



# Rosehill Secondary College

## Student Dress Code

### Help for non-English Speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the College Administration.

### 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Rosehill Secondary College's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Rosehill Secondary College's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Rosehill Secondary College's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

### 2. SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

### 3. UNIFORM & APPEARANCE

Rosehill Secondary College's uniform is compulsory and must be always worn in a correct and tidy manner. Parents are expected to support our policy in relation to College Uniform as outlined below:

Summer	Winter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• College blue jumper or VCE jumper</li><li>• College blue striped dress (<i>no more than 7cm below the knee</i>)</li><li>• College grey shorts</li><li>• College white short-sleeved shirt</li><li>• College blue jacket with logo or VCE jacket</li><li>• White socks (no logos)</li><li>• Plain all-black leather shoes with laces or buckles (no white or coloured soles and no logos or markings)</li><li>• College blazer (optional)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• College blue jumper or VCE jumper</li><li>• College skirt</li><li>• College grey shorts/trousers</li><li>• College white long-sleeved shirt</li><li>• College blue jacket with logo or VCE jacket</li><li>• White socks (no logos) or navy-blue tights</li><li>• Plain black or navy scarf</li><li>• Plain all-black leather shoes with laces or buckles (no white or coloured soles and no logos or markings)</li><li>• College blazer (optional)</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A 'changeover' period is granted during the first three weeks of Term 2, and the first three weeks of Term 4, where students may wear either the winter or summer uniforms according to the weather. However, students are not permitted to 'mix and match' elements of both uniforms, e.g. wear a summer dress with tights.</li><li>• Students are permitted to wear a plain, short-sleeved white t-shirt under the shirt or dress for extra warmth; the sleeves of this must not protrude below the sleeves of the shirt/dress.</li><li>• Students must wear the college shirt under the jumper.</li></ul>	

## Uniform List



Navy shell jacket with embroidery



V Neck Navy College jumper (Wool Blend or Poly/Cotton Blend) with white logo



Long sleeve shirt with embroidery



Long sleeve white blouse with embroidery



College design pleated skirt



College style grey trousers



Grey slim fit trousers with adjustable waist



Navy Blazer with embroidery (optional)



College dress



Grey shorts



Grey slim fit shorts with adjustable waist



Short sleeve shirt with embroidery



Short sleeve white blouse with embroidery



Navy blue College sports polo shirt with white logo



Navy blue College track pants with logo



Navy blue College shorts with white logo



Sport Socks (no logos)



Navy Cap



Black Belt



White Socks (ankle socks or knee high, no logos or markings)



Navy tights



RSC Darky Navy Scarf or plain black scarf

## School Shoes

All school shoes should be plain all-black, leather, shoes with laces or buckles (no white or coloured soles, logos or markings)

**Rosehill** FOOTWEAR REQUIREMENTS  
ARE YOU WEARING THE RIGHT SHOES?

Correct shoes: All-black leather shoes with laces or buckles.

Incorrect shoes: Shoes with logos, white soles, or non-leather materials.

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**THREE SIMPLE RULES FOR BUYING SCHOOL SHOES**

1. ARE THE SHOES **ALL BLACK**
2. ARE THE SHOES **ALL LEATHER OR SUEDE**
3. ARE THE SHOES **BELOW THE ANKLE**

### **PE & Sport Uniform**

Students are not permitted to mix the College and PE uniforms

- College polo shirt
- Blue College sports shorts
- Blue College track pants with school logo
- Runners
- White socks

All students are required to change from normal school uniform to sports uniform when they have PE. All students must wear normal school uniform to and from school.

### **Jewellery**

No jewellery apart from watches may be worn. Small, discreet religious icons may be worn under clothing.

### **Piercing**

Students with pierced ears may only wear small sleepers or studs. Large and multi-coloured earrings are not permitted. Visible facial piercings must be discreet and comply with safety standards to minimise potential injury.

### **Hair**

The appearance of our students in the community is important and extreme haircuts and hair colour are not permitted.

### **Makeup and Nail Polish**

Makeup and nail polish, if worn, must be natural and discreet. Nails should be kept at a reasonable and safe length. Students may be required to remove nail polish or trim nails for Technology practical classes.

### **Hats and Caps**

Sun hats and caps are not to be worn inside the College buildings and may only be worn outside during Terms 1 and 4. Hats must be a black/navy baseball design (no logos) or Rosehill Secondary College bucket hat. Beanies are not permitted. Religious headscarves, hijabs or turbans should be plain black, navy blue or white.

### **Tattoos**

Tattoos are prohibited as part of the school uniform policy. While students may legally obtain a tattoo once they turn 18, they are required to cover any visible tattoos while wearing the school uniform and when on school grounds.

### **General Appearance**

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Frayed or torn uniform is not permitted
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are white and completely hidden
- Additional clothing such as hoodies, windcheaters and coloured t-shirts worn under the white shirt are not permitted

### **Health and Safety**

For student safety, students are encouraged to trim their nails and tie their hair back when participating in practical classes such as Food Technology, Product Design & Technology, Systems Engineering, Art or Physical Education.

## **4. PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS**

Rosehill Secondary College uniforms are available from: Lowes, Westfield Shopping Centre, Airport West Telephone: 9330 1943

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the [Help with school costs and fees](#) page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government. If your child is starting prep or Year 7 and is eligible to receive support via the [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund](#), you may be eligible to access the Affordable School Uniform (ASU) program.

Please contact the College Administration to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

## **5. IMPLEMENTATION**

Rosehill Secondary College will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and school diary. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

### **Procedures for Out of Uniform**

Students are required to provide a note in the diary from a parent or guardian if they are out of uniform. This note should clearly state the reason, the part of the uniform which is incorrect and the length of time that the student will be in the incorrect uniform.

Students are expected to replace incorrect parts of the uniform with appropriate clothing as close as possible in colour and style to that of the missing item.

Notes will cover students for a limited amount of time only as deemed appropriate by Coordinators. Students should present this note to the Attendance officer or relevant teacher as soon as possible after arriving at school in the morning for approval and will be issued with a short-term Pass.

- Classroom teachers should check the uniform at the beginning of each class and regularly throughout the day.
- If the student is out of uniform, they will be asked to produce a uniform pass or be sent to the Sub School or General Office to collect one. Students are encouraged to collect a uniform pass before 9:00 AM.
- The student will be given a detention if found to be in the incorrect uniform without a note from home. A record of this will be attached to the student's Compass profile.

#### **Repeat Offenders**

For persistent offenders, or if the uniform is deemed inappropriate, parents/guardians will be contacted, and the student may be sent home to get changed or excluded from classes.

### **6. EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE**

We acknowledge that there might be instances where the enforcement of this dress code could impact students differently.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular financial hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

### **7. CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE**

Rosehill Secondary College welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*.

### **8. EVALUATION**

This policy will be reviewed and approved annually.

### **9. COMMUNICATION**

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website (or insert other online parent/carer/student communication method)
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed in student forums
- Discussed at staff briefings/meetings as required
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES:**

- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

#### **POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

Policy last reviewed	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025
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