



"Caring for Excellence"

Viewbank College Student Dress Code

Child Safe: *Viewbank College is a child safe environment in accordance to the Victorian Government Guidelines. Viewbank College actively promotes the safety and wellbeing of all students, and all school staff are committed to protecting students from abuse or harm in the school environment, in accordance with their legal obligations including child safe standards. Viewbank College has a Child Safety Code of Conduct consistent with the Department's exemplar.*

The Purpose of the Dress Code is to:

- **Allows all students to feel equal and to prevent bullying and competition on basis of clothing**
- **Ensure students' appearance reflects the expectations of their school community.**
- **Strengthen the spirit of community within the school.**
- **Ensure all students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.**
- **Prepare students for the expectations of workplaces.**
- **Encourage students to present themselves appropriately for a particular role.**

The Uniform policy reinforces in students a sense of pride in their appearance and instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the College community. We believe that a student's individuality at the College will be recognised by such factors as his/her/their personality, scholastic achievement, sporting prowess, leadership, initiative and involvement in College activities.

Expectations

The following expectations are in place to ensure that students represent the College with pride and recognise them as an integral part of the College.

- Students are expected to wear the designated Viewbank College uniform appropriately and to present a neat appearance during college hours, when travelling to and from school and when students are engaged in out-of-school hours College activities that require uniform.
- To support a student to be able to wear the correct uniform, parents/guardians are asked to oversee
 - The purchasing of uniform items
 - The clear naming of clothing items
 - The cleaning of the uniform ready for wearing every day.
- The College blazer or the College soft shell jacket must be worn as the outer garment on all College occasions, including Level and College assemblies
- Jewellery, if worn
 - Must be minimal for safety reasons.
 - Ear and Face Piercing/s: Small sleepers or studs only for safety reasons.
- Hair
 - Dye/colouring to be in natural tones.
 - Longer than shoulder length to be tied back for safety reasons.
- Non-Uniform Long and Short – sleeved tops
 - Plain white garments may be worn under shirts and dresses as long as they are not visible.

- The College Sport and Physical Education uniform can be worn to school if the student has a scheduled Physical Education class in the first period, or be worn home if a student has a scheduled Physical Education class in the last period of the day. Students need to change out PE uniform and into general uniform at all other times.
- **VET UNIFORM**
Some VET courses may require students to wear a uniform to their VET class. Only students who are enrolled in the following trade related courses (Carpentry, Plumbing, Automotive, Engineering, Electro technology and Integrated technologies) are permitted to wear their VET protective clothing to Viewbank College on the day that they have their VET class. The clothing should be clearly identifiable as their VET uniform. All other students must wear their full Viewbank College uniform to school on the day of their VET class.
- Viewbank College is aware that some students may wish to observe particular religious and cultural requirements while also complying with the school dress code. The College will discuss these requirements with students and parents or carers to ascertain their cultural and religious significance and how they might be accommodated within the school's dress code policy.
- If the purchase of the uniform causes genuine hardship, confidential assistance is available on application to the Principal or Business Manager.
- **Uniform Pass:** A note from a parent/guardian is required if a student is not able to wear complete uniform for a brief period of time. A uniform pass must be obtained at the start of the day from an Assistant Principal or the Year Level Leader.

Viewbank College Uniform Items

General Uniform

- Viewbank College Blazer and/or Viewbank College soft-shell jacket)*The soft-shell jacket will be available from uniform suppliers from late 2020, the current spray jacket will stop being sold as stock runs out in 2020. The spray jacket will continue to be permitted to be worn at the College)*
- Viewbank College Jumper
- Viewbank College Dress
- Viewbank College Skirt
- Viewbank College Trousers
- Viewbank College Blue Slacks, with College logo
- Viewbank College Shorts, Navy, with College logo
- Viewbank College White Shirt, short or long sleeved, with College logo
- Black leather lace up College Shoes or Black T-Bar Shoes
- Socks (white or navy above ankle, no commercial logos)
- Tights (black or navy with skirt only).

Sport and Physical Education Uniform

- Viewbank College Navy Sports Shirt with College logo
- Viewbank College Navy Sports Shorts with College logo
- Viewbank College Navy Tracksuit Pants with College logo
- Viewbank College Soft Shell Jacket with College logo
- Plain White Socks, above ankle, no commercial logos
- Runners or Sports Shoes
- Navy Viewbank Cap or Wide-Brimmed Hat (College hats can also be worn at recess or lunchtime)

Optional Uniform Items

- Viewbank College Spray Jacket, Navy and Maroon (phased out from 2021 onwards)
- Religious Headwear: White, blue or black in colour
- Viewbank College School Bag (backpack)
- House beanie and/or scarf (introduce in 2020)



Special Event Garments

Occasionally, special events within the College organise additional uniform items for purchase (garments such as jackets, t-shirts, hoodies or jumpers). These items promote events and increase participation rates for future years. The follow guidelines have been recommended by the Uniform Committee and are to be followed.

1. The garment is not to be worn underneath the blazer or soft shell jacket.
2. The garment may be worn as a part of the school uniform for a period of **2 weeks prior** to the event and **1 week post** the event.

Year 12 Bomber Jackets

The Visual Arts leader organises the design, purchase and delivery of the Year 12 Bomber Jackets. Every effort will be made to ensure the jackets arrive early in the year. The jackets are to reflect the school colours (navy, maroon, yellow) and 'nicknames' are to be checked by the Senior Staff Team to ensure they are appropriate. During 'Official College Events' including assemblies the Blazer or Soft-Shell jacket is to be worn in place of the Bomber Jacket.

Uniform Suppliers



283 Lower Heidelberg Road
East Ivanhoe
9499 1439



218 Settlement Road
Thomastown
9464 7555



Acceptable Shoes

Campus Uniform Shop

Noone Imagewear have a Uniform Shop on campus for the convenience of students and their parents. It is a fully equipped store with a complete range of uniform requirements, fitting rooms and EFTPOS facilities. It is open from 8.15am-9.00am on Wednesdays in Room R13.

Second-hand Uniform

There is also the option of a buy, swap, sell Facebook page managed by parents of Viewbank College. Please click on the link below to be taken to the page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/32458672773111>