

## Gainsborough State School Dress Code Statement

At Gainsborough State School our uniform and school dress code has been established to enhance our culture of excellence, innovation and insight and inspires pride, positive and safe learning environments and expresses our high expectations of all members of our community. Our exemplary uniform is designed to be readily identifiable within and beyond our wider community, and promotes a positive impression to all. In addition, our uniform improves students safety by allowing members of staff to easily identify people within the school grounds who are not associated with our school.

The Gainsborough State School uniform and school dress code complies with health and safety requirements and ensures that students are wearing sun-safe clothing and appropriate footwear. Our uniform ensures equality amongst our students and removes the peer pressure that can be associated with expensive “brand name” clothing items. It is important to recognise that the way a student dresses them self can impact their behaviour. Our students are required to wear the correct uniform as listed below and it is expected that their uniform will be kept in a clean, neat and correct fashion. It is inappropriate for any undergarments to be visible and this is inclusive of boxer shorts and singlets.

Should students be unable to wear the uniform due to an unusual circumstance, parents are asked to send a note or contact the Principal or relevant Deputy Principal with an explanation with the student that day. Students who breach the uniform code, who are unable to provide a note from a parent regarding an explanation will be issued with a warning. Students who repeatedly breach the Gainsborough State School Dress Code will partake in a disciplinary program (see ‘Uniform Breach Code”).

Gainsborough State School understands and accepts that some cultures and religions have specific dress requirements. Modifications to the uniform that comply with recognised cultural or religious values may be negotiated with the Principal.

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### Uniform

At Gainsborough State School all students are expected to wear their full school uniform on all school days. The only exceptions to this rule are; the wearing of a house shirt uniform for designated sports days, or as part of a free dress day that has been formally organised as part of the Student Council fundraising program. All uniform items are to be purchased from the school uniform shop. Only the official school uniform is acceptable and any similar or look-a-like items are not acceptable.

Students are expected to be dressed in the appropriate sized uniform. Uniform purchases can be made online at the [UMS page](#) and collected at the school uniform shop on the designated day of operations. The Gainsborough State School Uniform Requirements are outlined below.

Under the **Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, Chapter 12, Part 9 ss.360-363**;

(1) A State school’s principal may develop a dress code for the school’s students that is to apply when the students are attending, or representing, the school.

(2)The dress code may provide for the following—

(a)standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by the students, including headwear and footwear; (b)standards of what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of the personal presentation of the students

## Uniform Requirements

### Daily School Uniform

- Unisex Gainsborough State School Polo Shirt
- Unisex Gainsborough State School Shorts
- Gainsborough State School Skirt (with internal boy-leg shorts)

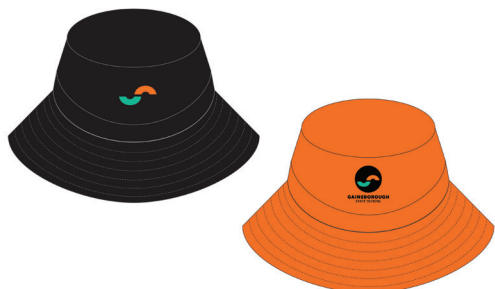


### Winter Uniform

- Unisex Gainsborough State School Jacket
- Unisex Gainsborough State School Tracksuit Pants
- Black tights may be worn under Gainsborough State School Skirt. Tights are not to be worn on their own.



### School Hats



- Unisex Gainsborough State School Bucket Hat. Hat is reversible, orange side to be worn outward during Prep.

### School Shoes



- White ankle socks
- Plain black leather school shoe (laces or velcro) or black sneaker

Additional non-compulsory uniform items are available from UMS. These include the Gainsborough State School Bag and hair ties.

## Shoes

Students shoes are to be kept neat and tidy. Shoes are to be made of leather or vinyl (no canvas slip on shoes). White ankle socks must be worn with shoes. No coloured socks will be accepted. For safety reasons, laced shoes must be tied tightly. Laces are to be the same colour as the shoe (black). All parts of the shoe must be black, including trims, eyelets and motifs. Shoes and socks MUST be worn at all times unless instructed by a teacher.



## Jewellery and Cosmetics

The wearing of jewellery is to be limited to one earring per ear lobe and these are to be either sleeper or plain stud. Spacers are not to be worn and are prohibited. No rings, necklaces or bracelets should be worn other than necklaces or bracelets for religious or medical purposes. Any religious or medical necklaces must have prior approval by the Principal before being worn. These items, if approved by the Principal, must be worn beneath the uniform and not be visible at any time. There is to be no visible body piercing or visible tattoos, including temporary tattoos. Makeup and nail polish are not permitted. Students wearing makeup or nail polish at school will be provided with the resources to remove it immediately and parents will be contacted.

## Hair

Hair should be kept neat and tidy. Long hair for both genders must be tied back. Unnatural colouring or style is not permitted. Some examples of this include, but are not limited to, tracks, Mohawk styles and other excessive styling). Hair accessories should be in school colours only.

## Hats

Only Gainsborough State School hats are permitted to be worn. All other hats and caps are prohibited. Hoods are not considered to be appropriate substitutes for a school hat. The school adopts the "No hat, No play" policy. Hats should not be worn indoors.

## Sunscreen

Sunscreen will be made available to students on sector or whole school sports day. It is recommended that students apply sunscreen at home each day prior to attending school.



## **Non-Compliance to Gainsborough State School Dress Code**

Students unable to wear an item of the correct uniform must comply with the following procedures:

- Report to the class teacher or office
- Parents or carers provide a note or contact the Principal or relevant Deputy Principal, explaining the uniform breach and the time period of which they will be unable to wear the correct full uniform.
- If the student's uniform breach is deemed appropriate for participating at school, the student will be issued with a slip indicating that they have correctly followed the Gainsborough State School procedures for incorrect uniform.
- Students will need to provide the slip to all staff, upon request at all times.
- If the students attire is not deemed appropriate than parents or carers will be contacted and requested to bring an alternative option to the school.

## **Continual Breaches of the Gainsborough State School Dress Code**

If a student is identified as repeatedly being non-compliant with the Gainsborough State School the following process will be followed;

- The student will have a meeting with a member of the executive and will receive a verbal reminder of the uniform code and warning.
- After an additional breach a notice will be sent to the students parent or carer to request a meeting to discuss any issues that may be contributing to the students failure to comply with the Gainsborough State School Dress Code.
- If the student continues to breach the Gainsborough State School Dress Code, parents or carers will be contacted and asked to bring the correct uniform in to school. Failing this, students may be supplied with a clean uniform which MUST be returned at 3:00pm that afternoon. The students parent or carer will be requested to attend a meeting with the Principal.

Under the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 Section 362 of the Act (1) If a student of a State school does not comply with a dress code for the school's students, developed under section 360, the school's principal may impose the following sanctions;

- (a) detention of the student for a period mentioned in section 283(3);
- (b) prevent the student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student would have been representing the school;
- (c) prevent the student from attending, or participating in, any school activity that, in the reasonable opinion of the school's principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the school.

