

BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE



UNIFORM POLICY

Students attending Belridge Secondary College are required to be clean and appropriately dressed for all college activities.

The college has in place a student dress code which was implemented after wide consultation with parents, teachers and students. This dress code is vigorously supported by the Student Council and has become part of the culture of the college.

Parents and students are informed of the requirements of the dress code prior to the student being enrolled. Acceptance of enrolment at Belridge Secondary College assumes an agreement between the college, the parent and the enrolling student that the student will conform to the college dress code.

Grounds for exemption from college dress requirements will be raised and agreement reached by the Student Services and/or Executive Team.

Grounds for modification are matters relating to student health, ethnic considerations, religion, or any other matter which, in the Principal's opinion, is sufficient to exempt a student from college dress requirements.

Students with an exemption will be noted on Compass and given a pass to keep in their planner.

COLLEGE DRESS REQUIREMENTS

The law governing compulsory college dress has been endorsed by the College Board, parents, students and teachers. Wearing college dress minimises the following aspects of college life:

1. Students competing with each other to wear more expensive clothing with popular designer labels and the consequent pressure on parents to purchase this type of clothing as college wear.
2. The formation of cult groups based on dress and the unacceptable behaviour that can be generated by such a group.
3. The overall cost of dressing students for college.
4. Non-students entering the college campus, as they will be easily recognised.

The college colours are: NAVY BLUE, RED and WHITE. The college dress has been designed to incorporate these colours.

BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY – RESPONSIBILITIES

THE BEST OUTCOMES ARE ACHIEVED IN REACHING A GOAL WHEN THE COLLEGE, THE STUDENTS AND THE PARENTS KNOW THE RESPONSIBILITIES INVOLVED AND STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE IN MEETING THEM. THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COLLEGE, THE STUDENTS AND HOW THE PARENTS CAN HELP WITH RESPECT TO THE COLLEGE'S UNIFORM POLICY ARE OUTLINED BELOW.

ELEMENTS	THE COLLEGE'S RESPONSIBILITIES	THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES	HOW PARENTS CAN HELP
THE DRESS CODE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that an appropriate college uniform is in place. Publicise and promote this clearly and widely throughout the college community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know the requirements of the college uniform policy. Understand that as a student in this college, you must conform to the college uniform requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be familiar with the college uniform policy. Know that students have to conform to college uniform requirements unless an exception has been approved by the Principal for religious, health or other valid reasons.
AVAILABILITY OF COLLEGE UNIFORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribute Uniform Concepts flyer. Ensure that eligible parents are aware of, and make use of, the college clothing subsidy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the help of parents, make sure you have enough items of college uniform for everyday wear. Make sure that not all your college uniform is in the wash at the same time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that there are enough items of college uniform for every day. Supply written explanation, to the HOSS, if wearing of college uniform is not possible on any particular day.
WEARING COLLEGE UNIFORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that all students know that they must wear college uniform. Inform parents when students do not wear college uniform. Ask students to change into college uniform when there is repeated failure to wear college uniform, or items of clothing are offensive due to odor, logos or slogans. Arrange a meeting with the parents if the problem persists. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear college uniform at all times. Expect to be sent to Student Services if you are not in college uniform Expect to be told to change if you are out-of-college uniform, The college may temporarily provide you with items of college uniform. Expect a meeting through Student Services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strongly remind your student of the obligation to wear college uniform. Expect a meeting through Student Services.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTING EVENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure students are informed of dress requirements. Ensure that students have adequate time to change in and out of Physical Education clothing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring the required Physical Education clothing and change in and out of it before and after you have physical education. Do not wear Physical Education clothing to ordinary classes. Wear shorts for all students for all water-based activities (including Belsurf and outdoor education classes). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that your child has the Physical Education college uniform. Ensure that your child has necessary items for water-based activities.
OUT-OF-COLLEGE ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform students that they must be in college uniform when going to, or coming from, out-of-college activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be in college uniform for out-of-college activities unless otherwise instructed. Expect to be excluded from the activity if you are not dressed appropriately. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be aware of the college's requirements. Encourage the wearing of college uniform.
SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY STUDENT SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform students that they will be at risk of losing their Good Standing which could lead to exclusion of extra-curricular events. <p>First Discretion: Warning Second Discretion: Recess/Lunch detention Third Discretion: After school detention</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear college uniform at all times. Be prepared to receive sanctions if you do not conform to the college uniform policy. Change your attitude to avoid future sanctions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intervene as early as possible to encourage your child to make positive choices. Work with the college to develop a positive partnership to help resolve the problem. Realise that a change in the student's attitude will avoid the problem in the future.

1) Everyday Wear

- (a) Navy blue shorts or skirt mid-thigh length, trousers or tracksuit pants (no stripes, and insignia must be smaller than a 20 cent piece).
- (b) Belridge SC Senior College or Middle College polo top must be worn at all times.
- (c) Belridge SC jacket or a plain navy blue jumper (no markings / writing) for wet or cold weather. No hooded jumpers are acceptable.
- (d) Hats or caps for outside activities.
Note: Hats or caps may not be worn inside.
- (e) Enclosed footwear that conforms to safety standards (Ugg boots do not conform to safety standards).
- (f) Stockings/nylons must be non-patterned black or navy blue.
- (g) Leggings must be plain navy blue and worn with a skirt or shorts.
- (h) Undershirts must be navy blue or white.
- (i) Socks must be no higher than mid shin.

2) Physical Education

A change of navy blue shorts, skirt or track pants and a red PE shirt.

3) Water-Based Activities

- a) All students must wear shorts for water-based activities. This is including Belsurf and Outdoor Education Classes.
- b) Sun-smart T-shirts or rash shirts are preferred for these activities.

4) Unacceptable Student Dress

- (a) All items of clothing, and colours not listed as part of the college uniform requirements.
- (b) Any items of clothing in a dirty, torn or malodourous condition.
- (c) Any items the Administration deems to be inappropriate.