STUDENT UNIFORM

POLICY DETAIL	
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CONTEXT
Thomas More College is a school with over 40 years of tradition and presence in the Northern Suburbs of Adelaide. It has a culture which requires all members of the College community to present themselves in a way which reflects the values and standards of the College. Necessarily, uniform places restriction on personal choice and requires consistency in presentation of all students.

PHILOSOPHY
Uniform and student presentation at Thomas More will be of a standard that brings pride and credit upon the school and be congruent with the high regard with which the College is held in the local community. Uniforms help students grow in a sense of communal identity, developing a commitment to the community and pride in both their school and personal appearance. Wearing a uniform with self-discipline and with dignity can assist in preparing students for the world beyond schooling where often, presentation is crucial in securing jobs. As such at all times, students are ambassadors of the school and are expected to wear the uniform in a way that presents a positive face of Thomas More College. As such students will need to avoid extreme trends and fashions, particularly with regard to hair, personal appearance and deportment.

Thomas More College supports reasonable adjustments to uniform and personal presentation where required to respect sincerely held religious or cultural beliefs, provided these align with safety, wellbeing and the values of the College. Requests for such adjustments will be considered on an individual basis through appropriate College processes.

PROCEDURE
All uniform items are available only through the College Uniform Shop (except shoes).

In wearing the College uniform, a student represents the whole College community. Behaviour while in uniform therefore reflects others - past and present students. The uniform is to be worn correctly and with pride. Behaviour is to be such that the whole College community can be proud of the way it is represented.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS
SUMMER UNIFORM (TERM 1 and 4)

Girls
1. College Green and gold check dress worn at or below the knee. Alternatively, College grey trousers or shorts.
2. Plain white socks
3. College green jumper.

Boys
1. Short sleeve, white shirt with open neck and College logo
2. College Surrey shorts or College Surrey trousers
3. Plain black/grey socks with trousers or grey socks with shorts
4. College green jumper.

WINTER UNIFORM (TERM 2 and 3)

Girls

1. Long sleeve, white shirt with College logo
2. College green check skirt worn at or below the knee. Alternatively, College grey trousers can be worn in place of the skirt
3. College plain black socks or black full-length tights (70 Denier or more)
4. College green jumper (optional item)
5. College Green & Gold striped tie
6. College Blazer: Years 7 – 12.

Boys

1. Long sleeve, white shirt with College logo
2. College Surrey trousers
3. College plain black/grey socks
4. College green jumper (optional item)
5. College Green & Gold striped tie
6. College Blazer: Years 7 – 12.

All students in Years 7 - 12 are required to wear the College blazer to and from the College with the winter uniform. (Official Year 12 jumper may be worn in place of the blazer to and from the College when available). All students in Years 7-12 are also required to wear the blazer to assemblies, masses and at other times when requested by the College e.g. excursions.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM:

Years 7-12

1. Thomas More College charcoal shorts with white piping or Thomas More College charcoal tracksuit pants with white piping, with TMC icon logo in white with red underline
2. Thomas More College green polo top
3. Thomas More College green jacket, with white piping, and red internal collar, with College white cross logo
4. Thomas More College black or white sport socks with TMC icon logo in green or white sport socks with sandshoes/sports sneakers
5. Thomas More College green bucket hat or cap with TMC icon logo in white with red underline (for PE lessons).

Year 10: Students may wear the Physical Education uniform only on the days they have a double lesson
Year 11 - 12: Students may wear the Physical Education uniform for two double lessons as communicated by their teacher.

The Physical Education uniform is not an alternative uniform to wear when something is wrong with the normal uniform.

N.B. An updated Physical Education uniform will be available from 2027. This updated uniform will be:

- Compulsory for the new 2027 Year 7 students
- Optional for students in other year levels.

The current Physical Education uniform will be discontinued by 2030 or when current stock supplies are depleted.

Students in Years 8 to 12 will have the flexibility to mix and match existing PE uniform items with the new PE uniform range during the transition period.

OTHER UNIFORM ITEMS

1. Black leather business-style low cut, low sole and low heel school shoes. In various specialist areas, for safety reasons, no sports shoes are accepted. (compulsory)
2. Thomas More College beanie (optional)
3. Thomas More College bag + College supplied laptop bag (compulsory)
4. College green TMC scarf (optional in Terms 2 and 3)
5. College green or plain black gloves (fingerless gloves not permitted).

PERSONAL PRESENTATION EXPECTATIONS

Item	Expectations	Examples of items that contradict the College's Uniform Policy
Hair	▪ In some situations, safety and hygiene constraints require hair to be tied back ▪ Neat & tidy ▪ Off the face ▪ Natural in tone ▪ Discreet highlights ▪ Hair ties / bands – College green or black ▪ Male students must be clean shaven ▪ Braided hair is permitted where culturally appropriate	▪ Horsie/rats tails, mullets, long fringes covering eyes, shaved hair shorter than number '2' cut ▪ Shaved sections, eye-brow slits, dreadlocks, unkempt hair, extreme hairstyles as determined by the College ▪ 'Un-natural' colours, extreme/contrasting colours
Earrings	▪ Two earrings in one or both ears ▪ Students may wear sleepers no larger than a 5-cent piece in diameter or studs no larger than 5mm	▪ Large hoops, drop earrings or decorative jewellery and stretches
Other piercings	▪ Not permitted	▪ Clear studs, stoppers or band aids covering piercings
Bracelets	▪ One simple gold or silver bracelet/bangle - no larger than 5mm in diameter.	▪ Leather bands, promotional / plastic bands, material ties, elastic ties
Rings	▪ One simple gold or silver ring on each hand	▪ Large rings, decorative rings
Necklaces	▪ Simple thin gold or silver chain ▪ Small religious pendant worn under shirt or dress	▪ Decorative jewellery i.e. surf wear, leather cords, chunky chains, chokers or straps, large crosses/pendants
Make up	▪ Natural tones only	▪ Coloured eye shadow, mascara, eye liner, eyelash extensions, blush or lipstick ▪ Coloured/shaped pimple patches not permitted
Fingernails	▪ Short, well groomed	▪ Coloured varnish, nail decals / treatments
Belts	▪ Plain black	▪ Large buckles, studs or adornments
College Bag / Diary	▪ Must be kept in good order (compulsory)	▪ Graffiti, scribbling, collages, photos, graphics, information not relevant to the College and student learning
Shoes	▪ Black leather business-style, low cut, low sole and low heel school shoes.	▪ Black leather sneakers, sports shoes, street shoes or casual sneakers

Policy Approvals	Signature	Dated
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