



UNIFORM AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE POLICY

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STATEMENT OF POLICY

Ryan Catholic College is committed to providing a sense of belonging through the wearing of the College uniform.

INTRODUCTION

This policy addresses the need for student equity and to provide consistent and clear expectations for uniform and appearance.

RATIONALE

The uniform identifies students as members of the College and, through the equality of consistent personal appearance, allows them to be recognised for their actions and character rather than what they are wearing. Students are encouraged to develop important life skills by considering issues related to personal appearance, including personal hygiene, health and safety issues. All students have a responsibility to be positive role models within the College and in representing the College in the wider community.

POLICY DIRECTIVE

Students of Ryan Catholic College are expected to wear the correct College uniform and will ensure that their personal appearance meets College expectations as prescribed in the College documentation (College [website](#), Enrolment Handbook, Parent Handbook).

The College uniform will be designed to:

- ☐ Be sun smart
- ☐ Cater for the wide range of activities in which students are expected to participate
- ☐ Allow students to feel comfortable in this climate
- ☐ Meet Work, Health and Safety Policy requirements, for example, wearing correct footwear for particular activities, protective clothing as prescribed and hair tied back/covered, etc.

The following principles support the stance on uniform and personal appearance:

- ☐ Students are expected to wear the uniform appropriate for particular activities
- ☐ Hairstyles are expected to meet the required standards as stated in the Enrolment Handbook, Parent Handbook and on the [College website](#)
- ☐ Jewellery should be in accordance with specifications as stated in the Enrolment Handbook, Parent Handbook and on the [College website](#).

Parents and students will be aware of and support the College's uniform and personal appearance expectations in any setting or location.

When necessary, a Uniform Committee made up of parents, students and staff representatives will be invoked and will report to the P&F Association and the Principal with recommendations on any changes to the College uniform.

The final decision on acceptable dress and appearance is that of the Principal.

Revision History:

- [September 2021](#)