



Policies

Uniform Policy

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Rationale

Our core purpose is to enable all students to learn and to achieve. To facilitate this all students in Years 7 to 11 must wear the Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School uniform. This uniform provides standardisation and allows for equality of opportunity.

Purpose

To set high standards in the main school and foster the sense of school ethos and culture.

What are the expected uniform standards?

- The school's jumper (black with the school badge)
- A plain white, long or short sleeved shirt
- A house tie
- Plain black tailored trousers
- Plain black Charleston or Henley Banner skirt (available from school uniform suppliers) Note the skirt must be no more than 8 cm above the knee and must be worn with black tights.
- Plain black coat
- Shoes must be **ALL black**, sensible and appropriate for school
- Natural, subtle make-up for Years 10 and 11 only.
- One pair of small discrete stud earrings.
- Please ensure that all items of uniform and kit are clearly marked with name

What is not acceptable?

- *Other than the school jumper and shirt, any other item of clothing worn in their place or additional to them are not part of the uniform standard.* This includes, but not exclusively non-uniform jumpers, cardigans, hoodies, sweatshirts, tracksuit tops, fleeces.
- *Any other legwear apart from school trousers is not part of the uniform standard.* This includes but not exclusively, jeans, 'jean cut' trousers, skinny fit trousers, chinos, leggings, tracksuit bottoms, flares, trousers with splits etc
- *Anything other than an all black shoe ('all black' applies to all parts of the shoe, sole, laces etc) is not part of the uniform standard.* Note that canvas shoes, boots or any shoe that is not completely black, including obviously branded or sports logoed trainers are not part of the uniform standard.
- All non black tags, tabs, bars etc attached to shoes are *not part of the uniform standard*
- Any skirt other than those detailed above *is not part of the uniform standard*
- Skirts must be worn with tights, not worn with socks.
- Multiple earrings and other facial piercings *are not part of the uniform standard.*
- Excessive jewellery including rings, bracelets, necklaces etc *is not part of the uniform standard*
- Make-up in years 7,8,9 *is not part of the uniform standard*

- Excessive make-up in years 10 & 11 Nail polish, false nails, eyelashes *is not part of the uniform standard.*
- Extreme hairstyles, including multi-coloured hair, extensions, large decorative hair accessories *are not part of the uniform standard.*
- Visible body art *is not part of the uniform standard*

PE uniform

Boys essential PE kit	Girls essential PE kit	GCSE Dance (Year 10/11)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HCCS reversible Rugby Top ● HCCS navy T shirt ● HCCS navy shorts ● Navy socks ● Trainers, shin pads,gum shield ● HCCS blue track pants ● Gum shield 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HCCS fleece ● HCCS navy fitted T shirt with sky blue flashes on shoulder ● HCCS navy shorts ● Navy socks ● Trainers, shin pads,gum shield ● HCCS blue leggings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plain black leggings ● Black leotard ● Black jazz shoes ● Black GCSE Dance T Shirt

Note that all jewellery must be removed for PE sessions except for SOS Medic-Alert.

Dealing with non-compliance

Students are expected to be fully compliant and to rectify any issues with uniform promptly and without argument.

Students will be expected to remove and handover any items that are not part of the uniform standard and/ or ensure that when asked, they modify how they present themselves in such a way that brings them in line with the expected standards

Students not in correct uniform or presenting themselves in a way that is not in line with expectations will be dealt with by the most appropriate person.

The following steps may be used so that standards of uniform and presentation are as expected

- Corrective uniform provided
- Requirement to modify their presentation (for instance removing makeup, false lashes, nails, jewellery etc)
- Items of non uniform confiscated
- Phone call to parents to rectify situation
- Phone call to parents to collect student
- Behaviour points

- Removal from the normal school day to work in Internal Isolation
- Suspension

Years 12 and 13 (Sixth Form)

Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School and Sixth Form College encourages a professional approach by all students and staff in behaviour and dress. Although there is no uniform, dress should be appropriate to a working and learning environment. Clothes need to be modest, clean and comfortable - offensive or suggestive slogans, excessive piercing, visible tattoos and clothes which reveal too much flesh are not allowed. All decisions on these issues are at the discretion of the Director of Sixth Form.

Roles and Responsibilities

School

- To ensure that students maintain high standards of uniform and appearance and uphold the school's ethos and high standards.

Parents

- To ensure your child adheres to all expectations and standards of the Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School uniform policy.
- To contact the school if there is any reason for the expected school uniform not being worn.

Students

- To wear the Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School uniform with pride and maintain the school's expected standards of dress and presentation.