

# Montmorency Secondary College

## COLLEGE UNIFORM

### POLICY

#### **Rationale:**

The Montmorency Secondary College uniform dress code is intended to develop in the students a sense of pride in their appearance and in representing the college in the community. They should also feel proud to identify and belong to the college community.

#### **Aims:**

- A college uniform, worn with pride, creates a positive image of the college and a recognisable identity in the community.
- A uniform promotes a sense of equality of dress amongst students.
- A uniform provides appropriate durable clothing, which is cost effective and durable in a learning environment.

#### **Implementation:**

- The wearing of college uniform is a School Council requirement for students attending Montmorency Secondary College. Students should take the responsibility for wearing uniform supported by their parents.
- The college uniform dress code provides a wide choice for both summer and winter dress and is designed to allow students to safely engage in a variety of school activities.
- Summer and winter uniform, as well as sports uniform, must be worn as specified. Uniforms should be in good repair and dresses and trousers should be of appropriate length. Uniform footwear is black leather lace up school shoes. Girls may wear black leather T-Bar shoes or Mary Jane Shoes.
- The dress code applies during school hours, whilst travelling to and from school and while students are on school excursions.
- The student dress code, including items and places of purchase will be published in the students' student planner and at regular intervals in the college newsletter and in brochures available at the college office.
- As a health precaution students should use sunscreen and wear hats when appropriate outdoors. Hats and beanies are not permitted to be worn in class.
- Moderate, safe and reasonably unobtrusive jewellery, hairstyles and cosmetics are acceptable, however jewellery should be removed if students are requested to do so and for activities where wearing them could present a hazard, e.g. sport, physical education. We expect common sense to prevail.
- College staff will monitor the correct wearing of school uniform on behalf of College Council.
- Students who are temporarily out of uniform must supply a written explanation from a parent or guardian in order to obtain a Uniform Pass.
- The uniform has been designed to cater for the financial constraints of some families while still looking impressive on the students.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State School Relief and other means for families experiencing economic hardship. All transactions of this nature are strictly confidential and organised through the Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator (SWC).
- Parents seeking exemptions due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability or economic hardship should contact the College to speak to either the Sub-school Leaders or the Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator.

#### **Evaluation:**

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

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

September 2011