



School Council has the authority to develop and implement dress codes for students. This authority arises from a Ministerial Order under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students, is gender-neutral, inclusive and is cost effective for families.



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the College on 9422 1500.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The full list of Montmorency Secondary College's compulsory school uniform items is listed in Appendix A to the Montmorency Secondary College Student Dress Code.

- o Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities. When representing the school, students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code and may be provided with representative clothing for the occasion.
- o Uniforms should be clean and in good repair.
- o Year 12 students may wear the approved jacket.
- o Uniforms should be worn in appropriate sizes i.e. not oversized
- o Any additional items worn underneath the uniform should be plain white and not visible.
- o Students should wear sunscreen and MSC sunhats when appropriate outdoors. MSC beanies, black scarves (no logo) are also permitted. Hats and beanies are not to be worn in class.

ACTIVE RANGE: PE/SPORTS UNIFORM

PE/Sports pants/shorts from the Montmorency Secondary College active range may be worn, or:

1. PANTS Plain black fleece tracksuit as long as they meet the following criteria:

- o Pants cannot have any logo at all, including embroidered/printed logos. The Montmorency School logo is the only acceptable branding permitted
- o Must have elasticated waist and cuffs
- o Pants cannot have any external pockets (e.g. cargo style)
- o Leggings are not acceptable

2. SHORTS Plain black sports-style as long as they meet the following criteria:

- o Shorts cannot have any logos at all, including embroidered/printed logos. The Montmorency School logo is the only acceptable branding permitted
- o Shorts must have an elasticated waist
- o Shorts cannot have external pockets (e.g. cargo style)
- o Shorts should be mid-thigh in length
- o Bike shorts are not acceptable

Wearing of PE/Sports Uniform:

- o Students in Years 7-9 may wear their PE Uniform to and from school and all day, on the days where they have timetabled core PE sessions.
- o Students are required to wear a totally black runner with their PE uniform.
- o In Years 8-9, any student undertaking a PE/Sports elective is required to change into/out of their PE uniform for elective classes.
- o In Years 10-12, students who have chosen to undertake Senior PE are required to change into/out of their PE uniform for PE classes.
- o Only the MSC PE polo top and MSC spray jacket/soft shell jacket may be worn over the PE shorts and either the MSC track pants or non branded track pants when travelling to and from school.

Note: Academy Uniforms carry acceptable version of both tracksuit pants and sports style shorts

ACADEMIC UNIFORM

The College allows students to wear either Academic Summer or Winter uniform, depending on the weather. Uniform items from the two seasons cannot be mixed (e.g. a student may not wear the summer dress with winter black tights).

1. PANTS Plain black or dark grey academic business/tailored

- o With fly and fastening
- o (NO LOGOS except the Montmorency Secondary College logo)
- o No pants with cargo style / denim jean style pockets
- o Full length (to the ankle)
- o Straight-leg style pants

2. SHORTS Plain black or dark grey academic business/tailored

- o With fly and fastening
 - o (NO LOGOS except the Montmorency Secondary College logo)
 - o No shorts with cargo style / denim jean style pockets
 - o Shorts should be mid-thigh in length
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- o Plain White, Grey or Black Short or Long Socks (*no commercial logo*)
 - o Black T-Bar, Black Leather Mary Janes or Black runners/lace-up school shoes (see images Appendix B for further information)

Jewellery/Cosmetics/Hair

- o Jewellery should be unobtrusive and safe.
- o Make-up is not encouraged and is to be kept to a minimum.
- o Only clear nail polish is acceptable. Long nails, especially fake nails, are inappropriate and present a further OH&S risk.
- o Hair colour is limited to natural colours. Blue, green, purple or scarlet hair is not acceptable. Long hair should be tied back where appropriate for Occupational Health & Safety reasons, especially in Physical Education, Science and all Technology classes.

Support for Families Experiencing Difficulty

Families who are experiencing difficulty purchasing the correct uniform items are asked to contact the relevant Year Level Leader or the College's Student Wellbeing Co-ordinators to discuss support that we may be able to provide. This may include information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: <https://www.ssr.net.au/>

Uniform Pass

Communication from a parent/guardian is required if a student is not able to wear complete uniform for a brief period for a genuine reason. A uniform pass must be obtained at the start of the day from the Year Level Leader or Year Level Coordinator by any student out of uniform and shown to teachers throughout the day when requested.

If a student is unable to wear the complete uniform due to medical reasons, then this should be supported by documentation from a relevant medical professional.

Measures taken by Montmorency Secondary College to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

Parents seeking exemptions due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, or student disability should apply either in writing or in person to the Principal or an exemption to the Student Dress Code. All conversations will be treated confidentially.

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	6 August 2025
Consultation	School Council
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	August 2028

MONTMORENCY SECONDARY COLLEGE UNIFORM ITEMS
(Reviewed Aug 2025)
APPENDIX A

ACADEMIC SUMMER/WINTER UNIFORM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ MSC Summer Dress (<i>customised item</i>) ◦ MSC Winter Skirt (<i>customised item</i>) ◦ Plain black or dark grey (no logo) academic business/tailored shorts (only the MSC logo is permitted) (<i>Can be purchased from Academy Uniforms</i>) ◦ Plain black or dark grey (no logo) academic business/tailored pants (only the MSC logo is permitted) (<i>Can be purchased from Academy Uniforms</i>) ◦ MSC White Short or Long Sleeve Shirt ◦ MSC Green Wool Jumper (Years 7 to 10) ◦ MSC Black Wool Jumper (Years 11 & 12) ◦ MSC Spray Jacket ◦ MSC Soft Shell Jacket ◦ Plain White, Grey or Black Short or Long Socks (no commercial logo) ◦ Black Tights (to be worn with the winter skirt only) ◦ Black T-Bar, Black Leather Mary Janes or Black Runners/ lace-up school shoes (see images for further information)
ACTIVE: PE/SPORT UNIFORM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Plain black mid-thigh sports-style shorts (no logo) only the MSC logo is permitted (<i>Can be purchased from Academy Uniforms</i>) ◦ Plain black fleece tracksuit pants (no logo) only the MSC logo is permitted (<i>Can be purchased from Academy Uniforms</i>) ◦ MSC Sports Polo Top with collared buttons ◦ MSC Spray Jacket ◦ MSC Soft Shell Jacket ◦ MSC PE Backpack (Optional - Purchase from North of the Yarra Booksellers) ◦ Totally black runner to be worn with PE/Sport Uniform (see images for further information)
OPTIONAL ITEMS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ MSC Beanie ◦ Black School Scarf no logo (only the MSC logo is permitted) ◦ MSC Summer Hat ◦ MSC School Bag

The College allows students to wear either summer or winter uniform, depending on the weather. Uniform items from the two seasons should not be missed (e.g. a student may not wear the summer dress with winter black tights).

Parents/Guardians in doubt about uniform requirements should contact the College for advice or refer to our College Uniform brochure.

Students representing the College in competition sport are required to wear the correct PE uniform or the specific sport uniform provided by the College.

MONTMORENCY SECONDARY COLLEGE UNIFORM ITEMS
(Reviewed Aug 2025)
Appendix B

ACADEMIC

ACADEMIC PANTS: Plain black or dark grey academic business/tailored pants



ACADEMIC: MSC DRESS & SKIRT (Customised items) Only the MSC items are allowed



ACADEMIC SHORTS: Plain black or dark grey academic business/tailored shorts



SOCKS: Plain White, Grey or Black Short or Long Socks (no commercial logo)



ACADEMIC SHOES: Black T-Bar, Black Leather Mary Janes or Black runners or lace up school shoes



ACTIVE PE / SPORT UNIFORM

ACTIVE SHORTS: Plain black mid-thigh sports-style shorts (no logo) only the MSC logo is permitted



TRACKSUIT PANTS: Plain black fleece tracksuit pants (no logo) only the MSC logo is permitted



ACTIVE RUNNER: *Totally black runner to be worn with PE/Sport Uniform*

