# **School Uniform**

Uniform Requirements 2023 will be published to parents, carers and students regularly on social media, in newsletters and in the student handbook.

RRHC logo Hemp polos can be purchased at Northern Rivers Tiles & Mosaics with all sale proceeds going to the school P & C.



Cultural Pride Uniform items are sourced through orders opened periodically through Team Spirit.



All stakeholders: students, staff, parents and carers play their part in ensuring that Richmond River High Campus students wear school uniform. Richmond River High P&C, in consultation with the school community, decided in 1999 that Richmond River High would be a uniform school. At this time a uniform policy, and uniform requirements, based on community feedback were established. Both the policy and requirements have since been refined with further community consultation. The wearing of school uniform is supported by the Department of Education. Richmond River High Campus expects students to wear school uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

If students are representing the school, they must be wearing school uniform. Students are encouraged to wear Richmond River High branded shirts, jumpers, pants and skirts. The school uniform worn should be appropriate to the occasion i.e. everyday, formal or sport. At all times students should present as neat, tidy and clean. Skirt and short length should always sit just above the knee. There will be occasions where alternative clothing is acceptable; such as sports carnivals when students wear their house colours and MuftiDays where casual or themed dress is allowed – as directed by the Principal.

Carers who need support with purchasing uniforms may approach the Principal, who will make any determination on uniform assistance.





### Junior School Uniform

- White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt
- RRHC Cultural Pride shirt
- Plain black mid-thigh length shorts or skirt, plain black long pants or black jeans (tights are not acceptable)
- Red or black Richmond River logo jacket
- RRHC Cultural Pride hoodie
- Plain black, grey or red jumper or cardigan

#### NB: BLUE denim clothing is NOT acceptable

### Senior School Uniform

- White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt
- White buttoned senior shirt (and tie on formal occasions)
- Plain black mid-thigh length shorts or skirt, plain black long pants or black jeans (tights are not acceptable)
- Red or black Richmond River jacket
- RRHC Cultural Pride hoodie
- Plain black, grey or red jumper or cardigan
- Years 11/12 designed school jumper or jacket

NB: BLUE denim clothing is NOT acceptable

### Sport Uniform Junior

- Red Richmond River logo polo shirt
- Plain black mid-thigh length shorts or black sport shorts (tights are not acceptable)

Special note: Students are encouraged to change their shirt for PE lessons and change back to regular school uniform for remaining lessons

#### Please note:

Torn and/or ripped clothing, tights, black T-shirts, blue denim jeans, singlets and/ or tank tops, midriff tops, transparent fabric, incorrect colours, stripes, large logos and/or slogans and shorty shorts are all unacceptable for school.

#### Important Note re footwear:

Work Health and Safety laws (2012) require all students working in a Technology practical classroom, Science labs and some CAPA classrooms to wear enclosed sturdy leather shoes. Students may not be able to participate in some activities in these practical classrooms if they are in canvas shoes.

### Shoes

Safe footwear is a Work Health and Safety requirement for many school activities. Department of Education policy states that thongs, open type sandals or shoes, canvas type shoes and joggers, shall not be worn in practical classes where there is a possibility of injury through spillage of hot liquids, metals, the dropping of heavy or sharp instruments, and tools,etc. While it is not possible to specify any one standard to meet all situations, shoes with stout sole and firm leather uppers are considered necessary. For this reason, non-leather joggers are not safe for classes where the above issue could occur. As a result, we require plain black leather shoes for all students at all times. Students are excluded from practical lessons if their shoes do not meet the requirements. The cooperation of parents is requested in ensuring that their children wear correct footwear.

Use the following images as a general guide. All shoes MUST be full leather, plain black shoes and should NOT extend over the ankle or have a platform. The leather must cover the whole foot for safety. Students are expected to wear black leather upper shoes.



### Joggers and runners for PDHPE and Sport

Shoes should be supportive of the feet during exercise. The whole of the upper foot must have a solid cover.



Incorrect sports shoes - Slip on sports shoes are not permitted. These include canvas shoes as they are not supportive or appropriate for sport and PDHPE.

### **Statement of Expectations**

#### A. Excursions:

- The teacher in charge of organising an excursion should discuss the suitable clothing to be worn by students when seeking approval from the Principal to run an excursion.
- Students will not be allowed to participate on a school excursion if they fail to wear the specified uniform.
- Students who are not allowed to go on an excursion due to failure to follow the above uniform procedures may not receive a refund if the excursion costs are not covered.

#### **B. Formal Assembly Awards:**

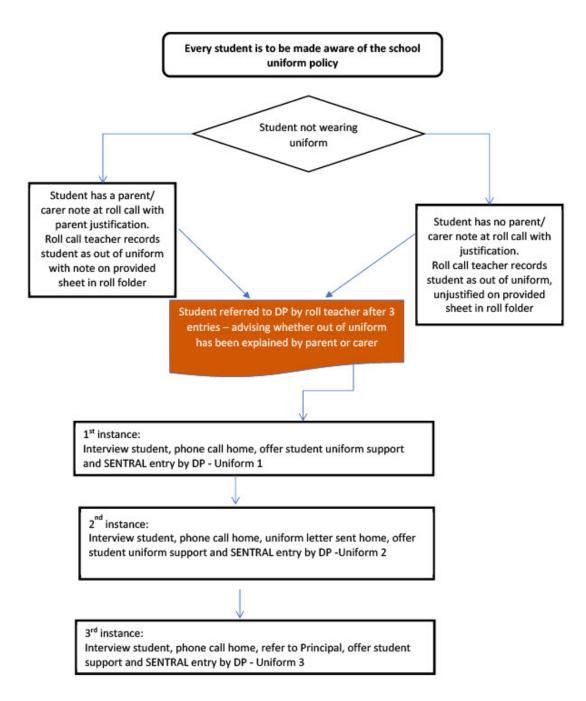
- Students to receive an award/certificate at a Formal Assembly must be wearing full school uniform.
- Students who fail to comply with this procedure will receive their recognition at another appropriate time.
- Students who wish to speak to the school at an Assembly or perform in front of an Assembly must be in uniform or ask another student dressed appropriately to take their place.

#### C. Student, Parent and Carer Responsibility:

- Students with the support of their parents and carers are expected to exercise their full responsibilities prior to school each day for wearing of the school uniform.
- Parents and carers should provide a written explanation when their student is out of uniform due to unforeseen reasons.
- In cases of financial hardship, parents and carers may apply for Student Assistance to help with the purchase of uniform items.

## **Uniform Procedures**

**RRHC Uniform Monitoring Flowchart** 



Note: Students wearing inappropriate and/or outrageous clothing in the opinion of staff e.g. offensive language/messages, unsuitable colour and/or unsuitable coverage will be asked to report directly to the Deputy Principals.

Students who are argumentative are to be sent directly to Deputy Principals.

Students out of uniform who arrive late are to be referred to the Deputy Principals.