

Purpose of the School Dress Code

Uniform

Lowood State High School has a School Dress Code that is selected, supported and endorsed by the Parents and Citizens Association. The Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 empowers a school to specify a School Dress Code. A School Dress Code allows a school to specify:

- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to clothing, including headwear and footwear
- Standards of what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of the personal presentation of students

The School Dress Code

- Promotes a sense of belonging and pride in the school and community
- Gives the school a unique identity and a unified approach to achieving common goals
- Creates a sense of equity for students
- Is practical in its application to a wide range of physical activities
- Ensures students observe health, safety and decency standards

Consequences for not complying with the School Dress Code

- Any student not complying with the School Dress Code, on arrival at School, must go straight to the Deans Office
- The student's name will be recorded and they will be asked to correct their uniform
- If necessary, they will be provided with a loan uniform for the day

Consequences for continued non-compliance with the School Dress Code include:

- Parents/Carers will be contacted
- Further detentions or internal suspension
- A review of the Student's behaviour level
- Preventing the student from attending or participating in any activity for which the student would have been representing the school

Please Note

- Parents/carers are encouraged to work with the school before uniform issues arise so that satisfactory arrangements can be made
- Students representing the school in any extra-curricular activity or sporting activity must follow the School Dress Code

Formal Uniform Must be worn Monday

The Formal Uniform must be worn on Mondays and for nominated formal occasions such as excursions and school functions. It may also be worn on any other day of the week.

Students **must BRING their Sports Uniform** to change into prior to HPE lessons on Mondays, and should change back into their Formal Uniform after their HPE class on that day. Students must leave school grounds at the end of the day in their Formal Uniform.

Junior School Dress Code - Years 7 - 9

All items must be purchased from the P&C Uniform Shop except for socks, shoes, and belts. Track pants and dress pants must be purchased from the P&C Uniform Shop.

Boys and Girls Sports Uniform

- LSHS junior polo shirt
- LSHS sports shorts

Boys Formal Uniform

- The Formal Uniform must be worn on Mondays and nominated formal occasions but may also be worn on any other day of the week
- LSHS white button-up shirt with school logo, worn tucked-in when engaged in learning but is not required to be tucked-in at lunch breaks
- LSHS formal shorts or pants
- Plain black belt with a small plain buckle



Girls Formal Uniform

- The Formal Uniform must be worn on Mondays and nominated formal occasions but may also be worn on any other day of the week
- LSHS white blouse with school logo
- LSHS skirt – hems must not be above 10cm from the knee, shorts or pants

Senior School Dress Code – Years 10 - 12

All items must be purchased from the P&C Uniform Shop except for socks, shoes and belts. Track pants and dress pants must be purchased from the P&C Uniform Shop.

Boys and Girls Sports Uniform

- LSHS senior polo shirt
- LSHS sports shorts

Boys Formal Uniform

- The Formal Uniform must be worn on Mondays and nominated formal occasions but may also be worn on any other day of the week.
- LSHS white button up shirt with school logo,
- LSHS formal shorts or pants
- Plain black belt with a small plain buckle

LSHS tie

- Wearing the school tie is preferred throughout all terms
- Wearing the school tie in Terms 2 and 3 is required
- Wearing the school tie in Terms 1 and 4 is optional (because of the heat), however, ties still must be worn on all formal occasions eg for school photos, Badge Ceremony, Presentation Ceremony etc



Girls Formal Uniform

- The Formal Uniform must be worn on Mondays and nominated formal occasions but may also be worn on any other day of the week
- LSHS white blouse with school logo
- LSHS skirt – hems must not be above 10cm from the knee, shorts or pants

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Foot Wear

Socks

- Plain black or plain white short socks are to be worn – no logos, stripes or other colours
- Socks must be below calf

Shoes

Shoes that can be worn with the Formal Uniform

- Black leather or water resistant synthetic leather shoe or jogger
- Have a substantial upper and cover the whole foot
- Have a black sole, black laces and no other colours, including coloured logos



Shoes that can be worn with the Sports Uniform

- Students must wear acceptable sports shoes
- Students must wear shoes that meet Industry Workplace Health and Safety Regulations and subject requirements. Please see Stationery Requirements List for Health and Physical Education, Hospitality, Home Economics and Manual Arts
- Students may also wear the Formal Uniform shoe/jogger (which is black) with the Sports Uniform



Shoes not permitted

- thongs, scuffs, ugg boots
- work-boots are not to be worn with uniform other than in the designated classes



Winter Uniform

- Jumpers - bottle green 'v' neck jumper with embroidered logo
- LSHS Sports jacket
- LSHS track pants
- Yellow polar fleece scarf (available at the Uniform Shop)
- Black tights/stockings for girls in winter to be worn with the Formal Uniform only
- All tights/stockings must cover the entire foot in the shoe



Not Permitted

Jeans, cargo pants, visible t-shirts under the school shirt, stripes or logos on shorts/pants, hooded jumpers and socks.

Uniform items are available at the P&C Uniform Shop, located in the Canteen, except for socks, shoes and belts.

Jewellery and Personal Grooming

- Students are required to be clean and neatly dressed
- Make-up that is discrete is acceptable
- Facial piercings are not appropriate for school but if worn must be small, plain and clear. Ear spacer loops, coloured ear spacers, spikes, glass studs, septum piercing and bars.
- Hair must be clean and tidy and comply with Workplace Health and Safety provisions.
- Styles such as mohawks and dreadlocks are inappropriate
- Hair accessories are to be of a modest size and a nature
- All ear piercings must be small, plain studs or sleepers
- Dangle or drop earrings are NOT acceptable
- No other jewellery items or accessories are allowed

Sun-Safety

- In accordance with the School's Sun Safety guidelines, all students should wear a suitable hat or cap when outside the classroom
- LSHS cap or bucket hat is optional and can be purchased from the P & C Uniform Shop
- It is recommended that students use sunscreen whenever they are going to be involved in outdoor activities

Quick Reference Uniform Chart

UNIFORM ITEM	PERMITTED	NOT PERMITTED
SHOES Workplace health and safety requirements mandate this type of footwear to ensure the safety of students	- Formal Uniform – fully enclosed school shoes, totally black soles and uppers with black laces. Shoes must be heavy duty leather or synthetic leather that is water resistant - Sports Uniform – fully enclosed sports shoes of any colour that hold the foot firmly in the shoe. They must be suitable for the sports activity - It is possible to purchase a supportive, sports style shoe which is leather or synthetic leather which can therefore be worn with both uniforms - Mesh sports shoes are permitted for sport activities; however, they do not meet WH&S requirements in some practical subjects	- Canvas or slip-on shoes, including Dunlop Volleys, Converse, Vans etc. - Ankle boots style shoes are not permitted with either uniform - Slip-on lightweight leather upper shoes - Ballet shoes or Mary-Jane style - See subject requirements list for Health and Physical Education, Hospitality, Home Economics and Manual Arts that meet Industry Workplace Health and Safety Regulations
SOCKS	- Plain white or plain black socks with no logos or markings - Socks must sit below the calf	- Socks above the calf - Socks with Logos - Coloured socks - Knee high socks or stockings
GIRLS BLOUSES AND TIES	- Girls formal school blouse - Senior school (10, 11, 12) must wear ties during Term 2 and 3 - winter months, but may choose to wear them every Term - Blouses must cover the tops of pants or skirts - Undershirts which are white and not visible under the shirt hems, collars and sleeves	- Open blouse tops - Undone ties - Visible midriffs - Visible belts (of any material) - Undershirts which can be seen
BOYS SHIRTS AND TIES	- Boys formal school shirt - Senior school (10, 11, 12) must wear ties during Term 2 and 3 - winter months, but may choose to wear them every Term - Undershirts which are white and not visible under the shirt hems, collars and sleeves	- Open buttons - Undone ties - Visible midriffs - Undershirts which can be seen
FORMAL SKIRTS	- Girls formal skirt with LSHS embroidered on it, worn at knee length - Black stockings can be worn with the formal skirt covering the whole foot	- Girls formal skirts must not be above 10cm from the knee - Non-Uniform skirts - Skirts are not to be rolled-up at the waist - Leggings are not permitted
PANTS	- Charcoal formal trousers (male and female option) - School track suit pants with sports uniform	- Non-uniform pants - Jeans of all types - Pants that are rolled up at the leg or waist
SHORTS	- Sports shorts with school logo on left leg (unisex) - Charcoal formal shorts for boys	- Shortened or rolled-up shorts - Rugby and cargo shorts - Other shorts with non-school logo
BELTS	- Plain black belts - Flat buckles	- Coloured belts - Belts with studs and decorative buckles

Quick Reference Uniform Chart Continued

UNIFORM ITEM	PERMITTED	NOT PERMITTED
POLO SHIRTS - Sports Uniform	• LSHS School Sports polo shirts with Logo • Senior school and Junior School styles are available	• Non LSHS polo shirts
SLEEVES AND COLLARS	• Sleeves must be rolled down • Collars must be out	• Rolled-up sleeves • Tucked in collars
JEWELLERY / BODY PIERCING	• Medical alert items e.g. bracelets • Watch and one simple, flat ring • Standard studs and/or standard sized sleepers as earrings, no bars • One small nose piercing stud. Any other facial piercings must have a plastic retainer • Necklace which is simple and fine (able to be broken if caught) any attachments are not to be visible above shirt neckline	• Rings that are not flat • Ear spacer loops, ear spacers, spikes • Necklaces that are visible above the collar • Necklaces that are thick or have large links • Dangling earrings
	Items of significant religious belief: On receipt of a written request from a parent or carer, the Principal will seek advice from an independent third party regarding the religious or cultural significance of jewellery. Any approved jewellery must be worn inside the student's shirt, that is, it should be unsighted. Any items worn around the neck must be unseen, that is on a long chain or lace or with shirt buttons done up.	
MAKE-UP	• Discrete skin toned or doctor prescribed foundation • Clear lip balm	• Eyeliner, mascara and eye shadow • Coloured lip gloss
HAIR	• Hair must be neatly groomed and fit expectations of a work environment • Hair accessories must be of a modest size and nature, suitable for a work environment	• Hair that is not neatly groomed and/or is not fit for a work environment • Extreme haircuts or styles • Excessively large hair clips or decorations • Bandanas, headscarves and beanies • Hair that poses a WH&S risk and/or is a distraction to learning
HATS	• School hat or cap with Lowood State High logo • A hat or cap which is sun safe	• Hats and caps with offensive or inappropriate logos, writing or images • Beanies, headscarves and bandanas
JUMPERS (FOR COOLER MONTHS)	• Items purchased from the school Uniform Shop – zip- up spray jacket with school logo or woollen jumper with school logo • Senior jerseys for current year only	• All other jumpers and jackets
SCARVES	• Yellow fleecy scarf available at the uniform shop	• All other scarves