

# Student Dress Code

## Palmview State Special School

*The Palmview Learning Community has determined that students at this school will wear a sun-safe uniform. We believe that personal presentation and uniform is an important factor in developing positive school tone and pride in the school. It is expected that students will wear the uniform and that parents will support the uniform policy by ensuring that their students arrive at school neatly presented in full school uniform each day.*

The student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing that students wear when:

- Attending and representing school,
- Travelling to and from school, and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Students of Palmview State Special School are required to wear the following:

- **Royal Blue and Gold Polo Shirt with Red Trim** - This is a specifically designed shirt for the Palmview State Special School. *The Palmview State Primary School has the Royal Blue and Gold Polo with a light blue trim.* The Palmview Learning Community logo signifying the strength of three will feature on the back of the shirt.
- **Navy shorts/skorts (mid-thigh length preferred) or pants** – The shorts/skort will have the Palmview Learning Community logo on the bottom of the right leg. For students requiring a specific style of pant, plain navy shorts, skirt, leggings or pants are permitted.
- **White socks and closed in shoes** (white or black). Note- for safety students are required to wear their shoes throughout the school day. Please discuss individual needs with the classroom teacher and or Principal/Deputy Principal.
- **School-based Hat** – A Palmview Learning Community bucket hat with toggle will be available. It is a reversible hat with the school sporting house colour on the underside. In the interest of sun-safety, the school uniform bucket hat cap is the only acceptable headwear – caps will not be accepted.
- (In winter) A Palmview Learning Community **Royal Blue fleecy jumper or shell lined jacket** will be available through Seaborne. A plain white or navy, long sleeved shirt may also be worn under the school polo if preferred. Plain **navy tracksuit pants** can be purchased privately. Please note – no hoodies are permitted.
- **AFO's (Ankle Foot Orthosis)** – At Palmview SSS, we recognise the importance of AFO's when supporting student access to the learning environment. As such, we accept that these will be designed based on appropriate individual preferences, reflecting the use within a Prep- Yr 12 school environment.

**Note:** All items with a logo are purchased through Seaborne Clothing. We will have a space at the school where students are able to try on uniform for sizing. Seaborne Clothing will manage the orders and donate a proportion of the profit to the school P&C.



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Also available for purchase through Seaborne is a Palmview Learning Community School Backpack and Library Bag. *Note: These are not mandatory items.*



Please refer to the attached Seaborne Brochure, Order form or website below for further details on how to order uniforms and uniform shop opening hours.

<https://palmview.uniform.net.au/>

### **Personal Appearance**

We encourage the correct and neat wearing of our school uniform as it is a form of school spirit and identification. Students must be in uniform at all times unless indicated otherwise.

### **Jewellery**

Student safety at Palmview State Special School is of utmost importance to us. We ask that students limit the wearing of jewellery to essential items only. These include:

- Medical alert items
- Watches
- Earrings – small studs or sleepers
- No chains/ necklaces unless related to a medical alert – symbolic/religious items are to be discussed with the Deputy or Principal

*Please note: students may be requested to remove all other items if deemed a risk to safety.*

### **Uniform Non-Compliance**

We appreciate that there are times when parents' ability to send students in full school uniform may be problematic – this may be due to various reasons linking to student disability. In these times we ask that you communicate with the school via a note, email or phone call. If no explanation for non-uniform is provided, a note will be sent home requesting an explanation. Please note that off-site excursions and programs may be impacted by lack of school uniform as we believe student safety may be compromised when out in the community.

If there is an issue relating to the wearing or purchasing of uniform items, please arrange to meet with either the Principal or Deputy to problem-solve and come to a mutually acceptable resolution. We encourage open and transparent communication in relation to meeting standards outlined within the document.

### **P&C Statement of Support:**

The P&C of Palmview State Special School resolves that it supports a student dress code for Palmview State Special School because it believes that a student dress code promotes the objectives of Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. In particular, the P&C supports the intention of a dress code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

- Ready identification of students and non-students at school
- Eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school
- Fostering a sense of belonging through our values of Trust, Connect and Grow; and
- Developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences

The Palmview Learning Community thanks you in advance for your support!

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