

# Kilcoy State High School

An Independent Public School

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# **Dress Code**

The school community, through their Parents and Citizens Committee, decide their students' dress code, which reflects the values and unique qualities of the school community. The Kilcoy State High School community has determined that our school is a **full uniform school**. Our school community believes that our uniform is important in instilling a sense of self-esteem, pride in our school and self-discipline in students.

Our school uniform is designed to create a sense of purpose for students, which lends itself to the process of education. The wearing of a school uniform also ensures that outsiders to our school community are readily identifiable. We believe through community consultation we have designed a uniform that enhances elements of comfort, climate, modesty, cost efficiency and social equity.

All students are expected to observe the details of correct attire while on their way to, during and from school. Our school and school community have agreed that the Dress Code outlines expectations of students with regard to uniforms and personal appearance. These expectations are explained at the enrolment interview and are agreed to by parents and students.



### **DAY UNIFORM**

KSHS Polo Shirt
KSHS Unisex shorts
Plain black microfibre tracksuit
pants/slacks/trousers
White or Black short crew
socks
Shoes – all black, fully
enclosed, impervious
upper (as per attached guide)
KSHS Jacket
Plain maroon or black jumper/
jacket



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## **FORMAL UNIFORM:**

Uniforms identified as 'KSHS' can only be purchased through KSHS Uniform Shop Online or by enquiry through the school office. Slacks, trousers, tracksuit pants must be plain black with no markings or logos. Jumpers and jackets other than the KSHS jacket or KSHS jersey must be plain black or maroon with no markings or logos.

KSHS formal shirt or blouse (including button on maroon tie) KSHS formal shorts or KSHS skirt

KSHS Senior Jersey (Year 11 & 12 only)

Plain black slacks/trousers

White or Black short crew socks

Shoes – all black, fully enclosed, impervious upper (as per the 'Shoe Guide')

**KSHS Jacket** 

Plain maroon or black jumper/jacket

KSHS Senior Jersey (Year 11 & 12 only)



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# **Shoes**

Students are required to wear protective and appropriate footwear to school every day with white ankle socks. Students must wear black fully enclosed impervious leather/vinyl shoes. (see photographs).





## Non-compliance with the dress code (Education – General Provisions Act 2006)

- If a student arrives at school with incorrect uniform items, they must immediately report to the office. A note from a parent/guardian would help to facilitate this discussion. Where possible, the student will be expected to change into an appropriate garment provided by the school.
- In the first instance, the student will be given a detention and **a uniform slip** detailing the incorrect uniform item and the slip's period of validity. A reasonable period of time will be negotiated in order for the student to become compliant with the uniform code.
- A letter will be sent to parents informing them of repeated uniform breaches, and requesting that they take immediate action to rectify the situation or contact the school to establish a plan to rectify the uniform breach.
- If the student does not comply with the plan developed above, a detention will be given to the student each time they fail to comply with the dress code.
- If the student continues to be out of uniform and fails to complete the detention, this will be considered as **wilful disobedience**, and as such students may be **suspended from school** (re RBP4S).

#### Other consequences:

- If the incorrect uniform is offensive in nature, unsafe or completely unrecognisable as a Kilcoy State High School student, parents will be contacted and arrangements made for the student to obtain the appropriate uniform.
- The student may be prevented from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student would have been **representing the school**.
- The student may be prevented from attending or participating in any school activity that, in the reasonable opinion of the School's principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the school.

### **Financial Hardship**

• The school provides a range of solutions to assist families in financial hardship. These include payment plans, and other approaches that can be negotiated on a case by case basis.



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# Presentation and grooming

# Personal Hygiene

Students are expected at all times to take responsibility for their own cleanliness. This shows respect for self and other members of the community.

### School uniform

The School uniform is designed in full consultation with the school community. Any future modifications will involve similar consultative processes.

No other clothing should be substituted for the school uniform, which is to be worn appropriately whilst at school and travelling and to and from school. Footwear should be clean and of a presentable standard. It is our expectation that students will wear their uniforms neatly, cleanly and with pride.

#### Hair

Hair should be of a natural-looking colour, worn in a neat conventional style. Hairstyles such as mohawks and dreadlocks are also inappropriate. There should be no extremes of hair style or presentation. Hair must be clean and tidy and comply with workplace health & safety provisions.

## Jewellery & Grooming

Students are expected to take pride in their grooming and hygiene. Minimal, tasteful, conservative jewellery as outlined below is acceptable with the school uniform.

Jewellery is restricted to a wrist watch, **two** sets of plain studs or sleepers worn in ears only, one plain ring. **Facial piercings and stretchers are not permitted (this includes clear jewellery).** No other jewellery items are permitted. Necklaces are **not permitted** to be worn at school unless of religious or by negotiation with Principal.

**Please note:** Jewellery that a student wears to school becomes the student's responsibility and the school will not be responsible for loss or damage to the same. Any jewellery worn to school must be removable and is to be removed when asked by a teacher for a valid reason. Eg sports, safety reasons.

### Make-up

Students are permitted to wear minimal natural make up. Finger nail polish is not permitted.

### Non-uniform School occasions

Students are required to dress appropriately for the occasion and are expected to do so with the responsibility of being ambassadors for the school. On these occasions it is important that students present themselves in a manner that is neat, tasteful and meets safety requirements. Clothing must be sun smart and modest in appearance.

It is not possible to set out presentation and grooming rules in a way that is 'black and white': there is always the need for interpretation about taste, safety and appropriateness of fashion trends and the School authorities will need to make judgements about this from time to time.

We are confident that our students will take pride in being members of the Kilcoy State High School community and will choose to make responsible choices about presenting themselves.