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UNIFORM POLICY - GUIDE TO SUITABLE SHOES

The NSW Department of Education and Communities' guidelines in relation to safety and footwear in school, under the 'Occupational Health and Safety Requirements', prohibit students participating in practical activities in school if not wearing substantial footwear deemed safe by the Department. **Unsafe shoes include those with openings, platform or high heels; shoes made from unprotective, open-weave materials such as canvas and cottons; and other materials that do not provide adequate protection.**

At Blaxland High School we have developed a uniform policy in conjunction with the P&C Association which meets the DEC requirements, ensuring safety and comfort for our students.

School shoes are to be **all black**, the entire foot is to be **enclosed** by the shoes, including the upper section of the foot; the shoe is to have a **stout sole and firm leather uppers;** and the shoe is to have **low heels.**

We are proud of our school and school uniform, and have high expectations of our students wearing our uniform in its entirety and with pride.

This information is to help guide you in what shoes are allowed and what are not.

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