

Sixth Form Dress and Presentation Code of Conduct

As young adults and role models within the academy it is expected that students in the Sixth Form present and conduct themselves appropriately at all times.

The Sixth Form Dress Code is there to ensure that the high standards the Academy has of its students are upheld and to ensure that students have and maintain high standards for themselves. Students should present themselves in such a way that they are considered well presented enough to represent the Academy and its values within the community.

Dress should be suitable for the Academy community. Students should dress for a professional environment as they are here to study and learn. Clothing that would be appropriate for a social event with friends may not be appropriate for the learning environment at the Academy. Students are allowed to wear any colours as long as the following principles are applied:

'Are my clothes'?

S – sensible?
M – moderate?
A – appropriate
R – reasonable?
T – tasteful?

Examples of points for consideration

- Leggings can be worn but should be done so modestly. Leggings should be fully opaque.
- Shorts can be worn in warm weather provided they are knee length
- Skirts should be worn just above, at or below knee length
- Tops should be modest, for instance; no shoe-string straps, no low cut tops or backless tops
- Midriff must be covered

Some examples of dress considered inappropriate are included in the non-exhaustive list below

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| • Logos of political allegiances | • Extreme hairstyles |
| • Backless shoes, e.g. flip-flops | • Hats and hoods, worn anywhere on site (other than in very poor weather) |
| • Underwear on view | • Ripped t-shirts, jeans or trousers |
| • Outdoor wear worn in lessons or indoor communal areas | |

Piercings and Tattoos

Facial piercings, spacers, plugs or scaffolding and visible tattoos are not permitted. With the exception of a single, small nose stud, no rings or septum piercings. Students with such piercings will be required to remove them and replace them with a clear plastic piercing retainer. Students with visible tattoos will be required to cover them whilst attending the Academy.

Students should carefully consider the timing of any such piercing or tattoo so as to avoid conflict or disagreement whilst attending the Academy.

Hairstyles

Students should maintain a non-ostentatious hairstyle for the duration of their time in the Sixth Form. The colouring of hair should be restricted to dye of a natural colour. Facial hair should be maintained and presentable.

Academy ID badges must be worn at all times (on the lanyard provided, around the neck).

The Academy has the final say on suitability in all instances