



MOUNT BARKER HIGH SCHOOL

Not for ourselves alone

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

“Our students demonstrate respect for our school by wearing their school uniform”

Students enrolling at Mount Barker High School are required to wear the school uniform, and we find that our students do so with pride. Wearing the uniform helps promote a positive school image, and with identification of the school community and ethos. Mount Barker High School is committed to our students’ wellbeing, and we believe that all students have a right to access a range of uniform options. Supporting all students to wear the uniform options that are most comfortable for them assists in student wellbeing and engagement, which may be especially important for transgender and gender diverse students.

Our uniform is cost-effective, durable, and convenient and is available in a range of options to suit all body types and student ages.

Wearing of uniform is essential for many reasons and these include:

- A positive school image and identification with the school
- A sense of pride and responsibility in belonging to this school
- A safe environment, as any strangers or visitors to the school, can be easily identified
- A sense of equity, since students do not feel that they have to dress competitively
- A lower cost to families in the long term by providing economical, serviceable and safe clothing

It is an expectation that all students will wear school uniform, except for religious and health reasons. By enrolling at Mount Barker High School, you are signing an agreement to abide by the school uniform policy and other Department for Education uniform policies.

Our uniform policy has been developed using a consultative process involving parents, Student Representative Council, Governing Council, students and staff.

DRESS

- **Dress:** blue school check, with a zip concealed behind the button placket front, action back, no pleats in the skirt, and knee-length

TOPS

- **Shirt - Three Styles**
 - blue and white polo knit, short-sleeved shirt with school monogrammed collar
 - blue and white long-sleeved polo top for winter, with school monogrammed collar
 - white business shirt



- **House Sports Tops:** Sports tops in House colours with logo and house name (worn on Wednesdays only and during House events such as Sports Day)
- **Long-sleeved t-shirt:** plain white, navy or black may be worn under the polo top for extra warmth (no collar or hooded jumper)

OUTERWEAR

- **Hooded Jumper- two styles**
 - Dark blue zip-up with kangaroo pockets, school logo
 - Dark blue, no zip, a drawstring at the hood, school logo
- **Jumper:** Grey wool, V-neck with an embroidered monogram
- **Jacket:** Blue puffy style jacket without hood with school logo (other plain black/blue non-hooded jackets may be worn with logos smaller than palm size)

BOTTOMS

- **Shorts:** Mid-length only, plain black, not knit fabric (*no stripes, any logos must be palm-sized or smaller*)
- **Trousers:** Plain black trousers/solid black jeans/black chinos, not faded, frayed or torn (*no jeggings, leggings or blue jeans*)
- **Track Pants:** Plain black (*no stripes, any logos must be palm-sized or smaller*)
- **Skirt:** McDonald tartan, pleated, Mid-length. Black stockings/tights may be worn *under the skirt* for extra warmth

ACCESSORIES:

- **Tie (optional):** Blue and grey stripes
- **Accessories:** Navy accessories such as scarves and gloves, are acceptable
- **Shoes:** Enclosed shoes (*no open-toed shoes, Ugg boots, clogs or crocs*)
- **Jewellery:** Students may wear jewellery provided it is safe, non-dangling, and does not present a Work Health and Safety risk or interfere with learning