



WHANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL POLICY SCHOOL UNIFORM

INTRODUCTION	<p>1 The Whanganui High School Board sets the uniform.</p> <p>2 The Whanganui High School Board requires that all students wear the correct School uniform at all times while under the School's authority.</p> <p>3 Uniform regulations and requirements are to be provided to all new students each year. Copies are available at the main office.</p> <p>4 The Board expects students wearing the School uniform to do so in a manner which reflects well on themselves and the School.</p> <p>5 Regulations relating to "UNIFORM" cover all items of clothing, including footwear as prescribed in the official uniform and standards of personal presentation (see copy attached to this policy) including:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a) The manner in which the uniform is worn.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b) Jewellery,</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">c) The length, colour, style and/or arrangement of hair.</p> <p><u>NB:</u> The appendices to this policy form part of the policy and should be read as such.</p> <p>6 The Whanganui High School Board has delegated to the Principal the authority to rule on all matters relating to uniform as the Principal sees fit and in accordance with the guidelines set out in this policy.</p>
RATIONALE	<p>1 The uniform encourages personal pride in self and school.</p> <p>2 The uniform encourages a sense of school identity.</p> <p>3 The uniform encourages 'equality in appearance' amongst students.</p>
GUIDELINES	<p>1 Items shall be of a quality and design suitable for school-wear.</p> <p>2 It is desirable to have a limited range of choice in some items.</p> <p>3 The School crest should be emphasised where practicable.</p> <p>4 Uniform changes may only occur with the approval of the Whanganui High School Board and following consultation with the school community or their elected representatives. This will be conducted by the Principal and will involve surveying parents/students/staff.</p> <p>5 Uniform changes should be advised through the School newsletter, not less than six months in advance.</p> <p>6 Our official uniform supplier is Andersons Uniform Shop (Victoria Avenue).</p> <p>7 All staff and prefects are responsible for helping to ensure that students are in the correct uniform, worn correctly at all times.</p> <p>8 The Board does not discriminate on the grounds of gender. The Board will advise prospective parents and students that those who enrol are expected to wear the school uniform as prescribed. The Principal will use discretion in the case of students in gender transition or gender fluidity, or any other individual circumstance.</p> <p>9 A list of all accepted uniform items and guidelines for jewellery and standards of personal presentation is attached to this policy.</p>

PROCEDURES	1	Parents and caregivers of students, and students who apply to enrol are assumed to have accepted the School's uniform regulations once they sign the enrolment confirmation form. Issues of a religious or cultural nature relating to uniform should be addressed with the Principal at that time.
	2	Students are to wear the correct uniform and wear it correctly at all times when under the authority of the School – including to and from School.
	3	Students wearing the School uniform are thereby representing the School and subject to all School rules and regulations.
	4	Those students unable to afford School uniform items are encouraged to approach the Pastoral Care Team or Principal for assistance in providing such items.
	5	All staff and prefects are expected to support the Principal and Board in upholding the uniform regulations and standards of dress, jewellery and personal presentation guidelines.
	6	Those students who, for short periods, are unable to wear the uniform (or parts thereof) should obtain a short term uniform pass from a Senior Leadership Team member or a Dean upon their arrival at School. This signed uniform pass should be available at all times for inspection by staff.
	7	Unless otherwise directed by the Principal – a) Summer uniform may only be worn during Terms 1 and 4. b) Winter uniform may only be worn during Terms 2 and 3.
	8	All sports teams will be advised of the required sports uniform by their coach or manager or the Director of Sports, well in advance of their first representative game.
	9	Students are permitted to wear a Whanganui High School sunhat approved by the Principal.
EVALUATION	1	The Board should liaise with the School community regarding uniform with any or all of the following: a) The Principal b) The Staff Representative on the Board c) The Student Representative on the Board d) Parents, as and when appropriate e) Andersons Uniform Shop.
	2	The Board, in association with the Principal, will review this policy on a three-yearly cycle in accordance with the school's quality management cycle.
CONCLUSION	1	Whanganui High School has a high standard of uniform and of students' compliance with the Uniform regulations. This policy services to uphold and maintain these standards.

Approved by the Board

Signed Chairperson:

J. Maguire

Date:

29/11/2021

Signed Principal:

Walter McCall

Date:

29/11/2021

**GUIDELINES ASSOCIATED WITH THE
WHANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM,
STANDARD OF DRESS & PERSONAL PRESENTATION**

Regulations relating to uniform cover all items of clothing, including footwear, as prescribed in the official uniform and standards of presentation including:

- the manner in which the uniform is worn
- jewellery and ornamentation
- the length, colour, style and/ or arrangement of hair

1. The uniform should be clean, tidy and named.
2. The uniform is to be worn neatly. Boys are expected to have their socks up. If a t-shirt is worn under the regulation shirt, it is to be plain white.
3. When wearing black trousers, ties must be done up and shirts tucked in. This is formal uniform. The right to wear formal uniform may be withdrawn should the conditions not be met.
4. All uniform items should be in a good state of repair.
5. All sports teams are expected to be in the prescribed uniform for all games. Sports uniform provided by the school is only to be worn while involved in sports-related activities.
6. Sports and special ties are only to be worn by students entitled to wear them.
7. The only jewellery that may be worn includes:
 - a. one plain, small, stud or plain, small, sleeper in each ear,
 - b. one neck-piece or similar of cultural significance.
8. Unofficial garments and jewellery are permitted only at the discretion of the Principal.
9. Any issues associated with hair - length, style and colour - will be ruled on by the Principal. In doing so the Principal will endeavour to reflect the norms of the majority of the school community, as the Principal sees them. It is expected that students will have hair of appropriate length, natural colour, and a style which is not extreme. For everyone, hair which is collar length or longer must be tied up for the duration of the school day.
10. Whanganui High School is a graffiti free environment. No graffiti is permitted on bags, pencil cases or stationery.
11. Other: Students will be cleanly shaven. Only clear nail polish may be worn.
12. Any concerns related to uniform should be directed to the appropriate HOFs, Deputy Principal or House Dean, who may refer the matter to the Principal for a final ruling.