



School Uniform

Uniform Policy Summary - Whitworth Community High School insists on the highest standards of uniform. It is important that students take pride in their appearance and are aware of the impression their appearance makes within the community. Whitworth Community High School seeks to promote a sense of belonging and shared identity through the implementation of its uniform policy.

The Headteacher will be the arbiter in all matters relating to uniform, dress and appearance. Parents/carers and students are advised to consult the Headteacher, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team, if they are considering uniform, dress or appearance changes that might conflict with the school policy.

Any student who arrives wearing the incorrect uniform, wearing inappropriate jewellery, or with an unsuitable hairstyle or hair colour may be removed from lessons and parent/carer contacted. A record will be made in the student's file. If a student persistently ignores the uniform code, the school will need to employ further sanctions including lunchtime detentions.

Blazers - Blue blazer for Y7 to Y10. Grey blazer for Y11 only - blazers are only available from school.

School Tie - blue with red stripe clip-on tie - this is only available from school.

White Shirt - must be tucked into skirt or trousers, top buttons fastened.

Skirt or Trousers - The WCHS skirt is only available from school. It is to be worn with the hem of the skirt on the knee or longer (not shorter, and rolling up of waistbands is not permitted); or conventional black tailored school trousers (not skinny fit, denim, canvas, stretch, leggings or jeggings). Please purchase trousers that are long enough to at least touch the shoe (no 'crop' or 'ankle grazers' please). Trousers can be purchased from any retailer as long as they conform to the above description. In response to parent/carer feedback, a service has been set up on <http://www.swidtp.co.uk/> for any parents/carers who are struggling to find suitable trousers that meet the policy requirements. A pre-purchase fitting service is available in school as is a free click-and-collect option for convenience and to reduce costs to parents/carers.



Skirts can only be purchased in school and should be knee length.

Black Socks - or plain black tights – not both. If wearing the new skirt with black socks, then the socks must be knee high with no frills. If wearing school trousers, socks must be black and at least ankle length (Not trainer socks).



Summer term only as announced by the headteacher.

Trainer socks not to be worn at all.

Shoes - low heeled, below the ankle, completely plain black leather or leather look with no coloured logos. Please note that trainers, boots (including 'Kicker' style boots), pumps, canvas, 'Dolly' shoes with no top strap, sports branded footwear and footwear with Dr Martens soles or similar are not acceptable.



Outdoor Coats are not to be worn inside the school. Parents are asked to buy only blue or black outdoor coats. Hoodies are not allowed and will be confiscated.



PE Kit - is available from Anne's in Bacup, Moses or Ziggy's in Rochdale. Students missing any item in their PE kit will be given a 30 minute detention after school on a Friday. The PE kit includes: WCHS PE top, WCHS shorts or skort, Royal blue socks, WCHS half-zip mid-layer top (optional).

Additional Information - Parents should be aware that we do not permit extremes of fashion in students' hairstyles or dress. Students must be clean shaven. Make-up, false nails, false eyelashes, nail varnish and fake tan are not acceptable. Jewellery must be limited to a watch and one small pair of plain studs, worn one in the lobe of each ear. No facial or body piercings are permitted for health and safety reasons. Mobile phones and any other electronic devices other than calculators are banned in school and will be confiscated. **Further details about all of the above items can be found in the uniform policy, available on the school website.**