

College Uniform Policy

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Sir Harry Smith Community College expects students' appearance to be smart and presentable. The uniform policy has been developed with the purpose of ensuring that students are smart, safe and have clear guidelines of College expectations. A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students. We believe that a smart uniform, worn properly, is very important because it demonstrates the pride that students take in the College and signals their readiness to be part of the learning community.

We expect all students to wear full uniform at all times. The College therefore reserves the right to ask students to remove items of clothing, adornments (i.e. badges, sweatbands, hats, scarves, ornate belts) or jewellery, which are deemed contrary to the spirit of the policy in the opinion of the leaders of the College. We also reserve the right to ask students to remove excess makeup and/or nail varnish.

The College uniform for students in Years 7 - 11 is as follows:

- Plain white polo shirt with College logo.
- Tailored black trousers or black SHSCC skirt (**modest length and fit**). Black skirts with SHSCC logo are available in two styles; one pleated and one plain with pockets. Alternatively, tailored shorts or culottes may be worn.
- Maroon College sweatshirt or cardigan (in Years 7 to 10). Black College sweatshirt or cardigan (in Year 11).
- Black, low-heeled footwear (**i.e. less than 2" in height**) - **or plain black plimsolls. No sports or fashion logos or decoration should be visible on footwear.** Open-toed shoes are not suitable, for health and safety reasons.
- Tights should be plain black, no patterns.
- Coats should be kept in lockers and should not be worn around the building.

If you have any concerns or queries before purchasing uniform items, please contact the College for clarification.

Jewellery and Body Piercing

Students may wear an inexpensive watch, one pair of studs in the lower lobes and one small nose stud. Hooped earrings, including sleepers, are not allowed. Students who choose to wear studs must remove them for PE. No body jewellery is allowed (tongue, lip, eyebrow, belly button, etc.). Any jewellery brought into College is at students' own risk. Facial piercings (other than a single small nose stud) are not allowed and students will not be allowed to mask such a piercing with a plaster from first aid.

If a student wishes to have body pierced jewellery other than that allowed by the College, we stipulate that they have the piercing done at the beginning of the long summer holiday. This gives several weeks for the piercing to establish itself. The student is then able to take out

the stud/ring safely to attend College, but to replace it at home. Any student wearing a ring or stud other than those allowed in the uniform code, who will not remove it on request, will be thought of as being unco-operative with the rules of the College. Lack of co-operation may result in isolation in the BSU or exclusion.

Make-up

Students may only wear a very small amount of **discreet** make-up and **clear nail varnish**. Any student unsure about how much make-up counts as discreet should seek advice from their Year Leader or the Behaviour Support Unit.







Hair




Hairstyles and hair colours which stand out in an unacceptable way and which may have a detrimental effect on the reputation of the College are not encouraged. Symbols shaved into the hair are not acceptable. The College reserves the right to request, and expect, students to make changes to their hair, if this is deemed the case. In extreme circumstances, a student can be refused admission to the College until the hairstyle and/or colour is considered acceptable. Hairstyles should not be patterned, stepped or shaved, and cut no shorter than a number 2.

Equipment

- Pens (blue/black), pencils, ruler, rubber, pencil sharpener, protractor, compasses, calculator and glue stick.
- All the above items can be purchased from the exams office. In addition, students may purchase other items such as art sketch books and revision booklets.
- Many students find it useful to have the following items: coloured pens/pencils and a USB pen.
- Students will need a sturdy bag in which to carry equipment and books. They will be issued with several text books which should be looked after and returned in a reasonable condition.

Please note: *This is general information. As you know "fashion trends" come and go so our list cannot be exhaustive. It is at the discretion of the Principal of the College to take action regarding any fashion trend or hairstyle which we feel is unacceptable.*

Item	Colour	Description	Image
Shirt	White	Plain white College polo shirt with logo	
Sweatshirt Year 7 – Year 10	Maroon	Plain maroon sweatshirt with College logo	
Sweatshirt Year 11	Black	Plain black sweatshirt with College logo	
Skirt	Black	<p>Black SHSCC skirt (modest length and fit).</p> <p>Black skirts with SHSCC logo are available in two styles; one pleated and one plain with pockets. Alternatively, tailored shorts or culottes may be worn.</p>	
Tailored Trousers	Black	<p>Must be a traditional <u>formal 'suit' style trouser</u></p>	
Tights	Black	Plain, no patterns	

Footwear	Black	Black, low-heeled footwear (i.e. less than 2" in height) - or plain black plimsolls. No sports or fashion logos or decoration should be visible on footwear. Open-toed shoes are not suitable for health and safety reasons.	
Socks	Black, grey or plain dark	Plain	
Jewellery		Students may wear an inexpensive watch, one pair of studs in the lower lobes and one small nose stud.	
Make-up		Discreet make up and clear nail varnish only.	
PLEASE PUT STUDENT'S NAME ON ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM AND PE KIT			

Examples of how your uniform should look



SHSCC Footwear Guidance, December 2016

Acceptable shoe styles for school.

Plain black shoes, low heeled, i.e. less than 2" in height - or plain black plimsolls. N.B. Shoes must be exclusively black, no sports or fashion logos or decoration should be visible on footwear and they must be below the ankle.



Unacceptable shoe styles for school.

Trainers, regardless of colour, boots of any description, backless shoes, or trainer style shoes displaying their logo, even in black, are NOT permitted.

The College Physical Education uniform is as follows:

Boys:

- KS3 - Maroon shorts (black tracksuit bottoms at teacher discretion when weather is cold).
- KS4 – Maroon shorts or black tracksuit bottoms.
- Plain white PE top.
- Maroon rugby top.
- Trainers.

Girls:

- KS3 – Maroon shorts (black tracksuit bottoms at teacher's discretion when the weather is cold).
- KS4 - Maroon shorts or black tracksuit bottoms (no leggings).
- Plain white PE top.

- Black PE College logo sweatshirt (over the white PE top). This is compulsory for girls in Years 7, 8 and 9.
- Girls in Years 10 and 11 may either wear the maroon rugby top or black PE College logo sweatshirt (over the white PE top).
- Trainers.

All students:

- Gum shields are for hockey and contact rugby.
- We advise students to wear football boots for sports that will take place on the field.
- Any student who is excused from PE must still wear their kit as they will be fully involved in the lesson by coaching or umpiring.
- Failure to bring kit will result in a detention.

Security of the changing rooms and students in PE:

- For safety reasons no jewellery to be worn at all in PE.
- We advise that you not to bring jewellery or valuables into school on PE days.
- **DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN THE CHANGING ROOMS.**
- **THE COLLEGE ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITEMS LOST OR STOLEN.**