

Collegiate High School A Raising Aspirations Trust

Uniform Policy

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School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the positive ethos of Collegiate High School and sets an appropriate tone in instilling pride, discipline and identity with the school.

Students are therefore expected to take pride in their uniform and appearance, creating a positive first impression of the school, acting as ambassadors when going to and from school and as role models to future students and setting a good example to members of the wider community. Students are expected to take responsibility for their own appearance, upholding policy and showing themselves to have highest standards at all times.

Principles

- Students, parents/carers and staff are expected to work together and uphold the uniform policy at all times.
- It is the responsibility of the parents/carers and students to ensure the correct uniform is worn at all times, following all the rules below.
- Parents/carers should check the days that their children have PE so that the appropriate kit will be brought into school on those days.
- Staff are expected to monitor the uniform and enforce the policy at all times with particular emphasis on the start and end of each lesson and tutor time/registration.
- Students not complying with the rules below may be sent home to change and/or rectify the situation. Minor infringements of the policy will result in a consequence, such as a break time detention.
- The uniform will be reviewed from time to time following consultation with staff, students, parents, governors and local community groups.

Expectations

- All items must be named and the school is not responsible for loss or damage to any garment.
- Ties must be worn correctly fastened, covering the shirt top button.
- The collared shirt is to be tucked into the trousers/skirts at all times. All buttons on the shirt must be present and fastened (including the top button).
- Under garments including vests/t-shirts, must not be visible through or outside the uniform.
- There is no alternative to the school jumper for those who choose not to wear this item.
- Visible alterations to the uniform are **not allowed**. Items mentioned above are not permitted and may result in the student being sent home to restore the garment or having to purchase a new item.
- Any appropriate out-door coat or jacket, preferably **plain** dark in colour (**without any large logo**) is allowed but no outdoor item of clothing is to be worn in the school building. Please note that hooded tops, sweatshirts, and non-regulation jumpers/cardigans are not

considered to be acceptable as “coats” and must therefore not be worn to, from or in school. The only exception to this is the Yr11 Leavers’ hoody for the final half term before they leave.

- Hoods and caps are not permitted.
- Muslim girls may wear a black Hijab but full face coverings as in Niqabs are not permitted. This is in line with DFE guidelines.
- All scarves, hats and gloves to be plain black.
- Students must wear plain black shoes that have no other colour visible and no large adornments. The shoes must cover the whole foot, not go over the anklebones and have a plain black sole. Sandals, flip-flops, mules, trainers/baseball shoes and boots are therefore not permitted. Narrow pointed heels are also not allowed and heels must not be over 2.5cm in height.
- The only jewellery that is permitted is a single, small (less than 0.5cm in diameter) plain metal stud in each ear lobe and a watch.
- Make-up is not permitted and students will be asked to remove any visible make-up, nail extensions/tips and nail varnish.
- Hair is expected to appear well kept and smart. Long hair must be tidy. Shaved heads or designs shaved into the scalp or eyebrow are not permitted. Hair is expected to be of a **natural hair colour** and obvious hair colouring or coloured extensions are not allowed. The use of hair gel is permitted, though it must be used appropriately.
- Hair accessories are to be small and simple in design and in plain Collegiate blue or black, with no large adornments.
- Older boys are expected to be clean-shaven or to have smart and well-kept facial hair.
- PE kit is not to be worn to or from school, except after matches. Students must change back into their uniform after PE lessons, including those at the end of the day.
- Chewing gum looks unsightly, causes damage to furniture and clothes, and wastes staff time in its removal. It is not permitted within the school and students found to be chewing gum will be given a consequence.
- **Mobile phones and other electronic devices can be used for legitimate learning purposes with the permission of the teacher but at all other times should not be seen or heard. If they are, the consequence system will be used and the student will receive a sanction in line with this.**
- Clean PE kit will be offered to pupils who have not brought their own kit. **Pupils are not to refuse to wear this kit.**

Consequences for breach in policy (including PE kit)

- Any non-regulation item including jewellery and electronic devices will be confiscated and retained for the rest of that day. The only exception is mobile phones which will be returned at the end of the day. The school will do its best to keep these items safe but in law is not responsible for loss or damage to these items.
- Any breach of the policy that can be corrected without loss of learning will be, (for example a student will be asked to remove make-up in school). This may result in a further consequence for wasting staff time.
- Failure to bring in PE kit will have consequences and result in ITFE if this becomes a serious problem.
- Visible alterations to the uniform items are not permitted and may result in the student being sent home to restore the garment or having to purchase a new item for the following day.
- The school reserves the right to send a child home for a breach in the uniform policy that the child will not correct within a reasonable time frame. Staff, students and parents must work together to do all they can to prevent this sort of exclusion.

Uniform

- The following items are compulsory and can be purchased from one of our uniform suppliers:

Girls

(All items marked with an * are compulsory)

*Blazer with school crest

*Skirt in regulation Collegiate blue (worn at appropriate length) OR trousers- plain, medium or dark grey (no fashion trousers, jeans, cords or canvas trousers should be worn)

*Regulation pale blue collared shirt.

*Regulation Collegiate tie worn correctly at the neck

V-neck cardigan or pullover in Collegiate blue

*Socks- (black socks or plain black tights)

Shoes- plain black shoes suitable for school.

Boots or shoes with heels must not be worn. Backless "dolly" shoes and canvas shoes are not suitable and are therefore not acceptable for school.

Training shoes (including black trainers) are not allowed to be worn in school except for PE and games and lunchtime games.

The Summer Shirt may be worn once an instruction is given in school until the end of the Summer term. **No** cardigans/ tops/ jumpers etc must be worn other than school uniform blazer and or school jumper/school cardigan. Failure to do this will result in a student having to resort to the Winter uniform. It may also resort to the banning of the Summer Shirt.

Boys

(All items marked with an * are compulsory)

*Blazer with school crest

*Trousers plain black, or medium/dark grey (no jeans, cords or canvas trousers should be worn)

*Regulation pale blue collared shirt

*Regulation Collegiate tie worn correctly at the neck

Pullover (in Collegiate blue)

*Socks- grey, black, dark blue.

Shoes- plain black shoes suitable for school.

(canvas shoes are not suitable and are therefore not acceptable for school.)

Training shoes (including black trainers) are not allowed to be worn in school except for PE and games and lunchtime games.

PE and Games Kit

All students should have: -

Their kit

A towel.

A bag to carry their kit.

A **complete** change of clothing for PE or Games as **it is not always possible to stay indoors in wet weather.**

Girls' Kit

*Skirt – navy blue (badged) games skirt with navy blue football shorts (badged).

Light blue polo shirt (badged)

Long sleeved royal blue shirt.

Training shoes.

Dance slippers (optional).

White sports ankle socks.

Collegiate football socks (striped) (for hockey and football).

Shin pads, gum shield (strongly recommended).

(Optional - available from Rawcliffes - Collegiate Sweatshirt, Tracksuit top and bottoms).

Boys' Kit

*Collegiate blue/black rugby shirt (badged).

Plain black football shorts.

Light blue polo shirt (badged)

Long sleeved royal blue shirt

Collegiate football socks (striped).

White sports ankle socks.

Training shoes.

Football boots (also used in rugby).

Shin pads, gum shield (strongly recommended).

(Optional - available from Rawcliffes - Collegiate Sweatshirt, Tracksuit top and bottoms).

As a high school with specialism in sport we expect all students to take the opportunity to participate in at least one regular activity from our extensive programme of "out-of-hours clubs".

School Clothing Grants

If you are in receipt of Housing Benefit or Council Tax Benefits you may not have to complete a separate form to apply for extra help with a uniform grant. Further information can be found on line at www.blackpool.gov.uk or by telephoning the Assessment Team on 01253 478940.

Monitoring: All staff, parents/carers and students.

Evaluation: Annual, led by AHT/PSU and the Student Support Team

Sponsors: PSU

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