

# Uniform Policy

## Ellesmere Port Catholic High School



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We try to encourage in our pupils a sense of pride in belonging to the school and a sense of confidence coming from a smart appearance suitable for all school occasions. Accordingly the school has a simple, inexpensive but strict uniform policy. Any pupil not in full school uniform or whose appearance does not meet our standards may be sent home or removed from lessons. If there is a genuine emergency, a note should be sent to the appropriate Pastoral Leader.

Full uniform is to be worn on all school occasions unless permission is given to the contrary. It should be worn to and from school

### **All students in years 7 & 8**

Skirt: Plain, dark grey tailored skirt or pinafore dress of a suitable style for school. Skirt length should be at the knee. If the skirt has a split; the split must be below the knee.

Trousers: Grey tailored school trousers in a traditional style.

Blouse: Plain, pale blue. Button to neck.

Shirt: Plain pale blue.

Tie: Ties are compulsory in Years 7 and 8.

Jumper: Grey, V-neck, jumper or cardigan (not with zips) (optional). Sweatshirts or track-suit tops may not be worn.

Socks: Plain grey socks, black or grey tights.

Shoes: Navy, black or brown plain, sensible, flat shoes must be strong and suitable for school. Shoes must be polishable. Boots are not suitable for school.

Blazers: All students in years 7 and 8 must have a navy blazer with the school badge.

### **All students in years 9, 10 & 11**

Skirt: Navy skirt, or pinafore dress, of a suitable style for school. Skirt length should be at the knee. If the skirt has a split; the split must be below the knee. Denim skirts are not appropriate.

Trousers: Navy school trousers in a traditional style.

Blouse: Plain, pale blue open neck blouse. ***If the shirt is a button up shirt, a tie must be worn.***

Shirt: Plain pale blue

Jumper: Navy, V-neck, jumper or cardigan (not with zips) (optional). Sweatshirts or tracksuit tops may not be worn.

Socks: Plain black if worn with trousers or navy if worn with a skirt, black or navy tights.

Tie: Ties are compulsory if the shirt is not an open neck blouse.

Jumper: Navy, V-neck, jumper (optional). Sweatshirts or tracksuit tops may not be worn.

Shoes: Navy, black or brown sensible, flat shoes, and must be strong and suitable for school. Shoes must be polishable. Boots are not suitable for school.

Blazers: All students in years 9, 10 and 11 must have a navy blazer with the school Badge.

## **Appearance**

It is difficult to give a definitive list of what might be unacceptable in terms of appearance. Young people are influenced by fashion as we all are to a degree and this changes regularly.

A clear uniform policy helps of course. In general we would make judgements about the acceptability of dress and appearance based largely upon what might be considered acceptable in a conservative workplace serving the public, a bank for example.

No extremes of appearance are acceptable. This includes hair-styles as well as dress and the school reserves the right to judge extremes of dress and appearance.

**Make-up, including fake tan and fake nails** is not allowed.

**Jewellery** is not allowed, except for a watch and one pair of small studs, one per ear. Studs, worn at students own risk, may be worn only in the lobes of the ears and need to be removed for P.E. and Games.

**Hair** - we insist on tidy hair without extremes of style throughout changing styles and fashions. No shorter than a grade 2. Long hair should have it kept tidily in place, with all hair fully tied back if the hair touches the collar.

Hair spray and hair gel are not allowed for reasons of safety. All such dressings render hair more flammable and represent an avoidable risk in the workshops, laboratories and Home Economics rooms.

## **School bags**

School bags must be large enough to carry everything required for the school day. Students **MUST** have a BACK PACK e.g. it should be robust and large enough to hold an A4 folder and large textbooks without damage.

## **School shoes**

If school shoes are not suitable or if trainers are worn, replacements will be provided by the school and this is NOT optional. If a student refuses to wear the school shoes, Parents and Guardians will be called to bring in suitable school shoes.

**If uniform standards are not adhered to the school reserves the right to provide suitable uniform until a replacement item can be sourced.**