

25 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Uniforms and expectations

Damascus College is a proud coeducational learning community that continues to evolve as an inclusive, progressive and innovative institution. We are equally as proud of our students and how they present within the College and broader community. This correspondence is designed to support parents to ensure uniform requirements are understood and to communicate who the available suppliers are.

An important part of belonging to the Damascus College school community is the uniform which creates a sense of belonging, removes the pressure to be fashionable and is a great leveller for the wide range of students we welcome. As we continue to celebrate diversity amongst our student population, we allow all students to wear a range of uniform options, including shorts and long pants.

Two uniform shops stock the Damascus College uniform: Dobsons (located on the school campus) and Crockers (located on Armstrong St, Ballarat).

Details of the Damascus College uniform can be found on our website at: damascus.vic.edu.au/enrolment/uniform.

Please note that the female shorts, pants and short-sleeve shirt can only be purchased from Crockers. The Year 12 tie (maroon striped tie) is an optional item that can be purchased from Dobsons. The rain jacket is also an optional item purchased from Dobsons that can be worn to and from school over the blazer and during recess and lunch from June to September only.

If you are unsure about any aspect of the Damascus College uniform, please do not hesitate to contact us at 5337 2222 or by email at info@damascus.vic.edu.au

Please see the following documentation outlining the uniform list and expectations for 2024.

Kind regards

Steven Mifsud Principal

Uniform and Expectaions

Students are expected to wear the complete uniform whilst at the College, travelling to and from the College and when attending College functions, unless otherwise directed. Students may select from option A or B from the official College uniform lists below.

Summer

Option A

- · Summer dress knee length
- Dark grey shorts (with belt loops)
- · Gold short sleeve shirt with pointed collar must be worn tucked in
- Plain black belt with a small buckle (to be worn with shorts and shirt only)
- White socks with school stripes with dress only, and grey socks with stripes with shorts only
- V-neck navy pullover with logo
- Navy blue blazer
- Black polishable leather lace-up regulation school shoes (no T-bars or slip-ons)
- Striped navy blue school tie* (can be worn with shorts and shirt, optional for female students)
- Striped maroon tie (can be worn with shorts and shirt, for Year 12 students only, optional for female students)

Option B

- Dark grey surrey shorts (with belt loops)
- Grey socks with school stripes
- White polyester and cotton permanent press shirt, closed neck, short or long sleeved must be worn tucked in
- Striped navy blue school tie compulsory with both long and short sleeved shirts
- Striped maroon tie (for Year 12 students only)
- V-neck navy pullover with logo
- Navy blue blazer
- Black polishable leather lace-up regulation school shoes
- Plain black belt with a small buckle must be worn with both shorts and long trousers

Winter

Option A

- · College winter skirt knee length
- Long dark grey school pants
- Gold long sleeve shirt with pointed collar must be worn tucked in
- Navy thick tights (to be worn with skirt only, sheer stockings not permitted)
- Grey socks with school stripes (to be worn with pants and shirt only)
- V-neck navy pullover with logo*
- Navy blue blazer
- Black polishable leather lace-up regulation school shoes (no T-bars or slip-ons)
- Striped navy blue school tie* (optional for female students)
- Striped maroon tie (for Year 12 students only, optional for female students)
- Plain black belt with a small buckle (to be worn with pants only)

Option B

- Long dark grey school pants
- · Grey socks with school stripes
- White polyester and cotton permanent press shirt, closed neck, long sleeved must be worn tucked in
- Striped navy blue school tie*
- Striped maroon tie (for Year 12 students only)
- V-neck navy pullover with logo
- Navy blue blazer
- Black polishable leather lace-up regulation school shoes
- · Plain black belt with a small buckle
- * The navy blue striped tie is a compulsory component for Option B uniform styles and optional for Option A

Physical Education

- College polo shirt with logo
- · College rugby top
- College shorts with logo short length for girls, long length for boys
- College tracksuit pants with gold Damascus logo (compulsory in Terms 2 and 3)
- White sports socks with school stripes
- Sports Shoes cross trainers or runners that provides appropriate heel support and cushioning (no canvas or volleys).
- College hat/cap (compulsory in Terms 1 and 4)

Accessories Permitted

- College Back Pack (compulsory)
- College bucket hat can be worn outdoors with summer or sport uniform
- College cap can be worn outdoors with summer or sport uniform
- College Rain Jacket (optional and available only at Dobsons) can only be worn to and from school over the blazer in inclement weather and can be worn at recess and lunch from June to September only. It is not to be worn instead of the blazer.
- Navy or maroon hair ties and ribbons. No other coloured hair ribbons (white, yellow) are permitted.
- Navy College scarf with Damascus logo (available only at Dobsons) permitted with winter uniform only
- Navy or maroon gloves permitted with the winter uniform
- The only permissible jewellery is a watch and a pair of sleepers or plain studs in the earlobe (jewelled studs are not permitted). Piercings on the face or tongue are not permitted.
- Protective clothing necessary for arts, technology, science, home economics must be worn
- Hair must be worn fully tied back from the face. Hair that is only partially tied back is not permitted. The picture to the right shows an example of a hairstyle that is not permitted.

Accessories Not Permitted

- Nail polish
- Cosmetics
- Jewellery and piercings apart from those mentioned above
- · Hats and scarves, other than the regulation school hat and scarf

Blazer

- The blazer must be worn to and from school on all days**
- Students are to wear blazers to and from class. When they arrive in class, they are permitted to remove their blazer
- The blazer must be worn to all school excursions and official school functions such as Assembly and Mass.
- ** On days when the Ballarat temperature is forecast to be 26 degrees or more, as published on SIMON and on the College website (uniform page), students are not required to wear the blazer.

If a student is not in the appropriate uniform, the parent/guardian must provide the student with a written note of explanation for that day only.

Please Note: Uniform infringements will incur a penalty. This may include students being sent home.

Permitted school shoes



Examples of permitted sports shoes



Examples of sports shoes not permitted

