



SCHOOL UNIFORM

POLICY

Rationale:

The Community Support Group (CSG) has declared unanimously that Bossley Park High School (BPHS) is a uniform school. Due to this support from parents, the school has a wide reputation for its appearance and pride in uniform. **As a result, students and parents must understand that there can be no variations from these requirements.**

A uniform dress code reinforces in students pride in their own appearance, instills recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, expense, and health and safety are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Uniform Policy.

“The Department of Education supports the wearing of school uniforms by students and the upholding of high standards of dress by students and staff.”

[NSW Department of Education School Uniform Policy, 2004](#)

Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) legislation provides Bossley Park High School with guidelines for student school uniforms. Where the health and safety of the student or of other students would otherwise be compromised, students may be excluded from certain educational activities.

“The NSW Department of Education and Communities believes that the provision of a safe working and learning environment for everyone at its workplaces is an integral and essential part of its responsibilities as a provider of public education...”

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/staff/WorkHealthSafety/PD20130454.shtml>

All students entering the school, in particular, practical classrooms of subjects including, Woodwork, Metalwork, Home Economics, Science (including agriculture) and Visual Art classes, must be wearing full school uniform, as this meets WHS requirements. Students who do not comply will not be permitted to enter these classrooms under this new legislation. Those students will be supervised outside the classroom and be required to do alternative work.

Aims:

- To promote equality amongst all students
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with, our school
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community
- To meet Work Health and Safety (WHS) standards

Implementation:

- This policy should be read in conjunction with the BPHS [School Uniform Code and Procedures](#) document.
- After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council (SRC), the school has developed a School Uniform Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in various school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The school must advise parents at the time of enrolment of the requirements regarding school uniform.
- The Principal and all staff are responsible for ensuring that all students comply with those requirements.
- The School Uniform Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms, will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- Unnatural hair colours (eg: green, pink, blue, red, orange or purple rinses, multi-colours) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: long rats tails, dragon tails or mohawks) are not permitted.
- Hats are to be worn in accordance with the Sunsmart policy. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- Incorrect uniform items (i.e. jumpers, jackets, beanies, scarfs etc) will be confiscated and given to the relevant Deputy Principal. Students will be provided with an alternative suitable option to wear in cold weather.
- The School Uniform Code and Procedures, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published with enrolment information in Term 4 reports and in the newsletter at the start of each year.
- Students who are unable to follow the School Uniform Code on any given day must present a note of explanation from their parent/caregiver to the relevant Deputy Principal to obtain a uniform pass.
- The ‘Extreme Weather’ policy will be initiated by the Deputy Principal and parents notified via an official school note and email the day before.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified in....

August 2017

School Uniform Code and Procedures

It is expected that the uniform will be **worn with pride**. All uniform is to be worn as designed, and not altered in any way. If for any reason a student is out of uniform, the student must bring a note of explanation from their parent/caregiver and **obtain a uniform pass from the relevant year group Deputy Principal**.

The school has health and safety regulations which are in accordance with the Department of Education policy. These must be followed by all students at all times.

No student will be disadvantaged in regard to school uniform because of his/her family's financial difficulties. Parents experiencing such difficulties are encouraged to speak IN CONFIDENCE with the Head Teacher Student Wellbeing or Deputy Principal. In addition, there is good quality clothing at very reasonable prices available in our Community Support Group (CSG) Clothing Pool. Please contact the school for further information.

Uniform Requirements:

The following points are emphasised to maintain the standards of the BPHS School Uniform Policy.

Note: The Deputy Principal's and Principal will clarify and/or make decisions on appropriateness of items of uniform, including those related to makeup, jewellery and hair.

Clothing:

- **Boys' shirts** are to be tucked in at all times.
- **Senior boys must wear ties correctly** at all times during Terms 2 and 3.
- **Girls' skirts** must not be rolled at the top, or pleats stitched. Skirts must be an appropriate length, worn at the waist.
- **Shirts worn underneath shirts or blouses** must be plain white and sleeves must not be visible. If long-sleeved undershirts or skivvies are worn, they must be covered by jumpers at all times.
- **Caps must be removed upon entry to buildings.** Caps must be black or white or a combination of black and white. Beanies and visors are not accepted.
- **Socks** must be BPHS school socks – white with one black band. (This also includes sport lessons).
- **Boys' belts** must be plain black.
- **Girls' slacks**, if worn, must be the correct BPHS style, purchased at Lowes, Fairfield
- For all **excursions or out of school activities**, full school uniform must be worn. Failure to comply may result in exclusion from the excursion. Variations to this will be noted on permission notes sent home.
- **Scarves should be black or white**, or a combination of the two. Incorrect uniform will be confiscated.
- **Students may NOT wear the school sports uniform to school on their sports/PE days.** All students must attend roll call in full school uniform. Period 4 sport/PE groups can wear their full sport uniform home. Students with physical disabilities may wear their sports uniform for the whole day on PE days.
- Incorrect jumpers or jackets will be confiscated and given to the Deputy Principal.

School Shoes:

- **Fully enclosed firm, formal, hard black leather lace-up shoes must be worn (old-fashioned school shoes);**
- The following types of footwear are not acceptable as school shoes: **buckle-up shoes, ballet-style slip on shoes, black sports shoes** (including suede, canvas or soft black leather), **other sports shoes, coloured trim, ankle high basketball-style boots, soft canvas shoes, shoes with a heel greater than 3cms or platforms and boots of the Doc Martens or military style.**

Hair, Makeup and Jewellery:

- **Unnatural hair colours** (eg: green, pink, blue, red, orange, or purple dyes, multi-colours) and/or **extreme hairstyles** (eg: long rats tails, dragon tails, mullet or mohawks) are not permitted.
- **Make-up must be minimal** and natural.
- Students **must not wear jewellery which could be unsafe** to themselves and others OR which could be lost or stolen.
- **Earrings may only be studs or small sleepers**, maximum of two per ear.
- **Bracelets and neck chains must be small to medium thickness, gold or silver only**, with no sharp charms. Neck chains must not be displayed outside the uniform. One bracelet and one necklace only.
- **No facial piercings or tongue rings are accepted.**
- **Unacceptable items of jewellery will be confiscated** and sent to the Deputy Principal.
- **Facial hair:** It is the expectation that male students will be clean shaven.

Extreme Weather Policy

- In the event of extreme weather, that is, when temperatures exceed 38 degrees, the Deputy Principal will issue an official school note to all students and an email will be sent out to notify students that Bossley Park High School Sports Uniform will be accepted on the day of extreme weather. **Students must ensure that correct shoe apparel is brought along on the day/s, particularly for subjects that require WHS suitable shoes (Science, Industrial Arts and or Home Economics).** Students who are wearing the incorrect uniform when the Extreme Weather Policy has not been activated may be given a uniform detention and further action taken in line with the school's Wellbeing Policy.

JUNIOR BOYS' UNIFORM
YEARS 7 TO 10

- TROUSERS:** School Grey Trousers (College Standex).
Trousers (ankle length) are to be hemmed and seams are to be stitched the full length of the trouser leg. Untidy, frayed ends will not be accepted.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Fashion/dress trousers or trousers in various shades of grey.
- SHIRT:** White, short/long sleeved, school logo embroidered on pocket and with appropriate business style collar. All buttons done up.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Polo shirts.
- JUMPER:** Black, woollen, machine washable jumper, Bossley Park High School design.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
- BLAZER:** Bossley Park High School blazer with the school logo clearly evident. *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
- OPTIONAL:** Plain, white cotton shirts or skivvies are allowed under long sleeved shirt and school jumper. **Not accepted: coloured or patterned shirt under school shirt, long sleeves showing under short-sleeved shirt.**
- FOOTWEAR:** Fully enclosed, firm, formal, hard black leather lace-up shoes must be worn (traditional school shoes). **Not accepted: Black sports shoes (including suede, canvas or soft black leather), any coloured trim on shoe, ankle high basketball type boots, boots of the Doc Martens or military style, shoes with a heel greater than 3cms or platforms.**
- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle; socks with coloured stripes/ brand name or socks of any other colour.
- BELT:** Plain, black belts only. Belt ends must be tucked in. Chains from pocket to belt on trousers etc. are unacceptable.

FOR SPORT, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS SCIENCE ELECTIVE

- SCHOOL TRACKSUIT:** Bossley Park High School design. *Available at BPHS until stocks run out*
- POLO SHIRT:** Bossley Park High School design. *Available at BPHS until stocks run out*
- SHORTS:** Bossley Park High School design. *Available at BPHS until stocks run out*
Not accepted: Specific sport shorts e.g. soccer.
- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle; socks with coloured stripes/ brand name or socks of any other colour.
- FOOTWEAR:** Gym shoes, any sturdy style, in white or black. NO RABENS (soft canvas/material)
- CAP/HAT:** Black or white. Removed upon entering a building.
Not accepted: Beanies or visors.
- JEWELLERY/FACIAL PIERCING:** See the School Uniform Code and Procedures.

Students not in correct full sports uniform for sport and PE activities will not be permitted to participate.

JUNIOR GIRLS' UNIFORM
YEARS 7 TO 10

- SKIRT:** Black and white check, with two inverted front pleats.
NB. Pleats/length should not be altered in such a way that causes changes in design. Skirts should be the appropriate size, worn at the waist (not too tight or short and not rolled up).
- AND**
- BLOUSE:** White blouse, featuring black piping with 'V-front' neckline. An over-blouse with a shaped collar and cuffed short sleeves. *Optional* - long sleeves in winter. Completely buttoned up. *Both available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
Not accepted: Ill-fitting blouse (too tight or extremely large),
- SLACKS:** Tailored, black pleated style front, darts at back on a waistband, gabardine material. *Must wear BPHS-approved style, available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
Not accepted: Fashion slacks including bell-bottoms and flares, silky/synthetic material or tight-fitting slacks.
- JUMPER:** Black, woollen, machine washable jumper, Bossley Park High School design. *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
- BLAZER:** Bossley Park High School blazer with the school logo clearly evident. *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
- OPTIONAL:** Plain, white cotton shirts or skivvies are allowed under long sleeved shirt and school jumper. **Not accepted: coloured or patterned shirt under blouse, long sleeves showing under short-sleeved blouse.**
- FOOTWEAR:** Fully enclosed, firm, formal, hard black leather lace-up shoes must be worn (traditional school shoes). **Not accepted: Black sports shoes (including suede, canvas or soft black leather), any coloured trim on shoes, ankle high basketball type boots, boots of the Doc Martens or military style, shoes with a heel greater than 3cms, buckle-up shoes, ballet-style slipper shoes or platforms.**
- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band. *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle, socks with coloured stripes/brand names or socks of any other colour.
- STOCKINGS:** Plain black, opaque (thick) pantyhose may be worn with the skirt in the cooler months of Terms 2 and 3. May be worn on very cold days during Terms 1 and 4.

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- SHORTS:** Bossley Park High School design. *Available at BPHS until stocks run out*
Not accepted: Specific sport shorts e.g. soccer.
- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band. *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle, socks with coloured stripes/brand name or socks of any other colour.
- FOOTWEAR:** Gym shoes, any sturdy style, in white or black. NO RABENS (soft canvas/material)
- CAP/HAT:** Black or white. Removed upon entering a building.
Not accepted: Beanies or visors.
- JEWELLERY/FACIAL PIERCING:** See the School Uniform Code and Procedures.

Students not in correct full sports uniform for sport and PE activities will not be permitted to participate.

SENIOR BOYS' UNIFORM
YEARS 11 AND 12

- TROUSERS:** School Grey Trousers, (College Standex).
Trousers (ankle length) are to be hemmed and seams are to be stitched the full length of the trouser leg. Untidy frayed ends will not be accepted.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Fashion/dress trousers, trousers in various shade of grey.
- SHIRT:** Bossley Park High School grey and white striped with logo, short/long sleeved, with appropriate business style collar. All buttons done up.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Polo shirts.
- JUMPER:** Black, woollen, machine washable jumper, Bossley Park High School design.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
- BLAZER and JACKET:** Bossley Park High School blazer, the Year 12 jacket with the school logo clearly evident.
- OPTIONAL:** Plain, white cotton shirts or skivvies are allowed under long sleeved shirt and school jumper.
Not accepted: coloured or patterned shirt under school shirt, long sleeves showing under short-sleeved shirt.
- FOOTWEAR:** Fully enclosed, firm, formal, hard black leather lace-up shoes must be worn (traditional school shoes) **Not accepted: Black sports shoes (including suede, canvas or soft black leather), coloured trim, ankle high basketball type boots, boots of the Doc Martens or military style, shoes with a heel greater than 3cms or platforms.**
- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle; socks with coloured stripes or brand names; socks of any other colour.
- TIE:** Bossley Park High School design - *Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
NOTE: Ties are compulsory during Terms 2 and 3, though they may be worn all year. Top button done up, tie knot flush with collar.
Not accepted: Tie worn incorrectly.
- BELT:** Plain, black belts only. Belt ends must be tucked in. Chains from pocket to belt tie on trousers etc. are unacceptable.

FOR SPORT AND COURSES IN THE PD/HEALTH/PE FACULTY

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- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle, socks with coloured stripes/brand names or socks of any other colour.
- FOOTWEAR:** Gym shoes, any sturdy style, in white or black. NO RABENS (soft canvas/material)
- CAP/HAT:** Black or white, baseball cap style only. Removed upon entering a building.
Not accepted: Beanies or visors.
- JEWELLERY/FACIAL PIERCING:** See the School Uniform Code and Procedures.

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SENIOR GIRLS' UNIFORM
YEARS 11 AND 12

- SKIRT:** Black, with six knife pleats in front, elasticised back waistband and side zip pocket. NB. Pleats/length should not be altered in such a way that causes changes in design. Skirts should be the appropriate size, worn at the waist (not too tight or short and not rolled up).
- AND**
- BLOUSE:** White blouse, featuring black piping with 'V-front' neckline. An over-blouse with a shaped collar and cuffed short sleeves. *Optional* - long sleeves in winter. Completely buttoned up.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
- Not accepted: Ill-fitting blouse (too tight or extremely large).**
- SLACKS:** Tailored, black pleated style front, darts at back on a waistband, gabardine material. *Must wear BPHS-approved style, available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.*
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- SOCKS:** Bossley Park High School socks – white with one black band.
Available from Lowes (Fairfield) and School Locker, Orange Grove, Liverpool.
- Not accepted: Socks worn under the ankle; socks with coloured stripes or brand names; socks of any other colour.**

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- SHORTS:** Bossley Park High School design. *Available at BPHS until stocks run out*
Not accepted: Specific sport shorts eg. soccer.
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