



DRESS CODE POLICY

East Torrens is a Department of Education and Child Development (DECD) R-7 school with a 'defined dress code'. This document provides information specific to the school's uniform requirements. The main colours are navy blue and bottle green which represent to amalgamation of Hectorville and Newton schools in 2000. Dress code items can be mixed across the seasons to suit the weather.

The school has a 'defined dress code' for the following reasons:

- to strengthen a sense of belonging within our school community
- to ensure our students look well presented, and develop pride in their appearance
- to ensure our staff are able to easily identify ETPS students on the school grounds, whilst out on excursions and when representing the school in the community

EXEMPTIONS:

The Principal may exempt students from the dress code upon written request from parents/carers on the grounds of:

- religious, cultural or ethnic reasons
- financial hardship
- medical reasons
- any other grounds, as the Governing Council may determine

All uniform items, except footwear, can be purchased through East Torrens Primary School, Front Office. Some second-hand items may be available, depending on donations, and may only be in certain sizes.

HATS:

- Hats are to be worn for all outside activities during Term 1 and Term 4. Students not wearing a hat when required will need to sit out in an undercover area. "No hat, defined play area".
- During Terms 2 and 3 the wearing of the school hat for outside activities is optional.
- Each student is given a hat by the school on enrolment. If this is lost it becomes the parent/carers responsibility to purchase a new school hat. The school hat is in accordance of recommendations set by the Anti-Cancer Council.

UNIFORM ITEMS:

- navy blue/green windcheater with ¼ zip, with school logo
- navy blue/white windcheater with full zip, with school logo
- specialty designed jackets (for Year 7's only)
- polo shirts, short sleeved, with school logo
- polo shirts, long sleeved, with school logo
- round neck t-shirts with school logo
- navy blue track pants
- navy blue cargo pants – 2 styles
- navy blue bootleg pant
- navy blue knit shorts
- navy blue cargo shorts

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- navy blue skorts – 2 styles
- navy blue bucket hats
- navy blue or white head scarves

ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVES:

If students wear items not from the above list, they must be plain navy blue in colour

- plain track pants, no stripes
- navy blue skirts are acceptable but must be of a reasonable length
- plain navy leggings or tights are also acceptable, only when worn with skirts, shorts or skorts
- blue and white check dresses are also acceptable

FOOTWEAR:

- Covered footwear such as sneakers or enclosed black shoes/sandals are acceptable. Footwear needs to be comfortable allowing students to participate in sport and/or daily fitness/play activities.
- Thongs and high heeled shoes are not permitted for safety reasons. Under no circumstances are students to wear football boots to school. They may bring them only when they are representing the school in sporting activities.
- Socks should be worn with shoes and we encourage plain white, grey or other school colours.

Please note:

- **Jeans are not acceptable**
- **students wearing inappropriate clothing may be provided with spare/emergency clothing and asked to change**

HAIR/HEAD WEAR:

- Hair should be worn in a style and colour practical for school.
- Longer hair needs be tied back, preferably with plain school colour ribbons or elastics.
- Head scarves may be worn for religious and cultural reasons and should be plain colours of navy blue or white.
- Beanies and scarves worn for warmth should also be school colours or need to be taken off, once at school.

JEWELRY/MAKE UP:

For safety reasons, jewellery should be kept to a minimum:

- earrings - only sleepers
- watches are acceptable.
- necklaces can be worn inside clothing and only if necessary or for cultural or religious reasons.
- **Make up and coloured nail polish is not appropriate for school. Any students wearing these will be provided with the appropriate cosmetics to remove them.**

CASUAL DAY:

The last day of each term is designated as 'Casual Days'. On these days, students are able to wear clothes that are not school uniform but need to include clothing that covers underwear appropriately, their shoulders (to be sun safe) and footwear that is safe for school activities. Often 'Casual Days' will be a fundraising event and a gold coin donation is advertised.

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