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Uniform and Standards of Appearance Policy

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1. Ashlawn School Uniform Policy

At Ashlawn School we are preparing our students for life beyond school and recognise that it is therefore important that students are used to following standards of dress as specified by the organisation for which they may work. We expect all students in years 7-11 to attend school wearing full school uniform as per the policy. Sixth Form students' expectations are to wear appropriate business dress, broadly in line with the TLET staff dress code.

It is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure students are dressed appropriately for the school day. Students will be asked to wear uniform provided by school or parents/carers may be called to rectify the uniform by bringing in appropriate school dress on the day. Any refusal would result in them being withdrawn from lessons for the day.

We ask parents and carers to support these expectations and ensure that their child is in the correct school uniform or has a business-like appearance every day. The school reserves the right to decide on the suitability of any items of clothing and business-like appearance. Should parent/carer be unsure about anything, we urge you to contact us before purchasing school uniform items, including footwear, or making changes to appearance.

2. Year 7-11 Uniform

Core Uniform:

- Ashlawn School logo polo shirt (Burgundy for Y7-9 and Black for Y10-11)
- Black, smart, tailored trousers (please note that trousers should be full length, in a fabric suitable for formal wear and with a button and a zip. Trousers that have rivets or stitching like jeans are not permitted. Leggings are not permitted)
- Ashlawn School logo knitted jumper/cardigan (if student wishes to wear a jumper)
- Plain black leather or leather look shoes or trainers
- Coats and outer garments should be black, dark grey or navy blue

Optional Uniform Items:

- Ashlawn School logo pleated skirt.
- Ashlawn School logo shorts

Please note students can only wear a pleated Ashlawn skirt with logo or shorts with a logo. No other skirts or shorts will be permitted.

Jewellery

- Students may wear one pair of stud earrings.
- Students may wear a watch.

- Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not permitted negotiation will be considered for religious purposes
- Nose studs and facial piercings are not permitted

Students wearing excessive jewellery will be asked to remove the jewellery, place it in an envelope and collect it at the end of the school day.

Hair

- Hair should be of a colour that is considered natural.
- Extremes of hair colour or style are not permitted. Longer hair will need to be tied back for PE and other practical activities and should not cover eyes during lessons.

Cosmetics

- Make up should be subtle
- Nails should be of a length suitable for all activities. Please note that students will need to file down long nails if they attend school with nails of an unsuitable length to safely participate.
- Nails should not be brightly painted and any false nails should be of a suitable length for all activities

PE Kit:

- Ashlawn School PE t-shirt
- Ashlawn School PE shorts/skort
- Royal blue socks
- Trainers

Additional PE items:

- Rugby/football boots
- Gum shield
- Shin pads

Other PE items are also available to purchase but these items are not required.

We encourage parents and carers to purchase uniform items from the PTA uniform shop. Good quality pre-loved items are available at very low prices and making use of this option is brilliant for the environment.

Health and Safety

- Gum shields must be worn for rugby and any other contact sports as directed by staff.
- Shoes or boots worn for outdoor games may not be worn indoors.
- Appropriate footwear must be worn for PE at all times.
- All jewellery must be removed for PE lessons.
- Nails must be of a reasonable length to participate in all activities.
- Design Technology/Food Technology – An apron suitable for practical work must be worn and ties removed when using equipment in class as and when directed by staff

Sixth Form Dress Code

Sixth Form students are role models for our younger students in school. Sixth Form students need to select a dress which is appropriate to the professional environment of school. Our dress code is business/ office wear. Those who dress or appear in a manner which could be viewed as politically offensive, discriminatory or inappropriate will render themselves vulnerable to criticism. The school's dress code for Sixth Form students is as follows:

- Students are to wear either a blazer, jumper or close knit cardigan. The jumper can be either of round or V neck design.
- The blazer or jumper/cardigan must be worn around school at all times, but can be removed in lessons where the student feels that they are more comfortable.
- Trousers must be of a material that models the uniform of the lower school. Coloured trousers are acceptable.
- Skirts or dresses should be no shorter than knee length, but can be of any style. Colours should be conservative.
- With a shirt, ties are to be worn by students at all times in line with staff at Ashlawn. In summer months, the Principal has the discretion to allow both staff and students to remove their ties where it is felt that this supports the comfort around school. Shirts can have either long or short sleeves but must be of one colour.
- Any blouse or top worn must have a sleeve and be longer than the waist. However they can be either long or short sleeved.
- Shoes must be comfortable and be in keeping with the standards set for the lower school. They should be of a good quality and should be of a Chelsea shoe or boot design.
- A clear nose stud and single earring are allowed. Hair colour should be of a natural colour.
- Lanyards should be worn for safeguarding at all times.

Students are not permitted to wear the following:

- Extreme hairstyles, unnatural hair colour
- Facial piercings, ear stretchers, tongue piercings or visible tattoos
- Denim, sports trousers, short or tight skirts/dresses
- Hoodies, large or offensive logos, sweatshirts, sports tops, casual cardigans
- Sports shoes, canvas shoes, flip-flops, beach sandals, thigh-high or open boots. High or stiletto heeled shoes
- Tattoos and body art should be covered

