

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE 2021-22

Our dress code reflects our culture as a Sixth Form; we want students to have the freedom of self-expression and should feel comfortable for learning. Sixth Form students are role models for the younger year groups, and we would like our Sixth Formers to develop the skill of selecting different clothes for different contexts. There will be occasions when students are asked to dress smartly, but on a day-to-day basis, students should follow these guidelines:

The lanyard must be worn around the neck at all times and be visible (this is an important safeguarding matter)

Footwear should be appropriate for school; no flip flops, sliders or very high heels.

Underwear should be kept as under wear; underwear should not be seen, and crop tops or backless tops should only be worn with an over shirt. Strapless tops should not be worn. The chest area should be covered by a top.

Very short shorts and skirts should not be worn; skirts and shorts should be long enough to cover bottoms whilst sitting down. Trousers should fully cover underwear/bottom.

Clothing which advocates illegal acts or hate crimes, or any clothing that references drugs, profanities or shows other inappropriate imagery should not be worn.

Caps, hoods and other head wear can be worn but in formal settings, such as assemblies or in lesson time, you may be asked to remove these and should do so if asked. Du-rags or headscarves can be worn at any time.

Jewellery is permitted but for health and safety reasons, you may be asked to remove some items for health and safety reasons for some lessons (e.g., science, art, PE).

Students are welcome to dye their hair or choose style that might not have been permitted in lower school. However, again for health and safety, you may be asked to tie hair back.

We understand that a very liberal dress code can lead to potential misunderstanding for students. If any student is unsure, or would like to ask any questions, they should speak to a member of the Sixth Form team. If a member of the Sixth Form team deems a student to be dressed inappropriately, they will be spoken to individually and privately without judgement by a member of staff in the first instance. Where students break this code on more than one occasion, they will be asked to go home and change.