POLICY TITLE: Sixth Form Dress Code

STATUS: Non-Statutory

DATE OF REVIEW: September 2026

As role models to younger years, we expect our Sixth Form students to dress in smart attire, appropriate for the school, working environment. In addition to this, to support with our safeguarding responsibilities, lanyards must be worn at all times whilst in school.

Tops: Smart blouse, top or shirt (ties optional). Smart polo shirt. Smart cardigans or jumpers.

T-shirts with large logos, slogans or graphics. Denim, crop tops, vest tops, transparent tops, or beachwear. Oversized tops, hoodies or sweatshirts, casual style sportswear, are not permitted.

Bottoms: Smart skirts (and any spilt) when worn, should be nearer to the knee in length than the hip or smart trousers. Tights when worn should be plain.

Jeans, joggers/leggings, cargo trousers, denim, leather/faux-leather are not permitted. Shorts are not permitted. Short/mini skirts are not permitted.

Dresses: Smart skirts (and any spilt) when worn, should be nearer to the knee in length than the hip.

Short/ mini-dresses or beachwear style dresses are not permitted.

Footwear: Formal style shoes, plain black trainers and formal sandals. Boots may be worn provided they are smart and not excessive in height.

Casual footwear such as flip flops, other trainers, or canvas shoes are not permitted.

Outerwear*: Coats, jackets, or sweaters should be appropriate for a professional environment.

Hoodies, or other overly casual outerwear, such as leather, biker or denim jackets are not permitted.

**Outerwear to be removed in all study areas and classrooms.*

Other expectations:

- Ear Stretchers and nose septum piercings are not permitted.
- Other ear & nose piercings are permitted, however should be discreet. No other facial piercings will be permitted.
- Other jewellery is permitted but should be kept to a minimum.
- Hair should be styled & coloured appropriately for the school environment.
- Nail polish is permitted but should be professional in manner. Excessively long pointed nails that could pose a safety hazard are not permitted.

Valuables: Sixth Form Students are permitted to bring mobile devices into School, but they should only be accessed in the Sixth Form Areas. We do encourage students to respect each other's property, and we do take reasonable steps to ensure the safety of such

items, however, if items become lost or damaged, we cannot accept liability for this. Personal property brought into the school is done so at the owner's risk.

Students are encouraged to express their individuality within the parameters of this dress code while maintaining a professional appearance.

Where there are breaches of the School's Sixth Form Dress Code, sanctions in line with the school's behaviour policy will be applied accordingly. This may mean that students are sent home to change or removed from circulation and not permitted to attend timetabled lessons.

Should students have any questions relating to what may or may not be acceptable as part of the Dress Code, are advised to speak to the Leader of Sixth Form or Sixth Form Centre Manager prior to making any purchases.