GHS STUDENT DRESS CODE

BACKGROUND:
The Gladstone High School Student Dress Code Standard is in line with the DECD School Dress Code policy and is recommended by our Governing Council. Students, parents and staff, have been consulted in the forming of this Dress Code. Our expectation is that all students will comply with this Code with the support of their parents.

Purpose:
- To project pride in our appearance and a sense of belonging within the GHS community,
- To demonstrate social inclusion of all students at GHS,
- To provide a safe, learning environment through identifying with GHS.

RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS AND STAFF
Staff will encourage students to demonstrate pride in and respect for GHS through wearing the school dress code at all times.

All parents are expected to ensure their child meets the school dress code at all times. When students are unable to wear full Dress Code on a particular day, parents will provide a written note in the student diary that is then sighted and signed by the Caregroup teacher.

Encouraging positive reinforcement and responsible behaviour is always our preferred approach however, students out of Dress Code without a note from their parent:
- Are encouraged by their Caregroup teacher to observe the dress code.
- Parents are informed via a diary note, phone call or letter home.
- Further negotiation by the Principal with the student and parent.
- Students may be asked to change into the approved dress code as provided by the school.
- Wilful and persistent breaches of the dress code may require the student to do extra duties, or lose privileges.

NOTE: Covered shoes and protective clothing are required in Science, Agriculture, Home Economics, Art and Technical Studies.

EXEMPTION:
Principals may exempt students from the dress code upon written request form the parent. Grounds for exemption are: religious, cultural or ethical, financial hardship or other additional grounds as the Principal may determine. These students and their parents require sensitive and careful consideration to minimise possible conflict.

REVIEW OF STUDENT DRESS CODE:
The Governing Council is responsible for initiating review of this policy every 2 years, and ratifying at a Governing Council meeting. Parents of students will be consulted in each review through the Governing Council. Students will be consulted through the Student Leaders / SWAT, with support from staff. Staff will consider the dress code in staff meetings.
THE AGREED DRESS CODE:

Boys and Girls:

Dress          GHS Summer Uniform   *(Available from GHS)*
Shorts         Plain Navy Or Navy with white stripes only *(1 – 3 stripes)*
Pants          Plain Navy Or Navy with white stripes only *(1 – 3 stripes)*
Shirts         ‘Gladstone High’ Navy Polo Shirt   *(Available from GHS)*
Under shirts   Navy or white
Jumper         ‘Gladstone High’ Navy Polar Fleece *(Available from Gladstone H.S.)*
               GHS Navy Rugby Top   *(Available from Gladstone H.S.)*
Shoes          School shoes, sneakers. Covered shoes for Workshop/practical areas.
               Sandals - with strap at the back (not in Workshop/practical areas)
               Change of sneakers for PE.
Hats           GHS bucket hats   *(Available from GHS)*
               Or a navy broad brimmed hat

General:
Jewellery     Unobtrusive make-up and jewellery, facial piercings
                FOR SAFETY REASONS JEWELLERY IS NOT TO BE WORN IN
                WORKSHOP AREAS AND PRACTICAL AREAS
School Logo   School Bag with School Emblem   *(OPTIONAL - Available from GHS)*
               Cloth Badges (School Logo) to sew on Jumpers, etc.   *(Available from Pirie Embroidery)*
Physical
Education    ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE A SUITABLE CHANGE OF CLOTHES FOR
               P.E. LESSONS AND A HAT.
               In an emergency a set of navy hats are available for loan by students from
               Front Office during lesson time.
               Sun Screen is available from Front Office.
               Only pump and roll-on deodorant can be used at school or on school buses.
               NO AEROSOLS AT SCHOOL due to allergies / health concerns / asthma.
Outdoor
Activities  Students will be required to wear hats for all outdoor lessons, recess and lunch
               time.
               Refer to the Sun Protection Policy.
STUDENTS NOT WEARING CORRECT DRESS CODE

Dear ........................................

The Governing Council, in consultation with parents, students and staff have agreed on a Student Dress Code for all students at GHS.

Recently ........................................

was wearing .........................................................., which is not in keeping with the agreed Dress Code.

We understand that it is sometimes difficult to have clothing washed and ready every day. If your child is unable to temporarily wear the appropriate clothing to meet the Dress Code, please write a note in their diary. Contact the school if you require appropriate school clothing, as we have second hand items and a range of new stock available at competitive prices.

Please contact myself, your child’s Year level Coordinator or the Principal if you wish to discuss this matter further. (Please note there is provision for an exemption if needed)

Following the Dress Code allows all students to develop a sense of belonging and responsibility, and a high standard of appearance. Your support contributes towards a safe and equitable learning environment.

Yours faithfully,

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Sharryn Daly
HOME GROUP TEACHER

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PRINCIPAL

Return to Care Group Teacher

I have received the letter dated ....................... regarding my student ....................... not wearing dress code.

Signed: ................................................................. (Parent / Caregiver)

Dated: .................................................................
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