



High School Student Dress and Grooming Code

Policy and Procedure

Rationale

The purpose of the High School Dress and Grooming Code at Hargy International School is to:

- 1.1 Create a collective and individual pride in students and their identification with the school.
- 1.2 Foster ownership and a feeling of belonging.
- 1.3 Develop school unity by enhancing the atmosphere, tone, spirit and cultural norms of the school.
- 1.4 Provide safety and security for both individuals and groups.
- 1.5 Foster equality for all students.
- 1.6 Enhance the school image within the wider community.
- 1.7 Encourage a high standard of personal hygiene and grooming.

Guidelines

The dress code requirements will:

- Apply to all students and be clearly explained to the parents prior to the enrolment (with dress code requirements included in enrolment paperwork) and reiterated on a regular basis.
- Apply during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours, except when otherwise advised.
- Enable all students to participate actively and safely in school life.
- Actively promote fairness and inclusion by treating all students with equal respect and ensuring that no one is disadvantaged on the basis of gender, ethnicity, nationality, religion, beliefs, skin colour, or disability,
- Consider appropriate health and safety issues ensuring that the range, quality and choice of garments, their cost and availability take into account the capacity of parents to provide them.
- Be revised regularly.

Implementation

All students will wear the Hargy International School uniform.

- A list of school uniform items will be annually distributed to all school families.
- Students will wear appropriate footwear and socks for various activities they undertake at school. No open toe footwear will be permitted. Black school shoes are required for all activities except for sporting activities. Runners are required for sport activities. Socks should be white. (*Note that alternative, covered shoes may be acceptable for a short period of time if black school shoes are not available. Parents should send a note to indicate when this is the case.) Note that steel capped boots are NOT acceptable at school.
- Students will wear school hats for outside activities at all times.

- Students will not have artificially coloured hair, hair extensions, decorated nails, or wear jewellery with the exception of a single stud or slipper in each earlobe.
- Students will be expected to have all uniform items clearly named.
- School uniform must always be neat, clean and in good condition.
- The school will be responsible for ordering, selling and promoting the school uniform.
- Students are asked not to wear undershirts under their uniform.

Acceptable standards for grooming:

- Hair should be neat and tied back if long
- Hair should be clean and free from headlice.
- Facial hair should be kept short and neat.
- Any sores or skin conditions should be appropriately covered.
- Students should take appropriate action to ensure body odour is kept to a minimum wherever possible.
- Students should change out of sports clothing immediately after completing sport activity.
- Shoes should be in good condition, clean and as odour-free as possible.

The following procedures will apply to students who do not comply with the Dress and Grooming Code.

- Students who are out of uniform will be issued with a uniform breach form. They must take this home, have it signed by parents and return the signed form the next day.
- If a student is out of uniform on a number of occasions, the principal will contact the parents to discuss.
- Students who are out of uniform may be excluded from participation in activities outside the classroom. For example: excursions, school events, etc. and may be asked to undertake alternative activities.
- Replacement clothing may be provided for use during the day if this is deemed appropriate.
- Students not in sport's uniform may be prevented from participating in sporting events.

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