



Young Voices of Melbourne Uniform Guidelines

Correct uniform is a requirement at all Young Voices of Melbourne performances. By participating in Young Voices of Melbourne, you agree to correctly wear the uniform.

YVM Uniform is:

- YVM t-shirt, worn untucked (purchased through choir)
 - Red t-shirt - Training Choirs
 - Black t-shirt - Choir & YVMen
 - Black long sleeve - Choir & YVMen
 - Tour t-shirt - Choir & YVMen as applicable
- Black Trousers - choir approved, see guide below
- YVM Coat or Jumper *
 - Black Choir Polar Fleece - training choirs
 - Black Choir Jacket - Choir & YVMen
- Black shoes - see guide below
- Black socks or knee-high stockings
- Neat hair, off the face, long hair tied with a red ribbon
- No prominent jewellery or coloured nail polish

**Please note: choir polar fleece jumpers are currently unavailable. Choir members may wear an appropriate jumper or cardigan before a performance if it is cold. Jumpers are not worn on stage.*



Performer Etiquette

Choir members should always arrive at performances in the requested uniform items, and should come changed whenever possible, with hair tied back, off the face and behind the shoulders.

Choir volunteers will be present at all events to help with hair and uniform. This helps to maintain the required appearance of all YVM choristers on stage. Choir volunteers give their time and are to be treated with courtesy and respect.

Black Shoes:

Clean, polished flat black court shoes **or** clean, polished black leather lace up shoes.

- These can often be purchased from Big W, Target, or Kmart. Please see examples below.
- Black socks or black knee-high stockings must be worn under choir shoes.
- Runners, canvas shoes, high heels, boots, sandals, or scuffed shoes are not acceptable.



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Hair:

Neat hair, off the face, long hair tied with a red ribbon.

- Long hair must be tied back, behind the shoulders in a ponytail or braid with a red ribbon.
- Short hair must be off the face. Ribbon optional.
- Choir will provide ribbons, however if you can keep one for multiple uses it is appreciated.
- Red ribbons provide a splash of red colour to compliment the rest of the uniform.
- If you do not wear your hair correctly, please be aware that a choir helper will fix it for you

Choir Trousers:

YVM performance trousers are black school uniform or dress (straight leg) style trouser/slack.

Suitable black trousers are:

- True Black
- No pattern in material
- Full length, straight leg, no cuff or turnup
- have an ironed crease down the front of the leg
- Waistband styles aren't overly important - YVM t-shirts are worn untucked

Please ensure trousers are taken up or down to the correct length when worn with your child's performance shoes.

Denim, leggings, cargo pants & track pants are not suitable options for choir performance trousers. YVM members may be excluded from performance if unsuitable trousers are worn.



Some options for choir trousers include:

Cadenza Apparel

Good Unisex option: "Boys" black regular fit pant (sizes 6-18)

PSW

Flexiwaist Formal Pants - Black (sizes 62-112)

Elastic Back Trousers - Black (sizes 62-117)

Ladies Expandable Tailored Pant - Black (sizes 6L-22L)

Junior Girl's Tailored Pant - Black (sizes 4G-14G)

Dobsons - limited sizes

Essentials Range Womens Pant Tailored Stretch - Black (sizes 4A-20A runs small)

Essentials Range Trouser Youths pleated - Black (10Y-18Y)

We strongly recommend you call PSW or Dobsons before visiting to ensure they have stock in BLACK. These stores can also order in sizes with advance notice.

From time-to-time Target, Big W & Connor have suitable trousers in stock in a variety of sizes. This can be quite seasonal.

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