



Horizon Community College

Uniform Policy

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UNIFORM POLICY

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SECTION 1 Introduction and Expectations

All students are representing the College as soon as they are wearing the College uniform. We expect students to wear their uniform with pride at all times, from when they leave home to arrive at College and until they return home in the evening. If any student arrives to College with incorrect uniform or there is a delay in items of uniform being purchased/ordered/delivered, the College will provide a temporary replacement. If a student refuses to wear the replacement, they will be unable to attend their lessons.

We run a pre-loved uniform shop to support families with the 'cost of living'. Email info@horizoncc.co.uk for further information about this. Whilst we recommend vortex, families are also welcome to look for secondhand suppliers.

We have two recommended suppliers:

[Horizon Community College | Smart Uniforms](#)

<https://www.vortexschoolwear>

SECTION 2 The Uniform



SHIRTS

Shirts must be completely white, short or long sleeved, with a top button present and fastened at all times. White shirts can be purchased from any retailer.

BLAZER

Students are expected to wear the College blazer throughout the school day. However, at an appropriate time during the summer term, this will become optional; we will contact parents to inform them of this. Blazers should be purchased from the approved supplier (see website for order form). Sleeves should be rolled down at all times.

TROUSERS

Trousers can be purchased from any uniform supplier and must be formal, straight leg, plain black with no zips, studs or patterns. Trousers which cling to the ankle (similar to leggings) are not suitable for College.

OR

SKIRTS

If your child wishes to wear a skirt you must purchase this from the approved supplier (see website for links to Vortex and Smart Uniforms). Any other brand or style of skirt is not permitted. The skirt must not be rolled up at the waist and the length of the skirt must not be

altered. Skirts are sold at, and must remain at, 20 or 22 inches long. Students who do not wear their skirt correctly may have the option to wear a skirt removed and will have to wear trousers.

LANYARD

All students must wear their college lanyard and student ID card at all times while on site. Lanyards and ID cards must be worn and visible from the moment students enter the college gates each morning. Students may only remove their lanyard if instructed to do so by a member of staff for health and safety reasons, for example during DT, PE or Dance lessons. The colour of each lanyard identifies the student's year group and must remain visible at all times, and should not be tucked into clothing. Student's will be provided with a lanyard and Student ID on their first day of each academic year, lost lanyards and cards must then be replaced (£1 for lanyard, £1 for ID card).

TIES, BELTS AND ACCESSORIES

Ties must be the clip-on version with the correct coloured logo - dependent on the Year group the student is in. Belts must be plain black with no logos, patterns or any other colours. Socks must be plain black or dark and are not allowed to be rolled over the knee. Students must not wear leggings instead of tights. Tights are optional, they must be plain black or neutral, no patterned tights.

SCHOOL BAG AND EQUIPMENT

All students must bring a school bag each day. The bag must be large enough to carry exercise books, a planner, all required equipment and kit, and any outerwear.

Students must have a pencil case containing a black pen, purple pen, pencil and ruler (15 cm or longer). Students who do not have their own pencil case will be provided with one by the school; however, a £1 replacement charge will apply if it is lost. Students are welcome to bring additional stationery items, such as highlighters, to support their learning.

All students must also have a scientific calculator. The Mathematics Department recommends the Casio FX-82 or FX-85 models. Stationery items and calculators can be purchased from Student Reception before and after school, and during break and lunchtime.

JUMPERS AND CARDIGANS (Optional)

A plain, all black, V-necked woollen material jumper or V-necked, buttoned cardigan can be worn by students. There must be no logos and buttons must be all black. Round neck jumpers and hoodies are not allowed.

OUTDOOR COATS AND JACKETS

Students are allowed to wear outdoor coats, jackets, scarves, gloves and snoods travelling to and from College, and at break time and lunchtime if they wish to go outside. They will be expected to remove all of these items at the student entrance, as they enter the College building. Students can keep outerwear in their locker or their school bag.

SHOES

Shoes must look formal and be completely black - the eyelets must be black or silver and laces must be all black. The material should be leather or look like leather (patent and suede are allowed). Any buckles should be black or silver (smaller than 3cm) and small bows must be also black (smaller than 3cm). Heels should be no higher than 1 inch. No trainers, boots, pumps or canvas shoes will be allowed. See pictures in section 5.

JEWELLERY

Only one ring and up to two pairs of small, plain stud earrings (two piercings in each ear) can be worn by students whilst they are at College. Coloured studs, large stud earrings, stretchers, sleepers, bars and spikes are not permitted and must be removed if seen. Any extra jewellery must be removed. No facial piercings are allowed, including tongue piercings. This includes clear piercings. Students will be expected to remove and hand in any extra piercings and/or jewellery which will be stored safely until the end of the school day.

HAIR

Only natural hair colours are permitted. Any hairstyle deemed to be extreme due to the cut/colour will be addressed by the college and the student will be given a timeframe to allow for the correction to take place.

Hair accessories must be discreet – no bandanas or large bows. Black/tortoiseshell coloured hair clips, grips, bobbles or Alice bands are allowed. The Alice band should be simple in design, without any embellishments such as sequins and logos. Hair accessories should complement the uniform and not serve as a distraction.

MAKEUP

This must be natural looking or discreet - bright lipstick or heavy eye make-up are unacceptable. Eyelashes must look natural (e.g. thick 'volume' false eyelashes are forbidden). Students will be expected to remove 'excess' makeup before accessing their normal timetable. Acrylic nails and false nails are also not allowed. Bright or dark nail polish is not allowed. Subtle nail varnish in muted tones (such as dusky pink) is permitted.

HEADWEAR

Religious headwear may be worn alongside the school uniform for students who are members of or follow a particular faith. Headwear should be plain in appearance and be black or dark green in colour.

Caps, hats and scarves are not acceptable.

We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to these guidelines to ensure a consistent and appropriate appearance for all students.

If you are unsure whether items of uniform are suitable please check with the pastoral teams before you purchase them. Seek advice on any extreme changes to hairstyles if unsure.

SECTION 3 PE Kit for Girls and Boys



It consists of:

Horizon polo shirt (short or long sleeve)

This should be bought from our approved supplier (see website for order form).

Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings

These can be purchased from any retailer; they do not need to be branded.

Black shorts

These can be purchased from any retailer; they do not need to be branded.

Sports trainers (compulsory)

These can be purchased from any retailer; they do not need to be branded.

Sports boots (football/ rugby)

These are optional.

Hair bobble for long hair

No jewellery

SECTION 4 Trousers

These trousers are not approved

- No chinos
- No zips or other details on the ankle
- No skinny fitting trousers
- No leggings
- Any detail such as metal studs and patterns on trousers deems them unsuitable



These trousers are approved



SECTION 5 Footwear

This footwear is not approved



No trainers or sporting shoes



No metallic/plastic/colourful logos or attachments



No canvas, leather pumps, sneakers or skating shoes.



No rubber toe pumps allowed



No boots

This footwear is approved

All shoes must be plain black and made of leather or material which looks like leather



These are the only exception for the Kickers shoes



This is only exception for the Dr Marten shoe. Dr Marten boots are not allowed.