

UNIFORM POLICY

GENERAL STATEMENT

The uniform is seen as an important part of everyday school life. The key messages to students about the uniform are: i) a smartly-dressed student population is a positive representation of our school, well-received in the community; ii) getting the small things right with dress and appearance allow a student to focus on the more important tasks of learning and achieving at school. All aspects of the uniform are compulsory. If any student continues to disregard the uniform code the Principal and parents will deal with the issue together. An interview / conference will be called to address the issue of support for Heritage Christian School's policies with regard uniform. As an aspect of school identity and belonging, the uniform code is important, and a school-wide expression of support is essential.

School uniform is compulsory, and it is expected that the uniform be worn correctly and in a tidy manner.

General Information

- Uniform is available for purchase at Lowes, Settlement City, Port Macquarie
- All items except school shoes should be purchased from Lowes.
- No extra clothing that is visible can be worn. E.g.: T-shirts that show above the neckline or hemline of shirts or designs and logos that are visible through shirts.
- Shirts and blouses must not be visible below the level of jumpers and blazers.

All Students K-12

Formal Occasions

Students will be required to wear their full formal uniform (normal school uniform for Primary) at formal school events such as the end of year Thanksgiving Service and other occasions throughout the year as directed by the Secondary Deputy Principal.

Hair:

Extremes of hair colour are not acceptable. This includes extreme hair colours and cuts.

K-9 students' hair should be tied back if it is long and should not cover the eyes. Hair should be tied back by a navy or white ribbon or scrunchie, or navy or white elastics. No 'fashion cuts' or extreme hairstyles such as skin heads, mohawks, rats tails or mullets.

10-12 students' hair must be off the face and hair must be tied back before entering any practical classroom. E.g.: Science, D&T and Food Technology.

Make-up:

No make-up or coloured nail polish, other than discreet foundation for Years 11-12.

Jewellery:

Permissible items include:

- A watch.
- One pair of plain, discreet ear studs worn in the ear lobes.

Note: No other piercings are permitted at school or at any school-sponsored events.

Hats:

Junior School: Broad-brim HCS hat or cap with logo. A "no hat, no play" policy applies for the whole year for the K-6.

Secondary School: Broad-brim HCS hat or cap with logo are required for 7-12 students playing sport and during all outdoor activities including recess and lunchtime. This is compulsory for all students.

School Swimming Activities:

Girls: must wear a suitable and appropriate one-piece swimsuit. A rash-shirt and / or board shorts may also be required for some activities.

Boys: must wear board shorts and a rash-shirt when required for some activities.

School mufti dress code:

On special occasions or for some excursions students may be invited to wear 'mufti.' Parents will be notified of these days.

Students must wear appropriate clothing and appropriate shoes. No midriiffs, no singlets, no short skirts, no short dresses, no short shorts, no inappropriate or offensive logos or text on any clothing.

Any student wearing clothing deemed to be inappropriate or too revealing will be asked to remedy the situation or where this is not possible, a parent may be contacted to take the student home to change their clothes.

Primary (Kindy-Year 6)

Boys & Girls:

All seasons uniform: Teal/navy HCS sport polo; navy HCS sports shorts; short navy socks (ankles covered), Navy HCS track suit pants; navy HCS sweat shirt or zip up HCS jacket. (HCS skorts for girls coming to Lowes in 2022)

Shoes: All black joggers (no coloured graphics or other colours) or black leather lace up school shoes. No coloured laces, no volleys or canvas shoes.

Junior Secondary Year 7 – Year 10

Boys Formal Uniform – HCS white short-sleeve shirt with logo; HCS navy elastic waist shorts with HCS logo or HCS navy trousers; navy socks; navy HCS zip up jacket with logo, navy wool jumper with logo or HCS navy sweatshirt with logo.

Shoes: black leather lace up shoes, low-cut below the ankle. No skate shoes, volleys, canvas shoes, hi-cut shoes, or thongs.

Note: for safety reasons, students must wear their leather lace up shoes to participate in any practical lessons. (e.g.: Food Tech, D&T & Science)

Girls Formal Uniform – HCS teal check two-pleat skirt or HCS navy stretch slacks with logo, skirts need to be to the top of the knee in length; HCS white short-sleeve linen blouse with logo; white socks or navy opaque stockings. No knee length socks and no tights. HCS navy zip up jacket with logo, HCS navy wool jumper with logo or HCS navy sweatshirt with logo.

Shoes: Black leather lace up shoes. No ballet/slip on style shoes, boots, volleys or canvas shoes.

Note: for safety reasons, students must wear their leather lace up shoes to participate in any practical lessons.

Boys and Girls Sports Uniform – HCS teal / navy sport polo; HCS navy sport shorts (not rolled or shortened) or HCS navy track suit pants in colder months; white or navy socks.

Note: Sports uniform only to be worn on sport days or on the days students have a PDHPE or PASS practical lesson as specified by teachers.

Shoes: good supportive lace up sport joggers. No volleys or canvas shoes and no coloured laces.

Note: for safety reasons, students must wear their leather lace up shoes to participate in any practical lessons.

Senior Secondary Years 11 – 12

Boys Formal Uniform – HCS white short-sleeve shirt with logo; HCS school tie; HCS navy long elastic waisted trousers or HCS navy elastic waisted shorts; navy socks; HCS navy wool jumper with logo, HCS navy zip up jacket with logo or HCS school blazer.

Shorts & Trousers - Boys' shorts and trousers should not be baggy and should be worn on the waist. Shorts must not extend over the knees.

Shoes: black leather lace up shoes, low-cut below the ankle. No skate shoes, volleys, canvas shoes, hi-cut shoes, or thongs.

Note: for safety reasons, students must wear their leather lace up shoes to participate in any practical lessons.

Girls Formal Uniform – HCS navy skirt, two pleats front, plain back, skirts need to be to the top of the knee in length or HCS navy stretch slacks; HCS white short-sleeve linen blouse with logo; HCS school tie; white ankle length socks with no other colour visible or navy opaque stockings. No knee length socks and no tights. HCS navy wool jumper with logo, HCS navy zip up jacket with logo or HCS school blazer.

Shoes: Black leather lace shoes. No ballet/slip on style shoes, skate shoes, boots, volleys, canvas shoes, or sandals.

Note: for safety reasons, students must wear their leather lace up shoes to participate in any practical lessons.

Sports Uniform – (As per junior secondary sports uniform.) Seniors only to wear sports uniform on days with special sporting events or on the days students have PDHPE & SLR practical lessons as specified by the teacher.