

EAST BUTLER PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL DRESS CODE



East Butler Primary School's School Dress Code has been developed with the endorsement of the East Butler School Board and is consistent with the Department of Education's *Dress Requirements for Students in W.A. Public Schools*.

The school expects every student to be in school uniform. Parents, staff and students support the school's Dress Code. Enrolment at the school is on the understanding that the school's Dress Code will be adhered to.

OUR BELIEFS:

East Butler School Board believes our School Dress Code:

- fosters and enhances a positive public image of our great school;
- assists with maintaining safety of students through easier identification;
- assists in building school and team spirit;
- encourages equity among students; and
- prepares students for work, as many places have dress expectations and safety codes.

DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) School wide brim **HAT** or plain navy blue wide brim hat. (Optional school logo is available to sew on). Wide brim hats are best for sun protection and no other style of hat is acceptable. For safety reasons, please ensure there is no chin string attached.
- 2) School **POLO** t-shirt with collar (terracotta/navy blue with the school logo on the front top left-hand side).
- 3) An optional school **FACTION** t-shirt can be worn by students only on their specified Sports Day(s) at school.
- 4) An optional red school **KINDY** t-shirt can be worn by Kindy children.
- 5) A current school **GRADUATION** shirt may be worn by graduating students.
- 6) School **DRESS**.
- 7) School **SHORTS**, pleated **SKIRT** or skort (or plain navy blue clothes of similar style). Boardshorts are not allowed.
- 8) School zip-front **JACKET** or windcheater (or plain navy blue windcheater or jacket of similar style).
- 9) School **TRACKSUIT** pants (or plain navy blue long pants of similar style).
- 10) **SOCKS** should preferably be black, white or navy or of similar conservative colours.
- 11) **FOOTWEAR:** Runners are highly recommended as the most appropriate and safest footwear for students to wear at all times with their school uniform. Only runners are allowed to be worn on students' allocated Sports Days. On non-sport days sandals may be worn as a second choice. Sandals must have a back strap, flat rubber sole and be appropriate for students to continue to be able to participate in all activities at school while wearing them. Both runners and sandals should preferably be black, white or navy or of similar conservative colours. Shoes such as thongs, crocs, slip-on shoes, high heels, pumps, boots, skate shoes or shoes that have flashing lights etc. are not allowed.
- 12) **Sports Carnival Day:** School faction t-shirt or plain t-shirt in faction colour, plain navy sport shorts/trackpants or skort, school hat and runners.
- 13) Plain black or navy leggings, stockings or bike shorts may be worn underneath a skirt, skort or dress. Leggings or bike shorts are not allowed to be worn by themselves with a school polo shirt. Jeggings are not allowed. If a skivvy is worn under the school polo shirt it must be plain navy.
- 14) **HAIR:** for hygienic purposes and for head lice prevention all shoulder-length hair (or longer) must be fully tied back. All hair decorations must be conservative. Coloured hair dye is not allowed.
- 15) The wearing of **JEWELLERY** is not allowed with the exception of watches and medic alerts. One set of sleepers or studs is acceptable; all other visible body piercings are not allowed.
- 16) The wearing of **MAKE UP** (including coloured nail polish and temporary tattoos) is not allowed.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE REGARDING THE DRESS CODE and OTHER ITEMS:

- ❖ The school has a strict policy of “No (wide brim) hat, no play, all day, every day” at East Butler PS.
- ❖ When referring to plain navy blue items: these must be free from any patterns, stripes, non-school logos etc.
- ❖ A Sports uniform is not prescribed however as stated, students may wear their faction t-shirt on their allocated Sports Days.
- ❖ Free Dress Days or Special Events Days will from time-to-time be held. These events are advertised in the newsletter or CONNECT and are exempt from the dress code.
- ❖ The Principal reserves the right to direct a student to change into school wear that will be provided should that student present to school in an item of clothing with a logo or words that is considered offensive, distasteful or inappropriate. In this situation the student’s parent shall be notified.
- ❖ Department of Education and Training’s *Dress Requirements for Students in W.A. Public Schools* states that the wearing of denim is not an appropriate part of dress requirements for students in W.A. public schools.
- ❖ Students will not be permitted to go on excursions without full school uniform.
- ❖ **Library bags:**
Due to the loss each year of many school library books from water damage, only waterproof library bags can be used. This can either be a school library bag, a plastic wallet or a plastic packet. Library books cannot be taken out by students without a waterproof library ‘bag’.

EXEMPTIONS FROM THE DRESS CODE

Families of students who for religious or health reasons, may wish to modify the school dress code are required to make an appointment and discuss this issue with the Principal. Staff will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.

SANCTIONS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

- Teachers will inform Administration if a child is not suitably dressed for school after determining that this is not a one-off occurrence. Parents will either be contacted by the school or a note will be sent home with the student concerned.
- Students and their families not following the dress code will receive:
 - counselling on the benefits of a dress code;
 - assistance/support in complying with the dress code, if necessary, and
 - assistance in resolving any issue, including referral to the School Board.
- Any student that is consistently found to be not observing the dress code may have sanctions applied by the Principal, as prescribed in the *School Education Regulations 2000*. Such sanctions may include students being prevented from representing the school or excluded from participation in activities that are deemed by the Principal to be not part of the educational program.

REVIEW OF DRESS CODE

East Butler’s School Dress Code will be reviewed regularly by the School Board. Any changes shall be notified to families through the newsletter and published on our website.

*East Butler PS Dress Code
Endorsed by East Butler School Board
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Wendy Gallagher- Principal _____

Nicole James- Board Chair _____