

## SARINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

### School Dress Code

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Sarina State High School is a uniform school. We believe that the correct wearing of the uniform assists students to identify with their school. This encourages good, positive attitudes, which flow over into the learning area. The proud wearing of the school uniform adds much to the school tone. The Sarina State High School Student Dress Code has been drawn up and endorsed by parents, students and teachers. Every effort has been made to ensure the uniform is as inexpensive as possible, modest and dignified, practical and popular with students. Moreover, it is important to realise that our uniform code is a vital facet of the education strategy of the school. At Sarina State High School, we value neat, tidy, dignified personal presentation, which will prepare students for the workforce and develop pride in being part of a team.

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Our school community fully supports the wearing of the school uniform. The uniform is endorsed by the school's Parents & Citizens Association and through *State Legislation (EGPA 2006)*.

#### **A school uniform helps in achieving the school's identity, cohesion, tone, pride and spirit.**

- > Workplace Health and Safety requirements prohibit the wearing of open footwear such as thongs. Students wearing such footwear will be removed to a safe area or allowed to return home to change their footwear.
- > AGRICULTURE AND ENGINEERING: Only Sarina State High School Agriculture or Engineering Uniform is permitted. The uniform **MUST** be worn in **FULL**. No shirts/pants with external names/companies are permitted.
- > Hair must be clean, neat and a natural colour. Styles should be appropriate to school, i.e. not designed to attract undue attention due to their unusual nature. Any student who chooses to get an inappropriate hairstyle (including colouring) will be requested to modify it a more natural colour before returning to normal activities until rectified.
- > The only jewellery permitted is a watch, two pairs of plain sleepers or studs (in the ears – 4 earrings in all) and one plain ring.
- > Facial piercings such as eyebrows/nose/lip/tongue are permitted but **MUST** be single, clear, small and discreet stud. No obvious or distinctive facial piercings are allowed.
- > No heavy make-up is permitted. Nails must be of reasonable length and a natural colour.

#### **Please Note:**

- > If, due to unforeseen circumstances, a student is unable to wear the correct uniform, they must report to the Resource Centre before school begins and they are expected to change into a spare uniform (if available) provided for that purpose for the duration of the school day.
- > If due to unforeseen circumstances, a student is unable to wear the correct uniform for a prolonged period of time, the Deputy Principal must be contacted for alternative arrangements.

## Parents and Citizens Association Support

The **Sarina State High School Parents & Citizens Association** has resolved that it supports a mandatory student dress code for Sarina State High School students because it believes that the mandated student dress code promotes the objectives of *the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*, and in particular that it:

- (a) Promotes a **safe environment** for learning by enabling ready identification of students and non-students of the school;
- (b) Promotes an **effective teaching and learning** environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at the school;
- (c) Fosters **mutual respect** among individuals at the school by minimising visible evidence of economic, class or social differences and promotes a supportive environment at the school by fostering a sense of belonging;
- (d) **Maximises student safety** by limiting and defining items of jewellery and other accessories that may be worn;
- (e) Promotes the good image of the school within the local community;
- (f) The Sarina State High School Expectations of **'Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be a Learner, Be Safe'** are modelled through the neat personal presentation of our school uniform.

## Uniform Description

<b>Shirts:</b>	> Shirt with school logo
<b>Shorts:</b>	> Maroon shorts with school logo. These are available from the school uniform shop.
	> Students may wear a maroon skirt.
	> Plain maroon shorts (No branding)
<b>Shoes:</b>	> Black shoes/black laces
<b>Socks:</b>	> White
<b>Hat:</b>	> School hat or cap
<b>Winter:</b>	> Maroon tracksuit jacket (with school logo)
	> Maroon tracksuit pants (with school logo)
	> Plain maroon tracksuit or jumper (No branding)
	> Formal uniform – Maroon pullover (with school logo)

### **Sports Uniform:**

There is no separate general sport uniform. Students who are members of Sporting groups such as the Rugby League and Netball Development Programs will have sporting uniforms and these details will be provided to students.

### **Agriculture and Engineering Uniform:**

Only Sarina State High School Agriculture or Engineering Shirt with long pants/jeans is permitted. The uniform **MUST** be worn in **FULL**. No shirts/pants with external names/companies are permitted.

### **Formal Uniform:**

Maroon and gold striped shirt with school tie, maroon skirt (to just above the knee) with white socks with maroon and gold stripe or grey tab shorts with grey long socks with maroon and gold stripe, all students to wear black fully enclosed lace-up shoes.

At Sarina State High School, there will be an expectation that all students own or have access to the school formal uniform. Students are required to wear the formal uniform to designated events including but not limited to:

- school photos;
- School Investiture;
- school excursions such as QMEA events, Pit & Port, JCU Career Day, GRIP Leadership, Chess, STEM Punk and STEM Drone Comp, RYDA Program, Mathematics competitions, Whitsunday Voices, leadership events;
- ANZAC Day march;
- formal parades;
- presentation and awards evenings;
- representative events;
- and other nominated activities.

**Please Note:** Students who wear unauthorised items will be expected to change into a spare uniform provided for that purpose, go home to change or arrange for the correct uniform to be brought to school by a parent/carer or complete a detention with the Head of Year.

### **Non Compliance with School Dress Code**

Under the school's *Student Code of Conduct* and the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, permitted sanctions for non-compliance of the dress code include:

- a. Detention of the student for a period mentioned in section 283 (3) of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006;
- b. Preventing the student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which the student would have been representing the school;
- c. Preventing 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.

## Guide to Correct Footwear

### Correct Footwear



Shoes - PREDOMINANTLY Black with black laces - can have SOME colour including white or coloured 'tick' and white soles. They are approved if they are mainly black and are IMPERVIOUS - not canvas OR high-tops OR skate-shoes.

### Incorrect Footwear



\* This policy will be reviewed annually.