

UNIFORM RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

It is the responsibility of students to know and follow all uniform regulations. First impressions count. The College expects all students to be well behaved, courteous and appropriately dressed in full and correct uniform from the time they leave home for school, until they arrive home again. Waitākere College believes that well-groomed students, wearing uniform correctly shows respect and pride in themselves and their College.

- ✓ The College reserves the right to decide on the acceptability of all items of uniform.
- ✓ No uniform may be altered without the permission of the College: e.g. length of trousers must be covering the socks. No shortening of skirts or shorts or editing the 'style', by tapering etc.
- ✓ Uniform which is unclean or in an unsatisfactory state will not be accepted.
- ✓ All non-uniform items may be impounded and parents contacted for collection.
- ✓ Students needing to temporarily wear any non-regulation item of uniform must bring a note explaining the situation and report to the Student Centre to obtain a permit or loan items. Full, correct uniform is a priority.
- ✓ Items other than those brands and styles listed in the prospectus/uniform leaflet will not be accepted.

Wearing Uniform Correctly Means

- ✓ It will be clean, tidy, unmarked and in good condition (or be replaced).
- ✓ Trousers and shorts must be at waist height, preferably. Skirts are not to be rolled up.
- ✓ T shirts must be plain white or the school PE shirt and only visible at the neck. T shirts must not be visible past the sleeve or shirt length. Long sleeve tops can not be worn.
- ✓ Shoes must be flat, clean, polish-able, plain black dress or school shoes of a style approved by the College. (Full details are available from the Student Centre and Main Office). Lace up or slip on only, not buckle or Velcro fastenings. No casual, sports, canvas or suede styles. No two-tone, no colours, no high-tops/ankle boots, no logos or badging.
- ✓ Shoes must be worn with half calf-length/ business socks in plain white, black or navy blue. (Either black or flesh-toned sheer pantyhose or tights may also be worn with shoes, but not with sandals).
- ✓ Roman sandals or single 'cross-over' slave sandals with a heel strap fitted correctly are acceptable. Sandals must be black. Socks or pantyhose cannot be worn with sandals.
- ✓ A school cap, bucket hat and scarf can be worn. Not acceptable are beanies, non school caps, hoodies, non school coats etc (Scarves are not to be worn over the head.)
- ✓ Year 13 Dress shirts must be worn with a tie, and must be tucked in.