

## ALEXANDRA SECONDARY COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

### **Rationale:**

- A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

### **Aims:**

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

### **Implementation:**

- After consultation with the school community, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Uniform, as well as a sports uniform as prescribed and are required to be worn.
- 2 sets of stud earrings or sleepers (maximum) worn in the ears, one necklace, one bracelet and two rings plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: mohawks) are not permitted.
- Cosmetics will only be acceptable if they are subtle in nature.
- Good quality second hand uniforms will be stored at the College for the use of parents and students as required.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in Subschool Handbooks and in the College newsletter at the end and start of each year.
- School Council requires the Principal to be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the principal.

### **Sanctions to be Applied for Breaches of this Code**

For Students who have not brought a note:

- Parent Contact in the first instance.
- Lunchtime Detention.
- 2 x Lunctime Detentions
- Afterschool Detention
- Non participation in school extra curricular activities.

### **Evaluation:**

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2001.