



# MERCEDES COLLEGE

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## Uniform Policy

The College believes that the school uniform is an important part of the school's identity, and that students should wear it with pride and distinction.

The following policy statements apply.

- All students of Mercedes College are required to wear the approved school uniform to school and school events
- All students of Mercedes College are expected to show pride in themselves and their school by meeting requirements relating to grooming and presentation.

Parents are asked to support the College Uniform Policy by ensuring that their child (children) has the required uniform, and that they wear the uniform neatly and correctly. The Mercedes College Uniform Policy is endorsed by the College Council and enforced by the Principal, Heads of School and teaching staff.

Agreement to adhere to the College Uniform Policy is a condition of enrolment.

### Grooming and Presentation

Students are expected to present themselves in their school uniform in a neat, smart and well-groomed way. Clothing is to be clean, well pressed and in a good state of repair.

The following guidelines are set.

#### Blazer

- The blazer is a compulsory garment for formal occasions Terms 1-4
- The blazer is a compulsory garment in Terms 2 and 3 and must be worn to and from the College no matter the transport. The jumper may only be worn as an outer garment once inside the College.

#### Winter Skirt and Summer Dress

The length of the Winter skirt and Summer dress is required to be on or below the knee.

#### Boys' Shirts

Shirts worn by boys must be tucked in unless it is a banded shirt.

#### Hair

In order to keep hair neat and tidy the following will apply.

- Hair is to be natural in colour and style
- Hair is to be well groomed and off the face
- Hair is to be tied back if longer than shoulder length
- Only College approved hair ribbons may be worn. College green, navy or gold ribbons are available from The College Shop. Hair elastic and clips are to be College green or hair colour. Headbands are to be College green or College fabric only.

- Boys' hair is to be off the collar and no shorter than a No. 2 cut
- Hair products, such as gel, are only to be used to assist with natural styling
- Boys need to be clean shaven
- Boys' side burns cannot be lower than the ear lobe.

### **Jewellery**

- Watches are to be conservative in both colour and style
- Girls' earrings are to be small in size (one in each lobe only) in either plain gold, silver or white pearl studs, gold or silver sleepers
- It is not permissible for boys to wear earrings
- A fine gold or silver chain may be worn, but only if it carries a small religious symbol
- No other jewellery is permitted, except that Year 12 students may wear one plain ring.

### **Make-up and Nail Polish**

Students are not permitted to wear make-up with the exception of Senior Students who may wear makeup that is understated and natural in colour.

Nails are to be kept short for hygiene and safety reasons. Nail polish may not be worn to school.