

UNIFORM POLICY

AUSTIN COVE BAPTIST COLLEGE Policy Management

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Purpose

Austin Cove Baptist College has a uniform code which states that all students who attend the College will be required to wear the correct College uniform in a neat, clean and well-presented manner. All students are required to wear the uniform in a manner which is a credit to both the student and the College.

This uniform policy is seen as contributing to:

- i. Improving morale, community spirit and pride in the College.
- ii. Ensuring that students are safely and appropriately dressed for College activities.
- iii. Encouraging equity amongst students and therefore reducing rivalry.
- iv. Identifying non-College students/children who may be visiting the College campus.
- v. Fostering and enhancing the public image of the College.

The girls' summer dress and winter skirt should be a suitable length for wearing with the College jumper or the College blazer. Dress and skirt length should be no shorter than mid knee-cap. To ensure that the pleats hang correctly, skirts should not be rolled up at the waistband.

Primary Uniform

<p>Boys Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Navy College shorts - White College shirt with College crest. Shirt must be tucked in - Grey College push down socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - College slouch hat 	<p>Boys Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long grey College trousers - White College shirt with College crest. Shirt must be tucked in - Grey College push down socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - V-necked teal jumper - College slouch hat
<p>Girls Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - College dress with crest. Knee length - White College socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - College slouch hat. 	<p>Girls Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teal Colleges skirt. Knee length - White College shirt with crest - Black tights or white College socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - V-necked teal jumper - College slouch hat.
<p>Sports Uniform (Boys and Girls)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teal and blue polo shirt - Navy blue shorts with College crest - Tracksuit top – navy blue and teal - Tracksuit pants – navy with teal stripe - White College sports socks - Predominantly white joggers or gym shoes with minimal other colours. No fluorescent or bright colours (not Volleys, skate shoes or canvas casual shoes) - College slouch hat. 	

Swimming

Austin Cove Baptist College bathers are available for students from the Uniform Shop and College bathers are recommended for Year 4 to Year 6 as they participate in Swimming Carnivals in Term 1. In Primary it is not compulsory for students to wear College bathers; however, all bather colours will need to be in keeping with the College colours i.e. navy, green or black. Girls' bathers are to be one piece only.

Secondary: College bathers are compulsory for girls. Girls may wear the College sport shorts over their College bathers. Boys may wear the College bathers or choose to wear either their sports shorts or both their College bathers and shorts.

All students will need a towel and a waterproof swimming bag or the College Sports bag when they are participating in swimming activities through the College.

College bathers are compulsory for both boys and girls who represent the College in swimming competitions.

Accessories/Jewellery

No jewellery is allowed except for a watch; a cross; and a maximum of one pair of plain stud or small full circle piercing earrings in the lower lobe for girls. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings.

Visible body piercings are not tolerated. Clear/plastic studs in body piercings are not acceptable.

No student is to have any visible tattoos or body art.

Bags

The College back pack is compulsory. Bags must be kept in good condition with no graffiti.

Unsatisfactory bags will need to be replaced.

A College Sports bag is also available and is used by students to carry their sports uniform or swimming gear for Physical Education and other subjects that may require them to wear sports uniform.

A Book bag is also available and may be helpful for students to carry books and equipment between classes.

Hair Standards

At all times when the student is in College uniform, hair must appear tidy and well cared for.

Boys

- Hair is to be neat, clean and tidy.
- All hair must be styled conservatively. Extreme styles, gelled and coloured hair are not permitted.
- Hair should not be longer than collar length and no shorter than No. 1.
- Fringes must not be longer than eyebrow level, measured by combing hair forward.

Girls

- Hair is to be kept neat, clean, and tidy and appear well cared for at all times.
- Hair must be kept off the face at all times.
- Hair that is longer than collar length or that hangs in the face must be tied back and pinned.
- All hair must be styled conservatively and extreme or untidy styles are not permitted.
- Hair must be a natural colour. Unnatural colours, streaks, foils or tints are unacceptable.
- Hair elastic, clips and combs should be in plain natural colours.

- Scrunchies, hair bands and hair accessories of an acceptable colour (white, dark teal or navy) and style are available from the Uniform Shop. These are the only acceptable coloured hair accessories.
- Dress material, lace, pieces of fabric or large butterfly clips and flowers are not permitted.

Hats

It is compulsory for all students to wear their hat outside the classroom throughout the year. We strongly advise students to wear sunblock when they come to school. Sunblock will be available for outdoor activities at the College and during swimming and athletic competitions.

Non-Uniform/Free-Dress

At times during the College year, students participate in various fund-raising events including Free Dress days.

On these special days, students are allowed to wear free dress rather than the College Uniform. A gold coin donation is required from each student who chooses to wear free dress. The money will be collected during the morning at their classroom and will be donated to the charitable organisation nominated prior to the day.

The Free Dress Day regulations are outlined below.

- No short skirts or shorts.
- No inappropriate slogans on t-shirts.
- No make-up
- Normal College rules regarding hair will apply on the day.
- No midriff tops or see-through tops or dresses.
- Students are reminded that they will still require covered shoes for school.
- Students who have Physical Education, Fitness or any other lesson requiring the College Sports Uniform will need to bring their normal Sports Uniform and change at the appropriate time.
- Sports Uniform is not to be worn as Free Dress.

Students who are dressed inappropriately will be sent to Student Services and parents will be contacted to collect their child.

Shoes

College shoes must be black leather lace-ups with heels no higher than 20mm.

Shoes are to be kept polished and in good repair.

Sports shoes should be good quality, supportive joggers, cross trainers or sports shoes (**not** Vans, Volleys, skate shoes or canvas casual shoes).

Sunglasses

Students may wear sunglasses when outdoors but they are not permitted to wear sunglasses in classrooms or on their heads as decoration.

Uniform Shop

All items of the College uniform are available through the Uniform shop with the exception of shoes. Uniform Shop Opening Hours are available on the website. Fittings are by appointment only.

Secondary Uniform

<p>Boys Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grey College shorts - White college shirt with College crest - Shirt must be tucked in - Grey push down socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - Austin Cove Baptist College slouch hat/cap 	<p>Boys Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long grey College trousers - White College shirt with College crest. Shirt must be tucked in for winter - Grey push down socks - Black leather lace up shoes. Heels must not be higher than 20mm - V-necked navy blue jumper - College tie - College blazer (teal) - Austin Cove Baptist College slouch hat/cap
<p>Girls Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - College dress with crest - White College socks - Black leather lace up shoes (not flat lace-up ballet pumps). Heels must not be higher than 20mm. - Austin Cove Baptist College slouch hat/cap 	<p>Girls Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teal College skirt - White College blouse with crest. Blouse is left untucked - Black tights - Black leather lace up shoes (not flat lace-up ballet pumps). Heels must not be higher than 20mm - V-necked navy blue jumper - College scarf - College blazer (teal) - Austin Cove Baptist College slouch hat/cap
<p>Sports Uniform (Boys and Girls)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teal and blue polo shirt - Navy blue shorts with College crest - Tracksuit top – navy blue and teal - Tracksuit pants – navy with teal stripe - White College sports socks - Good quality, supportive joggers, cross trainers or sports shoes (not Vans, Volleys, skate shoes or canvas casual shoes) - Austin Cove Baptist College slouch hat/cap. 	

When travelling to and from the College, on school days, the correct College uniform must always be worn. This applies to students if travelling by car, public transport, walking or cycling and even when accompanied by parents. Students are not permitted to leave the College in clothes, other than the College uniform e.g. other sports clothes, work uniforms, unless permission has been gained from the Principal. This will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Sports uniform is acceptable

for after school sporting and extra-curricular activities which are associated with the College e.g. Circus; athletics training.

In the winter terms the blazer must be worn; in the summer terms, the blazer need not be worn apart from formal occasions or excursions as directed.

Jumpers should not be worn outside the College grounds as an outer garment in winter. Jumpers are not to be worn with the sports uniform and the tracksuit top should not be worn with the normal school uniform.

All items of the uniform are to be worn in the correct manner – shirts tucked in, shoe laces tied correctly and hats worn in the correct manner.

Accessories and Jewellery

No jewellery is allowed except for a watch; a cross; and a maximum of one pair of **small plain (gold or silver) stud or small sleeper** earrings in the lower lobe for girls. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings.

Visible body piercings are not tolerated. Clear/plastic studs in body piercings are not acceptable.

No wrist or ankle bands/bracelets.

No student is to have any visible tattoos or body art.

Make-Up and Nail Polish

Make-up of any kind, including tinted moisturiser, mineral make-up/powder is not permitted; however, Foundation to cover blemishes is allowed.

Make-up is not to be worn at any College functions during which students are in College uniform e.g. photo days, College Sunday and Prize Night. Please refer to the Free Dress Day Standards as well on page of the College Diary.

All nails must be natural and be of a length and shape that allows students to engage in all aspects of the College curriculum. No acrylic or gel nails are permitted.

Nail polish is not to be worn.

Bags

The College back pack is compulsory. Bags must be kept in good condition with no graffiti. Unsatisfactory bags will need to be replaced.

A College Sports bag is also compulsory and is used by students to carry their sports uniform or swimming gear for Physical Education and other subjects that may require them to wear sports uniform.

A Book bag is also available and may be helpful for students to carry books and equipment between classes.

Students who need to bring a non-school bag for after-school sporting activities should leave the bag in Student Services before school commences in the morning and pick it up from there after school finishes.

Hair Standards

At all times when the student is in College uniform, hair must appear tidy and well cared for.

Boys

- Hair is to be neat, clean and tidy.
- All hair must be **styled conservatively**. Extreme styles, gelled and overly coloured hair are not permitted.
- Hair should not be longer than collar length and no shorter than No. 1.
- Fringes must not be longer than eyebrow level, measured by combing hair forward.
- Facial hair and sideburns below the ears are to be shaved at all times.

Girls

- Hair is to be kept neat, clean, and tidy and appear well cared for at all times.
- Hair must be kept off the face at all times.
- Hair that is longer than collar length or that hangs in the face must be tied back and pinned.
- All hair must be styled conservatively and extreme or untidy styles are not permitted.
- Hair must be a natural colour. Unnatural colours, streaks, foils or tints are unacceptable.
- Hair elastic, clips and combs should be in plain natural colours.
- Scrunchies, hair bands and hair accessories of an acceptable colour (teal, dark teal or navy) and style are available from the Uniform Shop. Black elastics may also be used. **These are the only acceptable coloured hair accessories.**
- Dress material, lace, pieces of fabric or large butterfly clips and flowers and **non-College coloured hair accessories are not permitted.**

Hats

All Australians know the importance of making sure that they cover up with sunblock and hat when they are outside. It is **compulsory** for all students to wear their **hat outside the classroom throughout the year**. Girls should style their hair in a manner that accommodates the wearing of the College hat or cap in the correct manner. We strongly advise students to wear sunblock when they come to school. Sunblock will be available for outdoor activities at the College and during swimming and athletic competitions.

Shoes

- College shoes must be black leather lace-ups (**not flat lace-up ballet pumps**) with heels no higher than 20mm. These leather shoes must offer protection during activities in subjects such as Science, Materials and Food Technology. **Thin or non-supportive shoes are therefore unsuitable.**
- Shoes are to be kept polished and in good repair.
- Sports shoes should be good quality, supportive joggers, cross trainers or sports shoes (**not Vans, Volleys, skate shoes or canvas casual shoes**).

Physical Education Uniform Standards

Full College uniform must be worn to and from the College on days when students have Physical Education and other subjects which may require their sports uniform.

Students will change into their sports uniform during the break that is closest to their sporting lesson e.g. recess, lunch. Students will then change back into their College uniform in the next available break.

Full formal College uniform is required for Assemblies and other formal occasions. Students who have Physical Education or another subject requiring their sports uniform may change after the Assembly.

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All students will need a towel and a waterproof swimming bag or the College Sports bag when they are participating in swimming activities through the College.

College bathers and cap are required by both boys and girls who represent the College in swimming competitions.

Sunglasses

Students may wear sunglasses when outdoors but they are not permitted to wear sunglasses in classrooms or on their heads as decoration.

Undergarments

Female students are not permitted to wear bikini tops or coloured undergarments under their College blouse.

Girls are not permitted to wear bras under their swimming costume but they may wear a bikini top under the College bathers.

Uniform Shop

All items of the College uniform are available through the Uniform shop with the exception of shoes.

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On these special days, students are allowed to wear free dress rather than the College Uniform. A gold coin donation is required from each student who chooses to wear free dress. The money will be collected during the morning at their class or Form room and will be donated to the charitable organisation nominated prior to the day.

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- i. No short skirts or shorts.
- ii. No inappropriate slogans on T shirts.
- iii. No make-up

- iv. Normal College rules regarding hair will apply on the day.
- v. No midriff tops or see-through tops or dresses.
- vi. Students are reminded that they will still require covered shoes for school.
- vii. Students who have Physical Education, Fitness or any other lesson requiring the College Sports Uniform will need to bring their normal Sports Uniform and change at the appropriate time.
- viii. Sports Uniform is not to be worn as Free Dress.

Students who are dressed inappropriately will be sent to Student Services and parents will be contacted.
