

STEP BY STEP GUIDE

TO GETTING PANTS & SHORTS INTRODUCED AT SCHOOL



RAISE THE ISSUE

Raise the issue of shorts and pants for girls at a P&C / P&F / School Council meeting, or directly with the school leadership team or principal if appropriate.

GET AGREEMENT

With the various resources GUA has armed you with, aim to get agreement from the Principal / P&C / P&F / School Council that the school can explore additional uniform options for girls. The school may want to create a uniform committee. Ensure you are on this committee.

IF AGREEMENT IS NOT REACHED

contact GUA for support:
enquiries@girlsuniformagenda.org

We can advise what your next steps might be. Your options may include making a formal complaint to the Equal Opportunity Commission in your state or making a complaint under the Sex Discrimination Act.

UNIFORM SUPPLIERS

Meet with your current uniform provider, and talk through what shorts and pants options they currently have for girls.

If your current provider has a range of options, ask them to bring samples into your school and look them over.

CONSULT

Allow the girls to try on these samples and discuss their preferences.

If they do not have any/many, ask them to source girls' shorts and pants from the wider school uniform market, and report back to you on their findings.

Consider any design changes the girls may like and discuss whether these can be done with the uniform supplier. Most uniform suppliers can make changes.

If your provider cannot come back to you with additional options, seek out new providers who do offer girls' shorts and pants options.

Discuss with the provider the logistics for adding new options: eg: how many of each option will you need to buy or stock? How long will it take to make any changes suggested by the girls? How soon can the new options be offered across the whole school?

Contact one or two of these providers and ask them to come to your school with samples.

VOTE AND IMPLEMENT

Take samples (or photos) of the girls' shorts and pants choices back to the P&C / P&F / School Council and share the information around implementation timeframes.

At this meeting, vote to ensure the new options will be implemented across the school. Get clear agreement around when the new options will be available for girls. Monitor progress with the uniform supplier around meeting these deadlines. Communicate changes broadly within your school community.