College Uniform Store.

Parents/Guardians should refer to the College website, Schoolbox or newsletter for Uniform Store locations, opening times and extended opening times during the school holidays.

Expectations

Students are to adhere to the following:

1. The correct College uniform is to be worn between home and school and on other occasions as required.
2. Year 7 and 8 and 10-12 students may only wear the Physical Education uniform to and from school on Thursdays. Year 9 students may only wear the Physical Education uniform to and from school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Additionally, the Physical Education uniform can be worn on other days (such as Carnivals and Reflection Days) when formally advised by the College.
3. Students are expected to be neatly and appropriately dressed at all times.
4. The College blazer is to be worn to and from the College unless otherwise directed, including to Tutor group every morning. Students are to wear their blazers to all formal assemblies and Masses at the College.
5. The optional Year 12 College rugby top is not to be worn during formal occasions such as St Patrick's Day Mass, Year 12 Graduation celebrations or other occasions as advised by staff.
6. Hair should be well groomed and neatly cut with no extremes of colour or style. Long hair (to collar length) must be tied completely back using either a black or green hair tie. Bottle green and/or gold (Years 7-11) or white ribbons (Year 12 only) may be used to tie hair back. Combs or clips that match the hair colour are acceptable.
7. Male students are expected to maintain a clean-shaven appearance. If a student arrives at school with facial hair, they will be asked to remove it under the guidance of staff and will be provided with the necessary tools.
8. Students are not to have tattoos that can be seen during the school day or when representing the College in extra-curricular activities. They must be covered up at all times.
9. All uniform items should be clearly and permanently marked with the student's full name on the inside.
10. Natural base foundation and natural eye makeup are permitted; however, heavy eye makeup, lipstick and nail polish must not be worn with the school uniform.

11. The following items of jewellery are permitted:
 - A simple wristwatch
 - One simple neck chain (worn under the clothing)
 - One plain, simple gold or silver bracelet
 - One plain, simple gold or silver ring
 - Earrings no greater than 8mm in diameter (maximum). Gold or silver sleepers or studs or diamante or pearl earrings only.
12. No more than two ear piercings per ear are permitted. Any facial piercing must not be worn to College. Students are permitted to wear non-visible retainers.
13. Skirt and dress length should be appropriate - on or slightly above the knee.
14. When UV levels are 3 or above (typically September to April in Tasmania), students are encouraged to wear a sun-safe hat, as issued by the College Uniform Store, when outside for more than a few minutes. All uniform expectations outlined in this Protocol are to be enacted by students considering the College's SunSmart Protocol.
15. The College green backpack is the only acceptable bag for daily use. The College sports bag may be used in addition to the backpack for sports gear but must be stored in the correct location. The sports bag is not to be used instead of the College backpack. Workplace Health and Safety practices dictate that bags are not to be carried to class or while students are at recess or lunch; these must be stored in the allocated lockers or bag racks.
16. When raining, students are permitted to wear a plain raincoat with their formal uniform over the College blazer to and from school. As this is a wet weather garment only, it is not to be worn inside for any reason during the school day and must be removed and placed in the student's locker when they arrive at the College.
17. When raining, students are permitted to wear the sports softshell jacket with their formal uniform to and from College. However, the jacket is not allowed to be worn for any reason during the school day and must be removed and placed in the student's locker when they arrive at the College. Students need to ensure they bring their blazers to school on these days.
18. The College hooded sports top is only permitted to be worn with PE Uniform and is not to be worn with the formal College uniform.
19. When a student is attired in the incorrect uniform and/or is in breach of any section of this Protocol, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to provide the student with a note, which must explain both the reason and duration for the uniform infringement. The student must present this note to their Tutor teacher, and if required, the student may be loaned uniform items by being sent to the relevant Head of School office.

Consequences

The following section outlines instances when a student may be in breach of the *Uniform Protocol* and how this is managed.

1. If the student is not attired correctly in their uniform, the Tutor teacher will record the specific uniform infringement in the Schoolbox Attendance Module. As per expectation #18 above, the student must present a note from their parent/guardian explaining the reason and duration for the uniform infringement.
2. If a student presents to Tutor group in an incorrect uniform three times in a term without a note from their parent/guardian, they will be issued a Tuesday After School Detention.
3. If the student continues to breach the Protocol, detentions and other consequences will be issued, and contact home will be required.

All College staff members are empowered to uphold the expectations and integrity of this Protocol. When a staff member questions a student regarding the incorrect wearing of their uniform, full cooperation from the student is expected.

Any student who displays defiant behaviour regarding complying with staff instruction under the Protocol will be in breach of the Uniform Protocol and fail to meet the College's behavioural expectations. Such defiance will be dealt with seriously.

Implementation

The implementation of this Protocol is the responsibility of all members of the College community.

Parents/guardians are responsible for providing the correct uniform items for students to wear. It is the responsibility of the student to wear their uniform correctly. Collectively, students, parents/guardians and staff are responsible for upholding and maintaining the expectations and integrity of the Uniform Protocol.

The College Leadership team guides the ongoing development and evolution of the College uniform and the *Uniform Protocol* in collaboration with the students, parents/guardians and staff of the St Patrick's College community.