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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support with our push on uniform and expectations this week.

Currently, our staff spend a lot of time 'negotiating' with students about whether or not their skirts and trousers comply with the uniform policy. Whilst this problem only applies to some of our students, it is extremely time consuming and takes pastoral staff away from supporting ALL students in their year groups. Similar conversations happen around jewellery.

From Monday 13 May 2019, students who are incorrectly dressed will not be permitted in lesson until the identified issues are resolved.

Please find below a summary, taken from our policy:-

- Jewellery is not allowed, except for one pair of ear studs. Earrings, rings, nose studs or other facial jewellery, nail varnish and make up are not allowed.
- Black trousers or skirt (jeans, cords and skin-tight trousers are not allowed, skirts to be no shorter than knee length)\*

\* *Girls trousers must have a high enough waistband to ensure they are modest enough to be worn on the Academy site and to allow shirts to be properly tucked in. Wide belts are not allowed.*

Ideally, a knee length A line senior school skirt is preferred. An example of the preferred skirt is on display in Main Reception at the Skegness Academy. If required a school skirt can be ordered for you at a cost of between £7.00 and £8.00 dependant on size.

***Please note that jersey school tube/bodycon style skirts will not be permitted to be worn at the Skegness Academy***

Attached with this letter for your information is the Uniform Policy and the Policy on Mobile Phone/Electronic Devices within the Academy

I hope this gives you sufficient time to resolve any issues.

With many thanks for your continued support of the Skegness Academy.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Principal

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# SKEGNESS ACADEMY

## Uniform Policy

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High standards and a positive work ethic are central to a successful future. Our school uniform creates a sense of belonging to our school community and sets the tone for all our work.

There are three distinct Academy uniforms:

- Year 7 and 8 students wear a uniform based on a purple jumper
- Year 9, 10 and 11 students wear a uniform based on a black jumper
- Sixth Form students wear a uniform based on a grey jumper

Pupils are expected to wear the Academy uniform when travelling to and from the Academy, at all Academy functions and on educational visits unless told otherwise.

The Year 7, 8 and 9 Academy uniform comprises:

- Plain white school shirt (not polo shirts)
- Academy tie
- Black trousers or skirt
  - Jeans, cords, chinos and skin-tight trousers are not a suitable alternative to trousers.
  - Jersey/elasticated skirts are not an appropriate school skirt.
  - Skirts should sit no more than 5cm above the knee.
- Purple Academy V-necked jumper with logo
- Black or grey socks with trousers; white socks, neutral or black tights with skirts.

The Year 10 and 11 uniform comprises:

- Plain white school shirt (not polo shirts)
- Academy tie
- Black trousers or skirt
  - Jeans, cords, chinos and skin-tight trousers are not a suitable alternative to trousers.
  - Jersey/elasticated skirts are not an appropriate school skirt.
  - Skirts should sit no more than 5cm above the knee.
- Black V-necked jumper, in black, with Academy logo
- Black or grey socks with trousers; white socks, neutral or black tights with skirts

The Sixth Form uniform comprises:

- Plain white school shirt (not polo shirts)
- Academy tie
- Black trousers or skirt
  - Jeans, cords, chinos and skin-tight trousers are not a suitable alternative to trousers.
  - Jersey/elasticated skirts are not an appropriate school skirt.
  - Skirts should sit no more than 5cm above the knee.
- Grey V-necked jumper with Academy logo
- Black or grey socks with trousers; white socks, neutral or black tights with skirts

*For students who study L3 BTEC Sport (extended diploma) will be given the option to purchase Academy sports kit to wear in place of the uniform above.*

Shoes, for all students, should be plain black (no coloured flashes, coloured soles or logos) and suitable for school - flat soled or with no more than half an inch at the front of the heel.

It is advisable that clothing is clearly marked with the student's name in case of loss.

We do not allow students to wear jewellery, except for one stud per ear for those with pierced ears. No other body piercings are allowed. No accessories to nails including acrylics, varnishes, gels, jewels etc.

Hair should be clean and well kept - extreme or unusual styles/ unnatural colours are not acceptable.

Make-up should be subtle, if worn. Any student wearing excessive make-up will be asked to remove it.

The Principal will have the final decision on the definition of extreme/unusual/unnatural hair styles and make-up.



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### **Policy on Mobile Phone/Electronic Devices with the Academy**

For safeguarding reasons, mobile phones/electronic devices must never be used to take electronic recordings, videos or photographs of staff or students in school.

All wires/earphones must be kept out of sight in bags or pockets during lessons.

All mobile phones/electronic devices must be switched off and kept in bags or pockets during lessons, unless the teacher has given specific permission for use in an activity related to learning. This will be entirely at the discretion of the teacher and will not be open for discussion with students.

Any student using a mobile phone/electronic device without permission in lessons will have On-Call sent for.

- On-Call will escort the student to TP1.
- The mobile phone/electronic device will be confiscated, labelled and taken to Main Reception.
- A 50 minute detention will be issued.
- The student will spend the rest of the lesson in TP1.

Any student using a mobile phone/electronic device within school buildings/corridors will be asked to turn it off and put it away. Refusal to follow this instruction will lead to On-Call.

- On-Call will collect the student from his/her next lesson and escort him/her to a TP1.
- The On-Call staff member will confiscate the mobile phone/electronic device, label it and take it to Main Reception.
- A 50 minute detention will be issued.
- The student will then return to his/her lesson.

Confiscated mobile phones/electronic devices should be collected from main reception at the end of the school day, not during tutor time.

If a student refuses to hand over his/her mobile phone/electronic device, parents/carers will be contacted and asked to come into school to confiscate the item. The student will spend the rest of the day in TP1. If parents/carers are unable to come in, the student will be excluded until the following day when parents/carers are able to attend a meeting.

Persistent offenders will have their mobile phone/electronic device confiscated by a member of the Senior Leadership Team until parents come in to discuss the situation. Persistent offenders will be refused the privilege of bringing mobile phones/electronic devices into school.

***For safeguarding reasons mobile phones or electronic devices are not to be used inside the academy building at any time***