



Harwich and Dovercourt
High School

HDHS School Uniform Guidelines 2021



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Ordering Uniform

Below is some useful information about ordering uniform online:

- Uniform will be available 365 days a year online taking all major credit/debit cards
- Next-day despatch if ordered by noon Monday - Friday
- Comprehensive size charts
- Annual visit in school to operate a uniform shop during summer holidays:
Thursday 5th August 2021, 1pm-4pm
Friday 6th August 2021, 9am-12 noon

Items of Uniform & PE Kit specific to Harwich & Dovercourt High School are available to buy via the online store:

<http://www.yourschoolwear.co.uk>



We're proud to be your supplier

Items that must be bought via the uniform shop



Each Year 7 cohort has their own colour tie assigned to them when they start at HDHS.

This tie colour is then worn throughout their 5 years at HDHS.

As of September 2021:

- Year 7: Red striped tie
- Year 8: Orange striped tie
- Year 9: Blue striped tie
- Year 10: Yellow striped tie
- Year 11: Green striped tie



<http://www.yourschoolwear.co.uk> for current prices.

P.E. Kit

- White short sleeve polo top - Plain or with HDHS logo
- Blue long sleeve rugby top
- Black shorts
- Black leggings designed for sport
- Black sport socks (previous policy blue socks are acceptable)
- Trainers
- Football boots - for football and hockey
- Shin pads - for football and hockey
- Gum shield - for rugby and hockey
- A sports jumper may be worn in cold outdoor conditions.

Hair must be tied up and all jewellery removed for all activities.

Nails need to be of a suitable length for all activities to be participated in safely.



Complaints and Challenges

This policy has due regard to statutory legislation and national guidance, including, but not limited to, the following

- The Education and Inspections Act 2006
- The Education Act 2011
- The Human Rights Act 1998
- The Equality Act 2010
- DfE (2013) 'School uniform'
- DfE (2014) 'School Admissions Code'

Students **must** wear the blazer, shirt/blouse and tie. Teachers will give permission for blazers to be removed in lessons if conditions are hot.

Only the school jumper can be worn alongside the blazer, shirt/blouse and tie. No other jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan is acceptable.

Jumpers with hoods (hoodies) are not allowed in school.

Religious Clothing

Some religions and beliefs require their members to conform to a specific dress code. Harwich and Dovercourt High School does not discriminate against any religion or belief; however, the school must weigh the needs and rights of individual pupils against the cohesion and health and safety concerns of the entire school community. The school endeavours to allow most religious requirements to be met.

Parents' concerns and requests regarding religious clothing are dealt with on a case-by-case basis by the headteacher and governing board, and always in accordance with the school's Complaints Procedures Policy.

Equality

The school is required to ensure that the Uniform Policy does not discriminate unlawfully. Every step has been taken by Harwich and Dovercourt High School to ensure that the cost of girls' and boys' uniforms are not disproportionate.

Pupils identifying as a member of the opposite sex are able to adapt uniform regulations in line with the school's Equality Statement

Non Compliance

Teachers are permitted to discipline pupils for breaching the Uniform Policy, in accordance with the school's Behaviour for Learning Policy.

The headteacher, or a person authorised by the headteacher, is permitted to ask a pupil to briefly go home to remedy breaches of the school's Uniform Policy.

When deciding whether to allow a pupil to return home, the school takes into account the pupil's age and vulnerability, the length of time it will take, and the availability of the pupil's parents.

Where a pupil has been sent home to rectify uniform breaches, the absence will be recorded as 'authorised'.

If a pupil repeatedly breaches uniform rules, or takes longer than necessary to rectify the absence, the absence will be counted as 'unauthorised'.
Parents are notified in all cases.

Jewellery, hair and cosmetics

Small stud earrings (two pairs) and a signet/plain ring are allowed, but large hoop earrings and facial jewellery are not. One bracelet/bangle or wrist band may be worn. Nail varnish should be clear or pale pink only.

Make-up should be subtle and understated. Plain hairbands are allowed. If in doubt please ask first. Your Head of Year has the final word.

Hair styles

- Hair may not be worn in extreme or inappropriate styles.
- Pupils are not permitted to have shaved heads.
- Hair colour must be that of natural shades.
- Hair extensions are not permitted.

Do's and Don'ts

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All students are expected to wear the school uniform. Parental cooperation is essential if we are to achieve an acceptable standard of appearance. School dress helps establish a sense of identity and saves students and parents from being caught up in the expense of the “extravagances of fashion.”

Skirts must be no more than 3 inches above the knee and should not be made of Lycra stretchy material as these ride up.

Trousers should be black, smart, tailored trousers. Smart black tailored shorts are permitted (Summer term only).

Items not allowed are jeans, leggings, “jeggings” jean type trousers, jogging bottoms or harem pants.

Shirts/blouses should be plain white that can be tucked into trousers or skirts with no “fashion” elements.

They must have a regular collar for the tie, which must be fastened properly at the neck. Polo shirts are **not** acceptable

School shoes should be smart, plain, low heeled and black. No fashion or canvas shoes allowed. Boots may be worn under trousers, but trousers are not to be tucked into boots.

Socks should be plain black and worn below the knee. Plain black or flesh coloured tights are allowed.

Plain stud earrings (two pairs), small in size and a signet/plain ring are allowed but large rings and hoop earrings are not. One plain bracelet or band may be worn.

No facial jewellery or ear plug stretchers are allowed.