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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Sixth Form Dress Code

The sixth form dress code was given to students upon enrolment and, at the beginning of the year, the code was adhered to extremely well. Many students have maintained those standards, however, there has been a decline in standards for some students, who are wearing casual clothing and/or footwear, which does not observe the principles of 'business dress'. The following extract from the published dress code may prove useful:

Think 'smart work wear'

Shirts or blouses with at least short sleeves, no t-shirts or vest tops, no low necklines or bare shoulders

Smart knitwear and dresses are allowed, no sweatshirts, particularly hoodies whilst indoors

Trousers should be smart (think uniform trousers) and skirts should be at least knee length

Leggings, jeans and denim are not permitted.


Footwear should be smart shoes, not 'Ugg' style boots, high heels or trainers. It is sensible to wear warm boots to walk to school in bad weather, but these must be changed into acceptable shoes once you arrive at the academy

The only exceptions to this dress code are for students timetabled on a particular day for sport, where a standard kit is provided. Level 2 college students should follow the above code on the days they are in our academy. There are several pictures on the wall in the sixth form room which can be referred to if there are queries about any specific aspect of the code.

We will be monitoring the situation carefully and, in some circumstances, may have no choice other than to send students home to change. Clearly, we would wish to avoid taking such action and therefore hope that all students will once again follow the policy as requested.

For students in receipt of bursary, financial assistance is available to support the cost of extra clothing. Any clothes purchased become the property of the student and can be used for part time jobs or interviews, as well as for college. We would encourage those who qualify to identify suitable items online and bring the details to us for approval as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely



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