KENTVILLE STATE SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY

In developing this Dress Code we:

- Consulted with members of the school community;
- Considered relevant legislation;
- Considered issues of safety, affordability, and practicality; and
- Have developed contingencies for students facing exceptional circumstances.

We believe this Dress Code helps us to provide a safe and supportive environment by enabling us to:

- Easily identify students and non-students at school;
- Eliminate the distraction of competition of dress and fashion at school;
- Foster a sense of school pride and belonging;
- Develop mutual respect;

The Kentville Dress Code describes what is acceptable to wear in relation to clothing, footwear and headwear, and also outlines what is acceptable in relation to other aspects of personal appearance (including jewellery, hair colour, etc). Permitted sanctions for non-compliance with the Dress Code include detentions and preventing the student from attending or participating in any activity for which the student may have represented the school and any school activity not part of the essential education program of the school.

Our Dress Code incorporates strategies to accommodate special needs and circumstances of students.

The Kentville State School Dress Code has been endorsed by the Kentville State School Parents and Citizens Association (2009).

UNIFORM

All students are required to wear the full Kentville State School uniform at all times. Students and parents/caregivers are expected to fully commit to this for health, safety and social reasons.

Only the Principal (or nominee) may grant an exemption from the uniform for special designated days eg: Sports Days, Free Dress Days. On these occasions, guidelines will be provided and written advice will be sent home about the day/event.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing, footwear, headwear deemed offensive, or likely to disrupt or negatively influence normal school operations, is unsafe for students or Others or is likely to result in a risk to health and safety of the students or others.
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STUDENT UNIFORM
- Green Shorts (plain only)
- Red Polo Shirt (school issue)
- Enclosed shoes with a firm sole (e.g. joggers)
- Dark Green Hat (school issue)

SPORTS UNIFORM – FROGS HOUSE

School Hat $10
SPF 50+ rating

Frogs House
Sports Shirt
$25 SPF 50+

Green shorts
used for the
sports uniform
and the school
uniform

Sports shirts and green hats are available from the P&C’s Uniform Convenor. Heritage/Bottle green shorts can be purchased from most good retail outlets.
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SPORTS UNIFORM – LIZARDS HOUSE

Kentville broad brimmed hat $15

Lizards House Sports Shirt $25 SPF 50+ rating

Girl’s bottle green skorts or shorts are available from most good retailers

All prices are subject to change. Please contact the Office on 5411 5111 to organise the most appropriate times of the day to meet with our uniform convenor. Alternatively, email admin@kentvillss.eq.edu.au
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SWIMMING
For swimming lessons in Terms 1 and 4, students are to comply with our Sun-Smart Policy i.e. all students are to wear a sun-safe rashie shirt and swimming cap. A silicone Kentville swimming cap can be purchased from the Office for $10.

WINTER UNIFORM
The uniform outlined above with the addition of the following:
- Kentville Spray Jacket (school issue)
- Dark Green track pants (plain only)
NB: Most of the non-school issue items of clothing can be purchased from most local clothing stores.

PLEASE NOTE:
Cargo pants, cargo shorts and jeans are not acceptable. Brightly coloured board shorts, shirts, jumpers and/or track pants are unacceptable. Students must wear closed-in shoes at all times for safety reasons. We are a Sun-Smart school. Hats are to be full brim or bucket only. Caps and visors are unacceptable.

APPEARANCE INCLUDING JEWELLERY

What is permissible?
- One stud or sleeper in each ear
- A wrist watch
- Hair neat and tidy in natural colourings
- A necklace worn for religious purposes

What is not permitted?
- Multiple earrings
- Earrings other than studs or sleepers
- Multiple rings
- Bracelets, anklets, necklaces
- Coloured nail polish
- Make-up
- Strongly dyed hair

Please note that refusal to comply with this policy may also result in withdrawal from classes where Education Queensland has specified jewellery should not be worn e.g. Physical Education, Sport, Science, Computer Technology.

Procedures regarding non-compliance
- Students who are unable to wear the correct uniform are expected to wear conservative dress (with a collar and sleeves), closely resembling the school uniform.
- Where appropriate, the school may offer items from a bank of clothing held at the school;
- Parents may be contacted and further information may be sought regarding the circumstances for non-compliance;
- Frequent offenders will be brought to the attention of the Principal.
- Jewellery and make-up that is not consistent with our Dress Code needs to be removed before school and left off until the student returns home. Failure to follow this process will be classed as non-compliance and school consequences will be applied.
- Students who fail to wear the correct uniform may be ineligible to attend sporting, music, and/or cultural events at school or at other venues.
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Any families who feel they have a valid reason for not meeting the Kentville State School Dress Code requirements should make an appointment to discuss the matter with the Principal. Please note that simply not agreeing with the Dress Code is not a valid reason.