



## Student Dress Code

The Elimbah State School uniform is endorsed by our P & C Association. School staff and members of the community agree that a consistent presence of our school's full uniform is a very powerful way to create a sense of pride in our school. Our school uniform readily identifies children when travelling to and from school and on outside school activities, such as excursions and school sport.

The P & C Association of Elimbah State School supports the Student Dress Code as it promotes the objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, and in particular that it:

- promotes a safe environment for learning by enabling ready identification of students and non-students of the school;
- promotes an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at our school;
- promotes a supportive environment at our school by fostering a sense of belonging;
- fosters mutual respect among individuals at our school by minimising visible evidence of economic, class or social differences.

Elimbah State School and the P&C Association acknowledge that:

- all students should wear school uniform every day;
- a broad brimmed, legionnaire or bucket hat should be worn by students during all outdoor activities. We have a 'no hat, no play' policy.
- full uniform is to be worn on all excursions unless specifically notified otherwise;
- parents' cooperation in supporting our Dress Code is essential and greatly appreciated;
- we are proud of our students and our school and our students demonstrate this pride by wearing our school uniform.

### **Processes for compliance and conflict resolution:**

1. Positively acknowledge students consistently wearing the full school uniform
2. Remind our school community of the importance and rationale for the uniform
3. Students not in full uniform should discuss their reasons with their classroom teacher
4. Continued non-compliance will result in students being referred to the Principal or Deputy Principal
5. A Leadership Team member will contact parents to discuss repeated non-compliance to make an informed decision before imposing any sanctions
6. Continued non-compliance will result in students being offered uniforms from a bank of uniforms held at the school. A process for conflict resolution will be implemented for individual students persistently wearing inappropriate dress
7. Sanctions may include lunch time detentions, and/or prevented participation in non-curriculum activities such as school sport or excursions if deemed necessary once all factors have been taken into consideration, with the student's welfare our primary concern

*Please note:*

- ✓ *Student safety is our main priority, and restrictions on shoes, jewellery, hair accessories and hoodies are in place to ensure a safe environment and to minimise potential injury.*
- ✓ *Consideration is always given to individual students with regards to sensory or medical issues, religious and cultural beliefs.*
- ✓ *Provision is made for students who may be experiencing financial difficulty, and after speaking to the parents/carers, the Principal will consult with the P&C regarding ability to assist.*

The dress code will be reviewed periodically for appropriateness or enhancements in consultation with students, parents and staff. It will be endorsed by the P&C Association every 2 years.

## **Official Elimbah State School Uniform:**

### **GIRLS**

- Elimbah SS green and yellow polo shirt **or** Elimbah SS green and white cotton checked shirt; **and** bottle green shorts, skorts or skirt; **or**
- Elimbah SS green and white cotton checked dress
- Neutral coloured plain socks
- Closed in, neutral coloured shoes, appropriate for running (no high cut or fashion boots)
- Bottle green jumper / jacket (no hoodies)
- Bottle green pants, tights or stockings
- Bottle green legionnaire, bucket or broad brimmed hat (must be sun safe – no caps) *No hat, no play*

### **BOYS**

- Elimbah SS green and yellow polo shirt **or** Elimbah SS green and white cotton checked shirt; **and** bottle green shorts
- Neutral coloured plain socks
- Closed in, neutral coloured shoes, appropriate for running
- Bottle green jumper / jacket (no hoodies)
- Bottle green pants
- Bottle green legionnaire, bucket or broad brimmed hat (must be sun safe – no caps) *No hat, no play*

*Year 6 students may wear their Senior shirt as an alternative to the Elimbah SS polo shirt*

### **JEWELLERY**

Students may wear a watch and small sleeper or stud earrings. A medical bracelet or medical necklace is also acceptable. Other jewellery such as necklaces, bracelets, rings etc. may be unsafe for the student or other students as they could become caught in play equipment or come into contact with another student causing injury.

Facial and other body piercings are not permitted (even if they are covered). Make-up and fingernail polish are not permitted. Religious or cultural medallions on a small necklace/chain are acceptable if they are tucked inside the school shirt.

### **HAIR**

Hair that is shoulder length (including rats tails) should be neatly tied back with appropriate neutral or school coloured hair ties. Hair styles should be neat and natural. Shaved / clipped patterns (tracks) in hair and mohawks are not appropriate for school. Coloured or dyed hair should be of natural colour. Hair styles should be neat and accessories worn should be appropriate for school.

### **FOOTWEAR**

Students should wear a flat, closed in shoe that is appropriate for running and outdoor activities. Boots or shoes that extend beyond the ankle are not appropriate for school. Shoes should be predominantly neutral in colour (white, black or brown) and have only minimal other colours on them. They should not be fluorescent, glitter, flashing etc. Shoes with built-in skates are not permitted at school.

### **NON-UNIFORM DAYS**

On special non-uniform days such as 'free dress days' or on the rare occasion that the school uniform is unable to be worn, the clothes worn by students should reflect the style of our uniform. Clothing should be sun safe. Where unsuitable clothes are worn to school, parents will be contacted to bring a change of clothes or uniforms will be offered from the bank of uniforms kept at school.

**The Elimbah State School Student Dress Code is endorsed by:**

School representative:



P&C President:

