

De La Salle College

Student Uniform Policy



De La Salle College is a school which operates with the consent of the Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne and is owned, operated and governed by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS).

The College uniform is an important part of our identity as a Lasallian College and is compulsory for all students. It must be worn correctly at all times. The De La Salle uniform, with its iconic blue and gold blazer, is well recognised and equally well regarded within the community. As a College community, we anticipate and expect our students will wear their uniform with pride. In wearing the uniform correctly students indicate a great respect for themselves as persons and the College community as a whole.

Parents, families and all members of our College community play a role in ensuring we maintain a culture of engagement and achievement. Collectively, we play a critical role in preparing our students to learn, live and lead in a rapidly changing world. Parents, families and staff can support our students by attending to uniform expectations and appropriate grooming thereby supporting broader attempts to build social cohesion across the College.

Guidelines

Our College uniform:

- will be suitable for the various activities undertaken by our students
- will be able to be worn with pride by our students
- will include a code for hair style
- will not discriminate, either directly or indirectly, against any students.

Definition

The term 'uniform' refers to all aspects of clothing, jewellery and general appearance.

Appearance

Students are expected to wear clothing which is clean, tidy and well maintained.

Shoes should be clean and polished. All students are required to wear black leather school shoes with the school uniform, without exception.

Neat haircuts are required, with hair to be groomed at all times. Hair must be above the collar and the fringe length must be off the face and not tucked behind the ears. Examples of inappropriate styling include, but are not limited to: tails, mohawks, shaved heads, ponytails, dreadlocks, undercuts, mullets, lines, hair cut shorter than No. 2 clipper/combs and extreme high fade. There should be no variation to normal hair colour.

Jewellery, except for a watch and a religious medal (cross) on a necklace, is not to be worn with the College uniform.

Jewellery including ear, tongue and/or facial rings (even when covered with tape), wrist bands/bracelets and rings on fingers are not acceptable.

Students are not permitted to have visible tattoos.

Students are to be clean-shaven at all times.

Students who fail to meet College expectations regarding appearance and uniform may be sent home by the Year Level/House Coordinator, Director of Students or Year 9 Head of Campus.

Uniform Regulations

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure all items of clothing are clearly marked with their name.

The full school uniform is the winter uniform, which must be worn in Terms 2 and 3. Students have the option of wearing shorts rather than trousers with their winter shirt (tucked in), tie, jumper and blazer if they prefer. A College branded beanie and scarf are also available for students to wear in Terms 2 and 3 only. Beanies are an outdoor item of uniform and are not to be worn inside classrooms. Scarves may be worn indoors, but in practical classes such as Science and Technology students may be asked to remove them for safety. This is a privilege that may be withdrawn if the student repeatedly fails to support the College Student Uniform Policy. In Terms 1 and 4, students have the option of wearing the summer uniform.

Terms 1 and 4 (Compulsory items)

- Shirt: Short sleeve, white monogrammed school shirt. The short sleeve shirt may be worn outside the shorts. As an alternative, students are permitted to wear their winter shirt with tie and blazer, with the shirt tucked in;
- Shorts: Navy blue walk shorts;
- Jumper: Navy blue monogrammed pullover. This is not to be worn as the outside garment to and from school;
- Socks: Blue marle school socks with shorts;
- Shoes: Black leather shoes (clean and polished);
- Hat: Blue College cap or wide brimmed hat (compulsory for primary students);
- Only the official De La Salle school bag is acceptable.

NB: The only garments that can be worn on the outside to and from school are either the short sleeve monogrammed shirt or the De La Salle College blazer. Whenever the uniform is worn in the public domain, it must be worn with the College blazer.

Terms 2 and 3 (Compulsory items)

- Shirt: White, long sleeve shirt with the top button done up. Students need to ensure that ties are tightened with the knot pulled up to the collar. Shirts are to be tucked in at all times (this is not enforced when students are engaged in sporting activities at recess or lunchtime);
- Trousers: Grey trousers, not excessively baggy or oversized, with black belt;
- Jumper: Navy blue monogrammed pullover;
- Blazer: The De La Salle College blazer is the external garment to be worn to and from school and to all assemblies;
- Socks: Grey or black socks with trousers (if wearing shorts, the socks must be blue marle school socks);
- Shoes: Black leather shoes (clean and polished);
- If students prefer to wear shorts, then the navy blue walk shorts and blue marle school socks are compulsory.

NB: The College spray jacket is part of the sports uniform and is not an alternative to the De La Salle College blazer. It may only be worn over the blazer coming to and from school when raining and must be removed when the student is at school.

Sports Uniform

Tiverton Campus

Students are permitted to wear the sports uniform only on days when they have timetabled PE classes.

Holy Eucharist Campus

Students are permitted to wear the sports uniform only on days when they have a double period within Discovery which will be allocated to Physical Education.

Kinnoull Campus

Year 10 students are permitted to wear the sports uniform when they have their timetabled PE classes. Year 11 and 12 students are permitted to wear their sports uniform on Wednesdays to attend Internal or ACC Sport. The sports uniform is not to be worn to or from school by any other student.

Hats

The College cap or wide brimmed hat is compulsory for primary school students in Term 1 and Term 4 and is encouraged at all year levels.

Beanie and Scarf

Only the College branded beanie and scarf may be worn during Terms 2 and 3.

Jumper

The school jumper may be worn in winter or summer however it is not to be worn as an outer garment.

School Bag

The College School bag is required and is part of the College uniform.

Sunscreen Protection

The College takes great care to exercise our duty of care to ensure that our students are protected against foreseeable harm and variations to the weather and/or UV. This includes taking proper steps to reduce the known health risks associated with occupational exposure to solar UVR for students who participate in activities outdoors.

For all major outdoor College activities such as the De La Salle Swimming and Athletics Carnivals and at all College Camps the College make the provision of SPF 30+ broad spectrum sunscreen available to our students. Students are also encouraged to purchase and apply their own sunscreen. To work safely in the sun, students should follow the instruction of the First Aid Officer or delegate.

NB: There is always sunscreen available in the Primary Classrooms, at the Tiverton Health Centre and Kinnoull Reception.

Out of Uniform Cards

Students not wearing the correct uniform should have a note from parents and must obtain an "Out of Uniform Card" from their Year Level/House Coordinator, Director of Students or Year 9 Head of Campus authorising incorrect attire for a specified period of time (usually two days). Staff and class teachers assist by asking these students to show their "Out of Uniform Card." Students without an "Out of Uniform Card" are sent immediately to obtain one. Students failing to repeatedly comply with uniform requirements will be issued a Friday detention as a consequence.

Physical Education

It is expected that students will bring appropriate clothing and equipment to the College on PE days. In the event of non-participation, or incorrect uniform, students must report to the teacher in charge with a note of explanation from their parents.

House polo shirts can be worn at the discretion of the College.

Sports Uniform Requirements

Sports Uniform Item	Requirement
Spray Jacket	Navy blue spray jacket
Rugby Top (Optional sports uniform item)	Navy blue rugby top
Polo Shirt	Navy blue polo shirt
Sports Shorts	Navy blue sports shorts
Track Pants	Navy blue track pants
House T Shirt	House T Shirt in various House colours

VCAL/Vocational Major Uniform Requirements

All Vocational Major (VM) students will be issued ONE VM work uniform (see table below). Year 11 VM students are to wear their work uniform **ONLY** on Wednesday for VET, Building and Construction and Fridays for their work placement. Also, they can wear their VM uniform during any additional work placement days as per their SBS schedule.

When an outdoor project has been scheduled on a given day, or if students are participating in time tabled activities such as sport, students are permitted to wear their PE uniform.

VCAL Uniform Item	Requirement
Polar Fleece	Navy blue polar fleece
Vest	Navy blue vest
Polo Shirt	Navy blue polo shirt
Cargo Shorts	Khaki cargo shorts
Cargo Pants	Khaki cargo pants
Beanie	Navy blue beanie
Bucket Hat	Navy blue bucket hat

Related Policies

Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
Complaints Handling Policy
Occupational Health and Safety Policy
Pastoral Care Policy
Student Code of Conduct
SunSmart Policy

Approval

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