



BLOUBERG
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

SOUTH AFRICA

UNIFORM POLICY
SCHOOL AND PE UNIFORM
(Summary – Foundation Phase and KS1)

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1. UNIFORM UPKEEP

All uniform items are expected to be well-maintained. Any article that becomes tattered, torn, discoloured, ill fitting, has lost buttons or is otherwise deemed to be in poor repair needs to be replaced by the student's parents/ guardian. School shoes must be polished regularly and sports shoes should be kept clean. Tights may not be laddered. Uniform must always be clean.

2. ACCOUNTABILITY

The Uniform Policy reflects the entire Blouberg International School and International Education Systems community and thus it will be the responsibility of the student, their parents/ guardian and educators to uphold.

3. SIZING, CLEANING AND CARE

All items of uniform need to be appropriately sized.

All items of clothing should be marked with the student's name in case it gets lost. Any lost clothing that is found will be placed in the lost property cupboard.

4. DEVIATIONS

The School recognizes that there may be exceptional circumstances in which students need to deviate from the rules outlined in the Uniform Policy for a short period. Should such circumstances arise, the student's parent/ guardian should email the teacher in charge of their child's Tutor class. The letter should include supporting documentation (as applicable), as well as a date by which the deviation should be corrected.

5. GENERAL RULES REGARDING UNIFORM

Students need to wear their full uniform at all times, whether at school, attending a school function or in public. Shoes and socks/ tights must be worn at all times, unless permitted for a special reason, e.g. a break time activity. Shirts need to be fully buttoned.

5.1. SCHOOL BAGS

School bags must be navy, black or any neutral colour. Tog bags with slogans and logos printed on them are not permitted.

5.2. RAINCOATS AND WINDBREAKERS

Plain navy or black raincoats or windbreakers may be worn to school. Slogans, graphics, embellishments and decorative elements are not permitted. These should be removed before entering the classroom.

5.3. SCARVES, GLOVES AND BEANIES

Plain navy or black scarves and gloves may be worn. Plain navy or black beanies may be worn when commuting to or from school, but must be removed upon entering the building. Slogans, graphics, embellishments and decorative elements are not permitted.

5.4. SHIRTS

a. GOLF SHIRTS

Only navy Blouberg International School short or long-sleeve golf shirts may be worn.

5.5. PE TRACKSUIT

The PE tracksuit should be worn as a matching tracksuit. Fleece tops may not be worn with tracksuit pants.

5.6. SOCKS

a. FOUNDATION STAGE and KS1

Students should wear white ankle socks. Anklets and secret socks are not permitted.

5.7. SHOES

a. SPORTS SHOES

Sports shoes should be clean and of a good fit. Sneakers, crocs, sandals, slippers and similar shoes are not permitted.

- **FOUNDATION STAGE and KS1**

Mostly white shoes should be worn.

5.8. HATS

Students may only wear the Blouberg International School navy peak cap or navy sun hat.

Hats or caps are compulsory for all students engaged in outdoor educational activities. Hats and caps may also be worn at break.

5.9. JEWELLERY

The wearing of jewellery is not encouraged and is done so at the student's own risk.

Blouberg International School will not be held responsible for any loss or damages incurred.

Jewellery should not be worn when playing sport.

- **EARRINGS (GIRLS ONLY)**

One plain (round) gold or silver sleeper or stud may be worn in the lobe of each ear. Students with additional earrings should remove them, cover them with a plaster or wear a neutral bolt. The ring of the sleeper should be small (i.e. should not exceed 2cm in diameter). Stretchers may not be worn.

- **WATCHES**

A simple analogue or digital watch may be worn on the student's wrist.

Smartwatches (i.e. any watch that can make or receive phone calls/ text messages/ emails) are prohibited, unless for medical reasons (relevant documentation is required).

- **OTHER JEWELLERY**

Only jewellery of a medical nature or that has special religious significance to the student may be worn. This should be discussed with the Discipline Coordinator.

5.10. HYGIENE AND GROOMING

Student's personal hygiene and grooming are of paramount importance. Students should bath/ shower and brush their teeth daily. Students should not share grooming items (e.g. brushes and deodorant). Clothing should be washed regularly.

5.11. UNDERWEAR

Underwear, vests and spencers should not be visible.

6. HAIR

a. GENERAL

- Hair should be neat at all times.
- Hair that is shoulder-length or longer should be tied back.
- Hair ties and other accessories may be navy or white, or of a neutral colour that matches the student's hair (e.g. black or brown).
- Hair must be a consistent natural colour. Streaks, highlights, lowlights and multiple tones are not permitted.
- Mowhawks, punk styles and other hairstyles or colours that may cause comment are not permitted.
- Small quantities of gel are permitted to keep the hair neat.

7. CIVVIES DAYS

Students may wear only clothing that is suitable to the educational environment and community context.

- No offensive/ distasteful slogans or graphics may be worn or displayed on clothing or jewellery. This includes, but is not limited to, smoking, alcohol, illegal substances, violence, sex and offensive language or symbols.
- No headgear (caps, hats and beanies) may be worn inside the building.
- Shorts and skirts should not be worn shorter than the width of the student's own hand above the knee.
- Minimal make-up may be worn.
- Long hair may be worn loose, provided it is kept out of the eyes. Students opting to wear their hair loose should be able to tie it back when appropriate (e.g. when working in the Chemistry laboratory).

8. UNIFORM COMBINATIONS

Uniform combinations per season and gender are outlined in the table below. Please note that uniform combinations may not be mixed.

Please note that Year 2 students may continue to wear their everyday uniform for the remainder of 2022.

FOUNDATION PHASE AND KEY STAGE 2
SUMMER: Terms 1 and 4
Boys and girls
Navy golf shirt (short sleeves) PE shorts White ankle socks Mostly white sports shoes Note: The tracksuit top may be worn if students are cold.
WINTER: Terms 2 and 3
Boys and girls
PE tracksuit Navy golf shirt (short/ long sleeves) White ankle socks Mostly white sports shoes

I _____, the parent/ guardian of _____
_____ in Year _____, have read the Uniform Policy
Summary and will communicate the contents to my child.

I understand that the full version of the Uniform Policy is available on the school website.

Signed: _____

Full Name: _____

Date: ____/ ____/ 20 ____