



Student Dress Code

Cairns State Special School seeks parents support in ensuring all students are wearing full school uniform including appropriate footwear at all times. The wearing of full school uniform conveys a sense of pride in students and in their school. It also fosters a sense of belonging and connection, and promotes the safety of our students.

Cairns State Special School has a student dress code which has the full support and endorsement of the P and C and our school community. The school uniform should be worn with pride by students at all times and full compliance with the dress code is expected. Due to sensory considerations, some students within the school may not be able to fully comply with the dress code and this should be discussed with school staff. For these students, in consultation with parents, a plan will be put into place to support the student to wear the full school uniform.

Uniform

- school shirt (Junior Years P-6; Middle Years 7-10; Senior Years 11-12)
- school shorts (Junior – navy blue with CSSS; Middle and Senior – navy blue with sublimated panel)
- navy blue tracksuit pants
- navy blue jumper or jacket
- navy wide brim hat

Special Event / Activity / Cohort Shirts

Our senior students (Year 6 and Year 12) purchase a senior shirt as a special part of our uniform that indicates their senior status. Orders will be placed early in the school year.

School polo shirts, shorts and hats are available to purchase from the school office.

Foot Protection

Closed in shoes with socks should be worn. Correct footwear allows students to participate safely in all areas of the school curriculum including sports, community based instruction and work skills. Slipper type shoes, thongs and sandals are not appropriate for school due to safety reasons.

Hats

Hats are a part of our school uniform. Cairns State Special School recognises the health benefits of wearing hats and will be applying to be accredited as a SUNSMART school. Students must wear a navy wide brim hat, bucket hat or legionnaire hat. School hats are available for purchase from the office. If your child forgets to bring his/her hat, he/she will play under roofed, full shade areas.

Jewellery

In the interests of their own safety students are to limit the wearing of jewellery. Students may wear a watch, simple sleepers or stud earrings and a signet ring. All other jewellery is considered a potential safety risk at school and may limit a student's ability to participate in the diverse learning activities including sporting activities at school in safety.

If a student comes dressed for school in nonapproved clothing items they may be required to wear a school-provided alternative for the school day. Alternatively, a parent / caregiver may be contacted and asked to bring clothing that conforms with the school's dress code. Inappropriate dress is defined as clothing or apparel that is, or could be deemed to be: offensive; likely to disrupt, or negatively influence, the normal operation of the school; unsafe for student or others; and likely to result in a risk to the health of the student or others.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours

School shirts, shorts and hats are available from the administration building – 8am – 4pm.
(In 2017, uniform will be available from **9th January**.)
