

Student Uniform and Dress Code Policy

PURPOSE Findon High School is committed to providing a safe and welcoming learning environment for all students. The student uniform policy aims to:

- Foster a sense of pride and belonging
- Promote equity among students
- Enhance safety by ensuring students are easily identifiable on site

This policy has been developed and implemented with the support and endorsement of the Governing Council, in accordance with the Department for Education's regulations for policy development and approval.

SCOPE The school dress code sets out the standards for student attire while attending Findon High School. Wearing the school uniform is an important way to present a positive image of our school and build a strong sense of identity among students and the wider community.

RATIONALE The Governing Council has identified several key reasons for maintaining a school uniform policy:

- Uniforms promote a cohesive school community, fostering pride and a shared sense of ownership among students, families, and staff.
- Uniforms are an affordable option compared with casual clothing. The school's uniform committee ensures all items are reasonably priced and appropriate for the school environment.
- Uniforms enhance student safety by making it easy to identify students on site.
- Uniforms help students develop an understanding of workplace expectations they may encounter in the future.

FHS and The Palms Uniform Expectations Year 7-12

All students are required to wear the official Findon High School uniform during school hours, school excursions, and when representing the school.

Acceptable Uniform Items	
<p>Polo top – Charcoal short sleeve polo with FHS logo</p> <p>Jumper – Charcoal crew neck with FHS logo</p> <p>Jacket - Softshell Grey with FHS logo</p> <p>Sports Top – Polo top in house colours with FHS house logo</p>	 
<p>Skirt – Black skirt with FHS logo (no shorter than the top of the knee)</p> <p>School Dress - Checked (no shorter than the top of the knee)</p>	
<p>Track Pants - black tapered leg with FHS logo</p> <p>Shorts - Black sport short with FHS logo</p>	
<p>Black bucket hat - black with logo (available on Qkr from Student Services)</p> <p>Cap - grey with logo (recommended for outside activity in Terms 1 and 4).</p> <p>*Hats are not to be worn indoors</p>	
<p>Shoes - Fully enclosed, predominantly black shoes (no thongs, sandals, or Crocs).</p> <p>Socks/Tights/Scarfs – White, black or grey</p>	

Findon High School – Approved Additional Attire

FHS Year 12 Uniform:

Year 12 students will have the opportunity to design and order a special commemorative Year 12 jacket each year, subject to approval by the school's Executive Leadership.

FHS Physical Education and Sport:

To promote good personal hygiene, students are encouraged to change into appropriate clothing for Physical Education or any other sporting or physical activity lessons. Students should bring a change of clothes. While the school generally provides uniforms for teams participating in sports programs, students may still need to supply their own (black) shorts.

Jewellery:

Jewellery, including facial piercings, is generally discouraged. It may be worn only if it is discreet and does not pose a safety risk. Any loose jewellery is strictly prohibited in workshop areas. For safety reasons, long hair must be tied back in kitchens, workshops, maker spaces, and science labs.

Hats:

Students are encouraged to wear hats outdoors during Terms 1 and 4. Hats must not be worn inside school buildings.

Findon Technical College (FTC) - Uniform Expectations Year 10-12

Purpose: Student uniform expectations are implemented with the support and endorsement of the Findon High School Governing Council following regulations for its development and approval as outlined by the Department for Education. These expectations outline the standard of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by students while attending Findon Technical College (FTC). The uniform has been designed to meet industry requirements for Work, Health, and Safety, and is important in promoting a positive image of FTC and creating a sense of identity among students.

Industry Training Program: All FTC students are required to always wear their industry pathway uniform. This may include specific safety and PPE as required by industry. See details on the next page.

On commencement at FTC, all students will be provided their industry pathway uniform, with the option to purchase additional items as required.

All students are expected to wear their industry pathway uniform to and from FTC every day unless informed in writing of a special event. Students will not be able to participate in industry practical sessions without the correct uniform.

Replacement and additional items In the instance where a student requires a replacement of a uniform item due to damage or loss, it is up to the student to replace the item(s). If there are issues with uniform replacement, contact the Technical College Operations Manager.

Additional items are available to purchase at the student's expense. Please contact FTC Reception to complete an order form for additional items. Limited stock for sizing will be kept at FTC. Please note there may be a 1–2-week turnaround for additional items dependent on stock levels.

Other requirements

Jewellery: Jewellery, including facial piercing, is not encouraged but may be worn in general class areas only if it is relatively inconspicuous and does not constitute a safety hazard. No jewellery that is deemed a safety hazard can be worn within FTC workshops and during practical programs.

Hair: Hair must be tied back while attending FTC.

Hats: Students are encouraged to wear hats outside. Hats are not to be worn inside buildings

Nails: Nails must be kept short, free of artificial nails and nail polish

Shoes: Shoes must be enclosed, flat, wipeable, and non-slip. Steel toe boots are required in AME workshops. HSS shoes must be navy or black.

The base uniform supplied will consist of:

Findon Technical College	
<p>YEAR 10's & 11's</p> <p>Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering</p> <p>2 x hi vis drill shirt- long sleeve (logo) 1 x cotton drill pant (navy) 1 x soft shell jacket (logo) 1 x pair steel capped boots (no synthetic tongue)</p> <p>Optional Additions (self-funded) Any items over the nominated allocation</p> <p>SOFT SHELL JACKETS NOT TO BE WORN IN WORKSHOPS – 100% POLYESTER</p>	<p>Technical College will purchase in bulk and provide to each student</p>
<p>YEAR 10's & 11's</p> <p>Early Childhood and Education</p> <p>2 x short sleeve polo shirts (logo) 1 x general pant (navy) 1 x soft shell jacket branded (logo) 1 x bucket hat</p> <p>Shoes are not supplied however must be enclosed, flat, non-slip shoes. (Sneakers are not acceptable, in any colour.)</p> <p>Optional Additions (self-funded) Any items over the nominated allocation Long sleeve polo</p>	
<p>YEAR 10's & 11's</p> <p>Health and Social Support</p> <p>2 x short sleeve polo shirts (logo) 1 x general pant (navy) 1 x soft shell jacket branded (logo)</p> <p>Shoes are not supplied however must be enclosed, flat, non-slip shoes. (Sneakers are not acceptable, in any colour.)</p> <p>Optional Additions (self-funded) Any items over the nominated allocation Scrub Top (men's / women's) Scrub Pants (men's / women's)</p>	



Dress Code

All students: are required to wear the official Findon High School/Findon Technical College uniform during school/college hours, excursions, and when representing the school/college.

Unacceptable Items

- Hoodies and non-uniform jumpers.
- Ripped or torn clothing.
- Denim, branded, or brightly coloured garments.
- Activewear leggings/shorts – to be worn during HPE lessons and School Sport only.
- Non-enclosed or unsafe footwear (e.g. Crocs, slides, sandals, thongs, UGG boots).
- Excessive jewellery or accessories.

Exemptions

Families may seek exemption from school dress code for a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to religious, cultural and ethnic reasons. Families must provide a written request to the Principal outlining the reasons for the exemption. Requests for an exemption can be submitted to the Principal via email to dl.0805.info@schools.sa.edu.au

Financial Assistance

Families experiencing hardship are encouraged to contact the school for assistance with uniform items. The school may have second-hand uniforms available.

Consequences for Non-compliance

- Students not in uniform will be provided with a loan uniform for the day.
- Repeated breaches will be addressed according to the school's behaviour support policy.
- Parents/carers will be notified of ongoing non-compliance.

Approved Uniform Suppliers

The approved uniform supplier for Findon High School and The Palms is Alinta, located at 383 Grange Road, Findon SA 5023.

The approved Findon Technical College Uniform supplier is Australian Embroidery, Screen Print, and Sublimation, 745-749 Port Road, Woodville SA 5011.

**All prescribed items must be purchased from our supplier.*

Related Procedure/s

 [Alinta Uniform Purchasing Procedure](#)

 [Sun Protection Policy](#)

 [Uniform requirements Technical Colleges - School Version - V3.1.docx](#)

References and Associated Documents

This policy is informed by the South Australian Department for Education's [Student Dress Code Policy and relevant guidelines](#).

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