

Year 13 Dress Code

Year 13 is a transition year from school to adulthood, to either tertiary institutions or the work force. The dress code should reflect this transition. However, as the Senior students set the tone for the rest of the school controls over dress are necessary.

Expectations

The over-riding requirements are neatness, appropriateness, cleanliness, comfort and safety, at all times. We expect our Y13 students to dress in a “Business Casual” manner. Students will dress as appropriate for the work place. That is, the dress would be acceptable in an office (eg Accounting Firm, Farmers Trading, Inland Revenue etc).

Guidelines

1. **Footwear: -**
 - * Shoes or acceptable flat boots worn underneath trousers or sandals with back straps. No jandals or slippers.

2. **Clothing: -**
 - * Full tops with sleeves – no singlets or thin-strapped tops
 - * Shirts with a collar
 - * Sheer/see through or low cut garments are not acceptable
 - * Appropriate jackets only
 - * Tidy casual pants (trousers) in good repair – no denim jeans. Dress jeans are acceptable.
 - * Dress shorts, in good repair – no denim shorts
 - * Dress shorts of a suitable length, design and in good repair (girls)
(note- short shorts with stockings/leggings are not acceptable)
 - * Skirts of a suitable length, design and in good repair

3. **Headgear: -**
 - * **No caps, beanies or hats to be worn**

4. Beach wear is **not** acceptable

5. **General: -**
 - * Garments with offensive logos or advertise alcohol or cigarettes, or other banned substances are not to be worn
 - * Hoodies may be worn but the hood **must not** be worn over the head
 - * Rugby jerseys are not permitted
 - * Young men **MUST** be clean-shaven at all times
 - * School rules for jewellery and hair styles apply therefore:
 - Hairstyles must be neat and appropriate for school setting; this means hair that appears natural. Final discretion will be in the view of the Principal.
 - No visible body piercing including face - therefore no nose studs, tongue studs, eyebrow studs etc.
 - * Tattoos must not be visible

Conclusions

Spotswood College is proud that it is the only school in New Plymouth which offers mufti at Year 13, however it can only remain a privilege if the expectations are respected and met by all students.

Students will be expected to make the necessary arrangements for these expectations to be met, over the summer holidays. Students not meeting these expectations will be reported to the Y13 Dean or Senior Management. Students who do not comply will be sent home.