

Context: At Kandos High School, we would like to see our students in school uniform each day and wearing it with pride. Studies have shown that when students dress in uniform, they are more likely to come to school with a positive learning attitude and feel more a part of the school. Wearing uniform gives a sense of belonging and inclusiveness. It also increases the students' personal safety by allowing them to be more easily recognised.

1. Kandos High uniform

Students at Kandos High School have the privilege of wearing two distinct types of uniform;

1.1. **Full Dress Uniform:** To be worn on excursions, school photo day, formal assemblies and other occasions when notified.

- KHS school shirt
- Grey or navy-blue school trousers or slacks
- Navy-blue skirt
- Navy-blue shorts (small white insignia acceptable)
- Track suit pants (small white insignia acceptable)
- Navy blue stockings or tights permitted when worn with a skirt.
- Joggers or black school shoes
- School Jumper/ school blazer
- School cap (if required)

1.2. **Everyday Uniform:** The following items may be worn in addition to the Full-Dress Uniform on a day-to-day basis.

- Western Area or NSW Combined High Schools Representative shirt
- KHS Representative shirt (e.g. Sport, SRC etc.)
- NAIDOC week shirt
- Western Area or NSW Combined High Schools Representative jacket or track top
- Cap or a broad brimmed hat

2. Footwear

Footwear in many practical subjects (e.g. Science, all Industrial Technologies, Food Technology, Hospitality, PDHPE) must be safe in order to protect students and avoid injury. (School Uniforms in NSW Government Schools, Department of Education School Uniform Policy 1.3). When instructed by their teachers' students are required to wear leather footwear for these subjects.

3. Unacceptable clothing

The following items of clothing are not permitted to be worn at Kandos High:

- Footless tights or leggings (unless worn with a navy-blue skirt)
- Jeans
- Shorts or skirts that end higher than halfway up your thigh
- Clothes of different colours or patterns or with insignias/logos/stripes (especially brightly coloured)
- Footwear that does not support/protect the foot or ankle or cover the top of the foot (i.e., no thongs, ballet flats or sandals)
- Steel-capped boots (unless for specific purposes)
- Clothes, or bags advertising inappropriate products such as alcohol or have inappropriate language on them

4. Monitoring of uniforms

The process for monitoring students out of uniform is as follows:

- 4.1. Students who are not wearing correct uniform should see the Head Teacher on duty before school to get an out of uniform note. They will need to provide this to their roll call/ class teacher throughout the day.
- 4.2. Head Teachers will return Out of Uniform Register to the Front Office before Roll Call where office staff will enter students as out of uniform on their respective Roll Call onto Sentral.
- 4.3. Roll Call teachers will check uniform during Roll Call, Year Advisers will check out of uniform during Thursday Assemblies and Friday Year Meetings. They will check if a student has a uniform note from the Head Teacher on Duty. Roll Call teachers will only enter a student on Sentral if they don't already have a note.
- 4.4. Roll Call teachers will advise students that do not have a note that they are to meet the Head Teacher on Duty in the quad at the start of lunch on the silver seats outside the breezeway for a reteaching opportunity.
- 4.5. After Roll Call Office staff will add students to detention in Sentral.
- 4.6. Head Teacher on duty will mark the detention roll in Sentral and follow up students who have not attended. Failure to attend may result in further disciplinary action.
- 4.7. Students who are late for Roll Call will be checked by office staff as they sign in and office staff will record out of uniform on Sentral in the period that they arrive.
- 4.8. A report will be generated at the end of each term to monitor compliance.

5. Rewards for consistent wearing of school uniform

Students who wear the school uniform for a minimum of 80% of the time they are at school will be eligible to attend the end of year Rewards Excursion. Throughout the year other rewards may be offered such as free disco tickets or merit awards.

6. Student hardship

- 6.1. Head Teachers, Year Advisers and Roll Call Teachers should monitor data for students who are regularly out of uniform and advise them that the school may be able to provide or assist with purchasing uniforms.
- 6.2. Students who are unable to purchase uniforms due to financial difficulty can contact the Principal, Deputy or their Year Adviser for assistance.
- 6.3. Students who have difficulty accessing washing services can arrange to access the school washing machines by speaking with the Principal, Deputy or their Year Adviser.

