



Uniform policy

Key points and summary

1. Uniform is compulsory for learners in Year 7 to Year 11 and promotes a sense of identity and pride in the School. We expect all learners to be appropriately dressed for learning and to be neat and tidy. Our uniform supports the security and welfare of learners within a caring environment where they are encouraged to become confident and responsible citizens.
2. We have learnt from experience that tolerance of minor variations are contrary to these aims and are harmful to the general appearance and image of Harrow High School. We ask all parents/carers to support the School by keeping to the prescribed uniform list.
3. This policy aims to:
 - help instil pride in the school
 - support positive behaviour
 - nurture cohesion and promote good relations
 - prepare young people for future life in the world of work

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Responsibilities

It is the Headteacher's responsibility to ensure that Governors' policy on uniform is implemented and maintained. The Headteacher will determine any questions of day to day compliance and sanctions in accordance with the School's Behaviour for Learning Policy. The Headteacher will ensure parents/carers can easily access information regarding uniform.

It is the duty of all staff to uphold the uniform standard and address non-compliance.

It is the duty of parents/carers to adhere to the school's policy. By sending their child to Harrow High School parents/carers are agreeing to follow our policy so that all learners adhere to the same standards.

The Governing Body will ensure best value principles are met and will keep the cost of uniform under review.

School Uniform details

Changes to uniform from September 2024

In line with DfE guidance we have considered the cost of uniform. From **September 2024** blazers, shirts/blouses, ties and the HHS PE t-shirt will no longer be part of the required uniform.

The HHS white polo shirts and HHS school pullover along with black skirt/trousers will become the formal uniform. A cheaper white/navy panelled technical sport shirt (**NO** logo), available from our uniform supplier, will replace the current HHS PE shirt. Until September 2024 the uniform remains as detailed below.

Compulsory School uniform

- Navy blazer with HHS logo (no longer required from September 2024)
- White shirt/blouse and tie (no longer required from September 2024)
- V-neck navy jumper/pullover with the HHS logo (compulsory from September 2024)
- Plain smart black school trousers. Jeans, cargo pants, leggings or tight school trousers are not acceptable. Trousers must be loose fitting
- Black skirt. Skirts should be loose fitting, and the length between knee and ankle
- Plain black, navy or flesh coloured tights only
- Plain black or blue socks (or plain white ankle socks). Over the knee socks are not acceptable
- Plain black shoes of an appropriate design for school. Boots are only acceptable during poor weather in the winter. Shoes must be smart and made of a fabric such as leather or PVC that can be polished
- Blue or black plain headbands only
- Head scarves - plain navy blue, black or white
- All hair clips, bands etc should be plain and in navy blue, black or white
- In expensive dark school coats without brand logos

For summer term 2024: white polo shirts with embroidered HHS logo

P.E. and Games kit compulsory for every lesson

Compulsory

- PE t-shirt with embroidered HHS logo (to be replaced by white technical PE shirt from September 2024. Old navy shirt can continue to be worn until outgrown)
- HHS logo navy tracksuit trousers
- HHS logo navy tracksuit top

- Blue/black or white socks
- Trainers
- Long hair must be tied back during PE lessons

Optional

- HHS logo navy shorts
- Baselayer - black, navy or white

If you are unable to take part in a sport for any reason, you can be a coach, referee or umpire

Your child should not wear:

- Coats by brands such as Hoodrich or Trapstar.
- Hoodies or non-uniform jumpers: this includes sportswear (branded or not) jumpers or tracksuit tops
- Tight fitting trousers/jeans, short skirts (worn above the knee) or trousers with studs
- Large decorative belt buckles or coloured belts
- White shirts that do not button up to the neck
- Black trainers, (eg Nike Airforce) or black canvas plimsolls (eg Vans) in place of black shoes. Brands such as Adidas, Lonsdale, Reebok, Slazenger or other sports brands that make black footwear are not acceptable
- Wearing trainers or boots with the school uniform at break and lunchtime when not engaging in sporting activity
- Steel toe capped boots or shoes
- Visible brightly coloured or patterned socks/tights/hair bands/hair clips
- Any piercings except for single studs in earlobes, and/or one single stud in nostril
- Face masks can be worn by learners. They must be either the blue surgical masks or reusable masks. Scarfs, bandanas and any other items used to cover their mouth are not permitted.
- Baseball caps or any type of peaked cap/hat including bucket hats
- Woolly hats in summer term
- Balaclavas or ski masks or any item used to cover any part of the face
- Bandanas of any colour
- Headscarves in any colour other than navy blue, black or white
- Loom bands, bracelets or individual loom bands
- Brightly coloured coats or scarves with large logos, slogans or patterns
- A hair colour of an unnatural shade (eg: green, blue, pink, etc)
- Haircuts with patterns or lines shaved in the hair or eyebrows
- Coats or any form of jumper worn in place of blazers.

Learners who fail to wear the correct school uniform may be sent home to correct their uniform and return to school. They may also incur detentions for incorrect uniforms. Items of non-uniform will be confiscated. Parents/carers may be requested to collect these items if they have been confiscated before.

Jewellery, Nail Varnish and Make-Up

You may wear ONE item of religious jewellery and a pair of stud earrings. For safety reasons you are not permitted to wear rings, necklaces, long earrings or any other kind of adornment. Nail polish, long nail extensions and excessive make-up are not permitted.

*Uniform may be purchased from any retailer however; logo items are only available from

our **official uniform supplier: Pullens** 48-50 Church Road, Stanmore, Middlesex, HA7 4AH: 0208 954 3850

Please mark each item with your child's name in indelible ink or on name tags. Every term we collect a large number of unnamed items. A termly lost property claim day is held after which remaining items are donated to charity.

After consultation with the School and Sports Council it has been agreed to allow learners to wear a single stud in each ear. In the interests of the safety of both themselves and others, learners are not permitted to wear rings, necklaces or earrings or any other kind of adornment which could be construed as a potential hazard. Learners are not permitted to wear makeup or nail polish.

Uniform must be worn at school and on the way to and from school and general appearance should be neat and correct. The school reserves the right to deem items of clothing inappropriate for school wear. Donations of good condition, clean, outgrown items will be accepted by the school.

Sixth Form: Year 12 and 13

All learners should dress in clothes that are suitable for school and in line with the school ethos. Clothes should be appropriate for the courses being studied and not offensive to others.

Sixth Formers may be required to wear smart business dress at times, for example for presentation evenings, prefect duties or when representing the school.

The following are guidelines only and not exhaustive:

- No headwear or coats to be worn in the building. Do not bring baseball caps to school – they are banned!
- Underwear, tattoos and midriffs should not be visible
- No visible piercings, except ear or nose studs
- Any jewellery should be discreet and may have to be removed for practical activities
- No tracksuit bottoms, jogging bottoms, hoodies or ripped jeans should be worn
- Skirts should be of a respectable length and necklines should not be plunging
- If worn, jeans should be smart
- Clothes with slogans or symbols which may be considered offensive are not acceptable

Sixth Formers are role models for learners in Years 7 – 11 and should aspire to fulfil that role by their actions and their appearance.

Equipment

Below is a list of expected equipment every learner should bring in everyday to support their own learning. Learners are responsible for this and must have the good habits/routines to be resilient and not forget items that will hinder their work.

- 2 x Black pens - this meets JCQ exam regulation 'always write in black ink'
- 2 x Green pens - this is for self and peer marking
- 2 x Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Protractor

- Pair of compasses
- Highlighter
- Eraser
- Ruler (30cm clear plastic)
- Scientific Calculator
- Pencil case (large clear plastic on both sides) - this meets JCQ exam regulations
- Personal reading book

Please note the prohibited items listed in our Behaviour for Learning Policy. This covers inappropriate and dangerous items. As a general rule if an item does not support the learning and welfare of learners it should not be brought into school and risks being confiscated or seized if found or seen.

Secondhand uniform

The school has a small stock of secondhand uniform which is available for all our families, free of charge. Families are encouraged to donate outgrown uniform items.

Hardship

The School offers a limited uniform grant (£30) available for those who require support. An application needs to be made showing receipt of universal credit. In cases where families are experiencing severe hardship, parents can apply in writing to the Headteacher for further assistance.

The School continues to make every effort to ensure that all children have uniform in cases where their families cannot afford it. Those identified as being in need will have uniform purchased for them.

Complaints

The School's Complaints Policy will be followed.

Monitoring and review

The Headteacher will report to the Governing Body at least once per year on the working of the Policy, and will include in the report the number of cases of persistent non-compliance during the previous period, and the action taken.