Featherstone High School

Uniform Policy

(including jewellery and make-up)



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1.0 Aims

Our school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of Featherstone High School. Our school uniform promotes a strong, cohesive, school identity that supports high standards and a sense of identity amongst the students. To maintain good order and to identify potential intruders easily (safeguarding reasons) all students must wear their uniforms at all times.

The school uniform is:

- White shirts (no blouses)
- Featherstone High School tie for the student's year group
- Black blazer with Featherstone High School badge
- Black, plain loose fitting trousers or skirts
- Block or blue socks
- Black shoes.

2.0 Equal Opportunities

Featherstone High School celebrates the diverse communities that are represented within the school. Students that have to cover their hair for religious reasons, must wear dark blue/black colours. A white Headscarf can only be worn during the Summer Term. The item should be worn traditionally to respect the religion fully. The school uniform however must be on show at all times (e.g. the school shirt and tie must be visible).

Additional items such as the Hijab can be worn for religious purposes, however, the school shirt and tie must be visible. Students who wear the Abaya (which must be plain black with no design) should ensure that they wear the school uniform underneath and the school shirt, tie and blazer must be visible.

Sikh students who have been baptised can wear the five "articles of faith" that must be carried at all times. The Kirpan may only be worn with the permission of the Headteacher. Parents and students will need to meet with the Senior Pastoral Team to discuss expectations and sign an agreement. Sikh students are permitted to wear a thin Kara. Sikh students are asked not to wear thick Karas for health and safety reasons. Practising Sikh's are allowed to wear the 'Patka' or a turban/'Dastaar' (for practising Keshadhari students); no durags allowed.

Christian students are permitted to wear a crucifix (worn underneath clothing).

3.0 Jewellery

Students are permitted to wear a pair of small plain ear studs (no larger than 4mm in diameter). One small, plain nose piercing is permitted. Students with other facial/ visible piercings will be asked to remove them.

4.0 Makeup

Any make-up worn should be light and barely visible. Students are asked not to wear mascara, lipstick, eye shadow, fake eye-lashes, eyeliner, nail varnish or fake nails. Students wearing excessive make-up or fake eye-lashes/nails will be asked to remove them.

In the Sixth Form, students may wear make-up but this should not be excessive. Students are prohibited from wearing fake eye-lashes or nails. Students are to ensure that jewellery is kept to a minimum of a pair of plain studs and a narrow kara. Students will be requested to remove any items of jewellery deemed inappropriate.

Students who are not wearing suitable clothing or not dressed in a professional manner will be required to return home and change and parents will be informed.

5.0 Hats, Coats and Scarves

These must be plain black or plain dark blue. Scarves worn must be plain black or plain dark blue, in line with the school colours.

6.0 Hair Styles

Students are to have traditional haircuts/styles. Tracks or lines/ patterns/mohicans/unnatural hair colours are not permitted. Tram lines or other shaved shapes in the hair and slits in the eyebrows are also not allowed. Students who break this rule will not be able to attend lessons until the hairstyle is changed.

7.0 Summer School Uniform

Summer school uniform can be worn from the start of the Summer Term. Students will be reminded of this. Students that have to cover their hair for religious reasons can wear a white or sky blue headscarf during the Summer Term.

Sixth Form students may remove their Tie and blazer however, all other parts of the uniform apply.

8.0 What Students Should Not Wear to School

- Tracksuit tops or hooded jumpers
- Jackets instead of blazers (Jackets can be confiscated)
- Durags
- Snoods
- Leather jackets (or imitation)
- Two tone jackets
- Hooped or big earrings or tongue piercings
- Rings, thick bangles
- No caps are to be worn unless it is for religious purposes.
- Hats or scarves associated with gang/group/football membership
- Hoods on coats should only be worn if it is raining or in very cold conditions.
- Hats and hoods should not be worn inside the school or outside the school buildings
- Cardigans are not to be worn
- Crew neck jumpers
- No multi-coloured socks
- Excessive make up or any nail varnish.

This is not an exhaustive list. Any item worn that is deemed inappropriate will not be permitted. We advise students not to have their ears pierced during the academic year

because all piercings need to be removed for PE and Dance lessons. Students who break the school uniform code will be sanctioned in accordance with Featherstone's Behaviour Policy.

9.0 Featherstone High School PE Kit

The PE kit should be brought to school on the days students have PE:

- Plain red polo top (or FHS branded one)
- Navy blue shorts
- Autumn and Spring Term: Red Socks and trainer
- Summer Term: White trainers/Ankle Socks

Trainers should be suitable for indoors and outdoors.

Jewellery and Valuables

Students who have their ears or nose pierced must remove earrings/ studs for PE lessons. Students will not be allowed to actively participate until earrings/studs have been safely removed. All valuables must be handed to the teacher before entering the changing rooms.

Religious Items and Wear

Students may wear long sleeve white or red tops in PE underneath their red polo shirts to cover their arms. Pupils are also permitted to wear tracksuit bottoms in place of shorts providing they have a note written in their diary and shown to the teacher.

The Kara and Kirpan must be removed for PE lessons. Where these cannot be removed there must be adequate padding or protection for the activity. Karas can be covered with a sweatband if they cannot be removed. Where items cannot be removed and the situation cannot be made safe the individual student will be unable to actively participate and alternative involvement in the lesson will be arranged.

Additional Information

During cold months only, students may additionally wear the following:

- Plain navy sweatshirt (no hoodies or zips)
- Plain full length navy tracksuit bottoms (not ¾ length)
- White/red long sleeve T-shirts under the PE top.

10.0 Equipment

Essential items for students to bring every day:

- Student Planner must be carried in the students bag at all time
- School bag large enough for the students equipment
- Refillable water bottle
- Reading book
- Scientific calculator
- Pencil case containing 2 black ink pens, 2 green ink pens, HB pencils, rubber, pencil sharpener 15cm or 30cm ruler & geometry set
- English dictionary
- All other books & equipment students need for the subjects during the day including their Art sketchbook and labelled plastic container for food technology.

11.0 Mobile Phones

Students in Years 7 to 11 are not to bring mobile phones into school. They are not to be used in lessons, corridors or in any part of the school building.

Students will only be permitted to bring a phone into school, in extreme circumstances, with the permission of a parent/carer and their respective Head of Year. Phones will be confiscated if they are seen or heard.

Students in the Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13) are allowed to bring mobile phones to school however, they are not allowed to be visible and can only be used in the Sixth Form building. Mobile phones are not allowed to be used in lessons however, students are allowed to use their mobile phone to listen to music when in the I/L or library.

Confiscated Phones

In most situations, when confiscated, mobile phones will only be returned on a Friday. Please note that phones confiscated on a Friday will be returned the following week.

Only a parent/carer (not a sibling) can pick up the phone from the school's main reception.

12.0 Sixth Form Dress Code

The Sixth Form dress code states that students should be in professional attire. The following items are compulsory:

- Tailored trousers/knee-length skirt or dress
- Blazer or suit jacket
- Dress shirt/Blouse (and tie)
- Smart tops which cover the waistband when untucked
- Footwear must be formal and dark in colour
- Sixth form lanyard
- Students may wear smart knitted jumpers under their jackets in cold weather
- During the summer students may wear sleeveless and short-sleeved shirts.

Not acceptable:

- Leather jeans, skinny fit trousers or leggings
- Tailored shorts, Bodycon dresses, mini/short skirts and dresses
- Sweatshirts, hoodies, baggy jumpers, spaghetti straps, crop tops, off the shoulder tops or slogan tops
- Trainer, plimsolls, open-toed sandals, backless sandals, sliders or Doc Martin style boots.

For further information, please refer to the Sixth Form Handbook.

Appendix 1

School Uniform Summer Uniform





PE Kit



Appendix 2

Sixth Form Uniform



FHS SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE



The Sixth Form Dress code states that students should be in **Professional Attire**



Not Acceptable





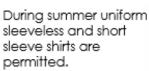
Compulsory

- Tailored Trousers / Knee Length Skirt or Dress
- Blazer or Suit Jacket (including over Abayas)
- Dress Shirt / Blouse or shirt/tie
- Smart tops which cover the waistband when untucked.
- Footwear must be formal and dark in colour.
- Jackets and Coats must be formal (no logos)
- Your Sixth Form lanyard





Smart knitted jumpers may be worn under your suit jacket in cold weather.







RULE OF THUMB

If you think you might get pulled up on what you are wearing or are even a little unsure – **DON'T WEAR IT!**



Leather, Jeans, Skinny fit, or leggings







Flared trousers, Bodycon dresses or Mini/Short Skirts













Sweatshirts, Hoodies, Cardigans, Spaghetti Straps, Crop tops, Off the shoulder tops, or slogan tops.









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