Uniform Policy

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Person Responsible: Deputy Headteacher
Sedgefield Community College places great importance on the appearance of its students. It is a requirement of the school that all students from Years 7 to 11 wear the recognised school uniform. Uniform items marked with a * must be purchased from our uniform suppliers - Rawcliffes for school uniform / Total Sport for PE uniform.

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:
- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Prevents the children from coming to school in fashion clothes
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school

**School Uniform** (compulsory) comprises of:
- Green blazer with logo*
- Grey knitted v-neck jumper with logo* or grey knitted v-neck tank top with logo*
- White shirt or white blouse – long or short sleeved
- School Tie*
- Traditional black school trousers; traditional school uniform fabric, not denim, denim-look or canvas; conventional school uniform style, not fashion trousers. e.g. combat, flared, skinny or trousers with studs on or black pleated skirt with logo* worn with black opaque tights (skirt of an acceptable length, just above the knee.)
- Plain black school shoes with no visible markings or brandings
- Plain black socks, worn to fully cover the ankle

**PE uniform** (compulsory) comprises of:
- Black t-shirt with logo*
- Black shorts with logo*
- If outerwear is worn it must be a school training top with logo*
- Black football socks

**General Information**

- One small pair of plain gold or silver stud earrings, no larger than 5mm in diameter worn in the ear lobe are permitted.
- A wrist watch is permitted. Please note that Smart Watches are not permitted.
- Rings are not permitted.
- Facial piercings / tongue piercings are not allowed.
- The wearing of make-up, nail polish, false eyelashes, fake tan and false nails is not permitted.
- Hair should be kept neat and tidy at all times. At Sedgefield Community College, hairstyles representing various cults (e.g. punk, Mohican), or hair shaved in bands, stripes, initials or dyed in unnatural colours are unacceptable. Eyebrows shaved in stripes are also unacceptable. If in any doubt please check with the college.
- Large Fashion hair accessories are not permitted, including flowers and hair bands that are purely there for fashion.
- Large fashion belts are not permitted.
- Baseballs caps, hats and fashion scarves are not to be worn around the college.
- Fashion bracelets must not be worn at any time.
- Shirts and blouses must be tucked in with the top button fastened and ties worn close to the neck. The finished length of the tie must reach the top button of the blazer.
- In order to avoid confusion and to keep lost property to a minimum, we advise all items of clothing are clearly labelled before being brought into school.
- We ask all parents to support the school uniform policy. We believe parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good condition.
- The rule regarding the wearing of the grey school jumper or the grey school tank top will be relaxed during the following period: May Bank Holiday until the end of the summer term.

If for any reason your child is not in acceptable school uniform, during break and lunch times they may be restricted to a specific area of the school to ensure that our high expectations in regards to uniform are not compromised.

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