

Student Dress Code

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Beaumaris 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 Beaumaris 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, encourage students to develop pride in their appearance and reflect our shared CORE values
- support Beaumaris 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.

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.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Beaumaris Secondary College's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

- The wearing of the college uniform is **compulsory** for all students.
- Beaumaris Secondary College has a **transeasonal** uniform. Students may wear either their winter or summer uniform, or a combination of both, throughout the year.
- Uniforms must be clean, tidy in appearance and in good repair.
- Only items of clothing with the college logo will be deemed the correct and acceptable school uniform, except for waist-down items, which may be generic/unbranded but must match the colour, style and fit of the equivalent Beaumaris Secondary College uniform items.
- Students may wear unbranded, charcoal grey trackpants that match the style and fit of the Beaumaris Secondary College trackpants. **Visible branding and baggy styles of trackpants are not permitted.**
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.
- **School shoes** must be plain black leather lace-up shoes with black laces (no Velcro, no visible branding) that are capable of being polished. Boots and runners are not permitted.
- Only the official **BSC scarf** with the college logo is permitted.
- **Dark grey tights** are only to be worn with the academic skirt.

- Jewellery and body decoration are not permitted, with the exception of a wristwatch and plain single studs or sleepers in the ears. Covering additional ear piercings or tongue piercings with tape or clear studs is not permitted.
- Facial piercings are not permitted, with the exception of a single small nose stud.
- Hair colour must be natural-looking and not extreme. Extreme hairstyles and/or trends are not permitted. The Principal will have the final decision regarding extreme hairstyles.
- Facial hair must be clean, neat and trimmed.
- Make-up is not permitted.
- Clear nail polish only may be worn. Nail extensions and artificial nails are not permitted.
- Hair ribbons, ties or clasps must be consistent with the college colours.

Blazer

The blazer is to be worn to and from school as the outer garment, with the exception on days of excessive heat. The blazer is also required for:

- School photos
- Year Level Assemblies
- Selected excursions
- Presentation Night
- Occasions when representing the college.

Sport

On days when a student has a Healthy Lifestyles practical or Sport Education session, students are permitted to wear their sport uniform for the entirety of the school day.

Students will only be permitted to represent Beaumaris Secondary College in interschool sporting fixtures while wearing full Beaumaris Secondary College Physical Education attire.

Students are expected to be SunSmart. The wearing of the SunSmart hat is strongly encouraged for all outdoor activities. During Healthy Lifestyles and Sport Education sessions, students also have the option of wearing the BSC baseball cap.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from Bob Stewart in Mentone, or parents may order directly from the Bob Stewart website: <https://bobstewart.com.au/school/beaumaris-secondary-college>

Second-hand uniforms (and textbooks) can be purchased and sold via the Sustainable School Shop at <https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/>

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 Principal or Business Manager to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

LABELLING

Uniform items should be clearly marked with the student's name.

IMPLEMENTATION

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

If a student is not in full school uniform, the college reserves the right to:

- provide the student with uniform item(s) to be worn during school hours
- contact the student's parent/carer and request that the correct uniform be provided
- send the student home to change into the appropriate school uniform following contact with their parent/carer.

If, for a valid reason, the correct uniform cannot be worn, an email or explanatory note signed and dated by the parent/carer must be provided to the student's GOAL Mentor, who will document this in Compass Chronicle.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code, a **Uniform Indiscretion** will be recorded as a Compass Chronicle, providing a record of the breach for the student and their parent/guardian.

If a student receives **three Uniform Indiscretions**, they will be required to complete a **Civics Duty**. If non-compliance with the Student Dress Code continues, the school will work with the student and their family to support compliance, and further follow-up may be required.

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 in writing 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.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Beaumaris 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 *Complaints Policy*, available on our website.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Beaumaris Secondary College's Complaints Policy
- Beaumaris Secondary College's Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- 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	August 2026
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APPENDIX A: BEAUMARIS SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPULSORY UNIFORM ITEMS

Students may wear either their winter or summer uniform, or a combination of both, throughout the year.

Beaumaris Secondary College's compulsory school uniform items are as follows:

ACADEMIC UNIFORM

Winter – Skirt Option	Winter – Trousers/Shorts Option
Blazer	Blazer
Long-sleeved shirt with college logo	Long-sleeved shirt with college logo
Jumper	Jumper
Skirt	Trousers or shorts
Grey above-ankle socks or dark grey tights	Grey above-ankle socks
Plain black leather lace-up school shoes with black laces	Plain black leather lace-up school shoes with black laces

Summer – Dress Option	Summer – Shorts Option
Blazer	Blazer
Summer dress	Short-sleeved shirt with college logo
Plain black leather lace-up school shoes	Shorts
	Plain black leather lace-up school shoes with black laces

SPORTS UNIFORM

- Sports top
- Shorts or trackpants
- Soft shell jacket
- White sports socks
- Running shoes
- SunSmart hat
- BSC baseball cap
- Long-sleeved sports top

SCHOOL BAG

Students are required to use the official college school bag displaying the college logo.