

Nashville State School

SUN SAFE POLICY

Topic:	Sun Safety		
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Introduction

DETE has mandated that every school must have a sun-safe strategy.

Policy

1. The school will provide educational programs on sun sense and preventive measures.
2. In planning outdoor activities, teachers and other staff-members will consider sun safety, with particular reference to the following:-
 - Location and timing of activities,
 - Use of protective clothing,
 - Use of effective 30+ sunscreen
 - Procedures that optimise the effectiveness of sun-safe measures.
 - Role-modelling appropriate sun safety measures.
3. The school will develop strategies to increase the available shade over time.

Guidelines

Educational programs

- Sun protection and awareness programs are incorporated in the school's formal curriculum for all year levels.
- Students and staff are actively encouraged to make appropriate and effective use of 30+ sunscreen.

Uniforms and Clothing

- Students are required to wear sun-safe hats for all outdoor activities. The school uniform provides the options of broad brimmed.
- School hats are the standard for all outdoor activities – including camps, free dress excursions and free dress days.
- Staff members are requested and encouraged to wear sun protective hats for all outdoor activities.
- Students are required to wear swim-shirts for all water activities.
- The school uniform is designed to be sun-safe and is regularly reviewed and modified as necessary.

Planning outdoor activities

- A sun-safe plan is required for camps and outdoor excursions as part of the approval process.
- Teachers are encouraged to make use of available shade for outdoor activities.
- Teachers are encouraged to consider alternatives to time spent in the sun between 10:00am and 2:40pm

Swimming

- Students are to wear a sunshirt/ rash vest or a t/shirt when in the pool.
- Students will be encourage to apply their own sunscreen before swimming

Increasing available shade

- The school will work towards increasing shade in its grounds, particularly in areas where students congregate.

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