

LANGDON PARK SIXTH FORM

Sixth Form Dress Code

Rationale

Our dress code reflects our school values: we want our sixth form students to look *professional* at all times.

There are two key reasons for this:

- As sixthformers, you are role models for our younger students. The way you dress sends a message about both your own professionalism and the standards of our school and sixth form. You set the tone in just the same way as the adults working here.
- Sixth form is an important stepping stone on your journey into the world of work, and we believe that by asking you to get used to dressing in a professional manner, we are setting you up for success in the future.

This dress code is a guide, and we realise that it cannot cover everything. If you are unsure, please check with sixth form leaders beforehand, and we will make judgements on a case by case basis.

Failure to adhere to the dress code will result in students being refused entry to school site.

Required

ID lanyard to be worn and visible at all times on school site. This is part of our safeguarding procedures and is non-negotiable.

ACCEPTABLE

Boys

Plain, smart trousers (these do not have to be formal suit trousers - chinos are fine, as are smart black jeans)

Shirt or polo shirt/smart t shirt Smart sweater or cardigan

Jacket if you wish

Plain black, brown, or navy shoes

Plain, smart trousers (these do not have to be formal suit trousers – smart black jeans are fine, as are culottes and wide leg trousers)

Dress of appropriate length (no more than 2 inches above the knee)

Smart skirt of appropriate length (as above)

Shirt/blouse/polo shirt/smart t shirt

Smart sweater or cardigan

Jacket if you wish

Plain shoes (low-medium heel acceptable)

Discreet make-up, jewellery, nail polish

Unacceptable

If you arrive in the morning without your lanyard, you will be sent home to collect it. Failure to wear ID whilst onsite will result in loss of privileges.

UNACCEPTABLE

Shellsuit-type sports trousers, tracksuit bottoms

Blue jeans

Ripped jeans

Leggings/jeggings (unless worn like tights under a tunic)

Dungarees

Shorts (including shorts worn with tights)

Short skirts or dresses (more than 2 inches above knee)

Tracksuit tops, football/sports tops

Hooded sweatshirts

T-shirts with large logos

Off-the shoulder tops, strappy tops or vest tops

Fabrics which are sheer/see-through

Trainers, slippers, sandals, flip-flops, sliders

High heeled shoes or wedges (health and safety reasons)

Extreme haircuts / colours that would not be acceptable

in the workplace

Excessive make-up/jewellery/fake nails - again, be guided by what would be acceptable in the workplace

Dress code for more formal events

We encourage you to dress more formally for workshops and meetings in corporate environments, or networking events held within school. This helps you to make a positive impression, and you are likely to feel more comfortable if you adopt the same standards of dress as the professionals with whom you will be working. Consider wearing a suit if you have one – if you don't, it might be worth thinking about investing in one so that you have something to wear to interviews and other formal occasions. If you'd prefer not to, smart trousers/skirt and a shirt/blouse are fine. Boys are encouraged to wear a tie.