



RIVERMOUNT COLLEGE

Realising the Potential Within

5.02.01 STUDENT PERSONAL APPEARANCE & UNIFORM POLICY

PURPOSE

Our aim at Rivermount College is to encourage students to take pride in their uniform and appearance. A uniform worn with dignity and pride embodies the spirit and values of our College community and will assist all students in developing a positive self-image and attitude. A high standard of personal presentation is expected of all Rivermount College students.

This Policy clearly details the expectations of the College with respect to personal appearance and presentation and the correct wearing of the College Formal Uniform and Sports Uniform.

SCOPE

This Policy applies to all students of the College.

RESPONSIBILITY

Principal reporting to Board of Directors

POLICY STATEMENT

GENERAL UNIFORM REGULATIONS

- 1. Wearing of the correct Rivermount College uniform is compulsory for all students.**
2. The College Uniform must be worn in its entirety as defined in the Formal Uniform and Sports Uniform Requirements; they are not permitted be worn in combination.
3. Students must wear the Formal Uniform to and from the College and at all College related activities. With the written approval of the Principal, students will be permitted to wear the Sports Uniform to and from the College on appropriate days.
4. Students are required to wear the Formal Uniform to all College functions, external functions relating to the College and formal occasions during the school year unless otherwise directed by the Principal.

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5. All students are required to wear the correct Sports Uniform for physical education and dance lessons, sports days, sporting competitions and defined excursions as specified by the Principal.
6. Where students have a valid reason for not wearing the correct uniform, a dated note of explanation must be provided by the parent/caregiver indicating the reason and the timeframe in which the student will return to wearing the correct uniform.
7. Students who do not comply with the Personal Appearance and Uniform Policy will be given an appropriate consequence, and may be requested to remove, replace, repair or adjust uniform items and correct their personal appearance.

FORMAL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

Primary School Girls (Prep to Year 3)	Primary School Boys (Prep to Year 3)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy dress with gold and green piping ▪ Tri-colour College white socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Navy monogrammed Primary formal hat ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Navy tights (optional for Winter) ▪ Monogrammed College bag 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy shorts ▪ Lower Primary boys monogrammed light blue Jack shirt ▪ Short blue College socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Long grey trousers may be worn in Winter with short grey socks ▪ Navy monogrammed Primary formal hat ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Monogrammed College bag <p><i>Long grey trousers may be worn in winter with short grey socks)</i></p>
Primary School Girls (Year 4 to Year 6)	Primary School Boys (Year 4 to Year 6)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy pleat skirt ▪ Monogrammed light blue blouse with navy piping ▪ Primary School girls tie ▪ Tri-colour College white socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Navy monogrammed Primary formal hat ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Navy stockings (optional for Winter) ▪ Monogrammed College bag 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy shorts ▪ Monogrammed light blue shirt ▪ Primary School boys tie (Term 2 and 3) ▪ Navy or black belt ▪ Long blue College socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Long grey trousers may be worn in Winter with short grey socks ▪ Navy monogrammed Primary formal hat ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Monogrammed College bag
Middle School Girls (Year 7 to Year 9)	Middle School Boys (Year 7 to Year 9)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy pleat skirt ▪ Monogrammed light blue blouse ▪ Monogrammed Middle School girls tie ▪ Tri-colour College white socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Blazer (Term 2 and 3 and official functions) ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Navy monogrammed Secondary formal hat ▪ Navy stockings (official functions and optional for Winter) ▪ Monogrammed College bag 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grey shorts (Term 1 and 4) ▪ Grey pants (Term 2 and 3; official functions and optional for Term 1 and 4) ▪ Monogrammed light blue shirt ▪ Middle School boys tie ▪ Black belt ▪ Long grey College socks (with shorts) ▪ Short grey socks (with long pants) ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Blazer (Term 2 and 3 and official functions) ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Grey monogrammed formal hat ▪ Monogrammed College bag

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Senior School Girls (Year 10 to Year 12)	Senior School Boys (Year 10 to Year 12)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy pleat skirt ▪ Monogrammed white blouse ▪ Monogrammed Senior girls tie ▪ Tri-colour College white socks ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Blazer (Term 2 and 3 and official functions) ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Navy monogrammed formal hat ▪ Navy stockings (official functions and optional for Winter) ▪ Monogrammed College bag 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grey shorts (Term 1 and 4) ▪ Grey pants (Term 2 and 3; official functions and optional for Term 1 and 4) ▪ Monogrammed white shirt ▪ Monogrammed Senior boys tie ▪ Black belt ▪ Long grey College socks (with shorts) ▪ Short grey socks (with long pants) ▪ Traditional black leather lace-up school shoes ▪ Blazer (Term 2 and 3 and official functions) ▪ Monogrammed navy jumper ▪ Grey monogrammed formal hat ▪ Monogrammed College bag

CORRECT WEARING OF THE COLLEGE FORMAL UNIFORM

- The College Formal Uniform must be clean and in good repair at all times.
- Only current style uniform items are permitted.
- The College Formal Uniform, including formal hat, must be worn completely and correctly, to and from the College, each day unless otherwise approved by the College Principal.
- Prep to Year 4 students wear the College Formal Uniform on non-designated Physical Education days.
- The College Formal Uniform and Sports Uniform are not permitted to be worn in combination.
- No items of casual clothing (e.g. hats, jackets or jumpers) are permitted with the College Uniform.
- Only traditional black leather lace-up school shoes are permitted with the College Formal Uniform. No Velcro, platform heels, buckles or sandals are allowed. Sport or Volley style shoes are not allowed. Shoes must be kept in good condition and polished.
- Only monogrammed Rivermount College bags are permitted.
- Boys shirts (Year 4 to Year 12) must be tucked in at all times.
- Key rings and chains are not to be attached to belts or pant loops.
- A **Windsor Knot** is required for boys ties with the top shirt button done up.
- Garters should be worn with long socks (Year 4 to Year 12 boys).
- The correct length of the girls dress and skirt is such that the hem touches the ground when kneeling.
- Girls blouses must be of an acceptable length so as to not show their midriff.
- Coloured bras are not permitted as bras should not be visible through the girls blouse.
- The College blazer is a compulsory item for all Year 7 to Year 12 students and is worn daily as part of the Winter uniform and on all official occasions.

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SPORTS UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

All Students Prep to Year 12	Sports Hats
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ College RMC navy sports shorts ▪ College sports shirt ▪ College tracksuit ▪ House shirt ▪ Sports hat (please refer to section on hats) ▪ College navy sports bag (Year 4 to Year 12) ▪ RMC sport socks ▪ Plain sports shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ College Bucket Hat (Prep to Year 6 only) – New in 2018 ▪ College Legionnaire Hat (Prep to Year 6 only) ▪ College sun hat (Year 4 to Year 6 and optional for Year 7 to Year 12) ▪ College baseball cap (Year 7 to Year 12 only) <p>Note: The Legionnaire Hat and Sun Hat will transition out by 2020 to be replaced by the Bucket Hat.</p>
Swimming	Curriculum Dance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy one-piece or knee length race-suit for girls ▪ Navy racers or knee length swimmers for boys ▪ Navy sun shirt compulsory for Prep to Year 6 ▪ Navy sun shirt recommended for Year 7 – 12 ▪ RMC swim cap 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy Dance 3/4 Leggings (Girls only) or College RMC navy sports shorts ▪ Monogrammed College sports shirt
Inter School Competitions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full College Sports Uniform unless team uniform specified ▪ Full College tracksuit ▪ Monogrammed navy swimwear must be worn for interschool competition with the RMC swim cap ▪ House shirts are not permitted to be worn for interschool competition 	

CORRECT WEARING OF THE COLLEGE SPORTS UNIFORM

- The College Sports Uniform must be clean and in good repair at all times.
- Only current style Sports Uniform items are permitted.
- No item of the College Formal Uniform or items of casual clothing are permitted to be worn with the Sports Uniform.
- Items of specialist team uniforms (e.g. Rugby shorts, Dance uniform) should not be worn for PE lessons or for any activity other than the specialist sport.
- Only monogrammed College sports shirts and shorts are permitted.
- Students must wear the designated RMC sport socks.
- Sports shoes should be predominately plain in colour with tie-up laces and non-marking soles.
- The House Polo shirt is worn for interhouse competitions only and must not be worn for TAS, JTAS or interschool competition.
- Students are required to wear the appropriate sports hat during all outdoor lessons and sporting activities. The College formal dress hat should not be worn with the Sports Uniform.
- The College swimming cap is strongly recommended and encouraged. If not worn, girls must ensure that long hair is securely tied and no bobby pins or clips are permitted in the pool. Only RMC swimming caps are permitted.
- Sun shirts for swimming are a compulsory item for all students in Prep to Year 6 and are highly recommended for Middle and Senior School students.
- The College tracksuit is a compulsory part of the Sports Uniform and should be worn for PE lessons and sporting activities where required. The wearing of jumpers and non-Rivermount tracksuits and jackets is not permitted.

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SPECIALIST TEAM UNIFORMS

Specialist uniforms may only be worn for the required sport including competition and training or co-curricular activity as follows:

Specialist Uniform	Description of Use
First Team Uniforms (TAS Sport)	This uniform is provided by the College and available to members of the First team only. Students are required to change into the allocated uniform prior to competition and return to the Team Coach at the completion of each game.
Rugby	All students playing Rugby are required to purchase the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RMC Rugby Jersey • Navy Rugby Shorts • Long Gold RMC socks (no other colours or styles are permitted)
Dance Performance Team	Members of the Dance Performance Team are required to purchase or hire the team uniform consisting of College dance tights, College singlet and College jacket. These items may be worn for Dance Performance practice and competition only. Students are not permitted to wear the Dance Performance Team Uniform, or part of, for Curriculum Dance lessons, Physical Education Lessons or any other sport or co-curricular activity.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

The College Uniform Shop has a selection of second-hand uniform items available for purchase (subject to availability). These items are carefully examined to ensure that they meet the standards and expectations of the College. Families choosing to purchase items of uniform outside of the Uniform Shop must ensure that the item is neat, clean and in excellent condition and is of current style.

PERSONAL GROOMING EXPECTATIONS

Students are required to maintain a neat and clean appearance at all times, including travel to and from the College and while visiting public places. The following requirements apply to all College students.

- Hair for all students must be neat, tidy, clean and conservatively styled with no hair colouring permitted.
- Boys hair must be conservatively cut as to ensure that it does not grow onto or below the collar.
- Boys must be clean shaven and without sideburns.
- Girls hair must be off the face and tied back if it falls below the collar line.
- Only plain College colour (gold, green or blue) hair ties are permitted.
- No jewellery is permitted with the exception of a plain watch, medical alert tags and one set of plain (no stone) gold or silver studs or sleepers for girls.
- No make-up, nail polish or false nails are permitted.
- Tattoos (permanent or temporary) and body piercing are not acceptable.

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TRANSITIONAL UNIFORM ITEMS

The following uniform items will be phased out and replaced with new uniform items as per the transition schedule below:

Item Description	Transition Period	Replacement item
College Legionnaire Hat and Sun Hat	End 2019	College Bucket Hat

The following uniform items are no longer permitted to be worn. Where the transition period has ended, College Staff will be directing students to replace the item with the current style:

Item Description	Transition Period	Replacement item
College Blazer with Gold logo	Ended	College Blazer with full colour logo
College Tracksuit	Ended	New style College Tracksuit
Primary School Girls Gold Socks	Ended	White Socks with tri-colour stripe
Primary School Girls Gold Hat	Ended	Navy Slouch Hat
Primary School Girls Dress (Year 4 to Year 6)	Ended	Monogrammed light blue blouse with navy piping and navy pleat skirt and Primary School tie
Gold Jumper (Girls Prep to Year 12)	Ended	Monogrammed Navy Jumper
Primary School Boys Navy Belt (Year 4 to Year 6)	Ended	Black Belt

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