

# Student Personal Presentation Policy

This policy covers the following standards and expectations required of students in Years 7-11

- Uniform Standards and expectations
- Standards and expectations surrounding personal presentation to school.

This policy replaces the Uniform Guide and has been formally agreed through the Student Forum and ratified by the Student Council

## Rushden Academy Values

This policy supports our agreed **SMART** values whereby students are expected to wear their uniform with pride and are smartly presented.

### Uniform

The standards and expectations of uniform for **ALL** students in Years 7-11 are as follows:

All students are to attend the Academy wearing full school uniform.

- A school black blazer with or without the school emblem.
- A white shirt which is smartly tucked in
- Black trousers, no leggings, jeggings or jeans. Trousers made of jean like material or design do not meet the uniform standard and are not to be worn.
- The official grey checked school skirt – no black skirts to be worn
- A school tie.
- An optional plain black V neck jumper – No other jumpers to be worn
- Footwear that meets the agreed standard which is leather or leather-like that can be polished. No canvas footwear or fabric trainers to be worn.

### Piercings

The standards and expectations on piercings for **ALL** students in Years 7-11 are as follows:

- Students can wear a maximum of 2 stud earrings in each ear. No hoops or bars allowed.
- **All other** piercings are not allowed in school. These must be removed prior to arrival in school.
- Students who choose to have facial and/or other parts of the body pierced must have these completed at the start of the 6 week summer holiday in order for any piercing other than in the ear to be removed prior to returning to the school in September.
- All students who state that piercings other than ear piercings **cannot** be removed will be required to complete all their lessons and break-times in the Academy's Isolation room until such time that the piercing can be removed.

### Other Jewellery

The standards and expectations on other jewellery items for **ALL** students in Years 7-11 are as follows:

- A single discreet bracelet, bangle or wristband can be worn.
- A single discreet necklace can be worn beneath the shirt.
- A maximum of 2 rings can be worn.
- All items of jewellery must be removable and removed when requested in light of health and safety requirements.

## **Make-up, hair and nails**

The standards and expectations on make-up, hair and nails for **ALL** students in Years 7-11 are as follows:

- All students are allowed to wear a small amount of make-up.
- Make-up should remain neutral and reflect skin tones.
- Students are not allowed to arrive to school wearing excessive make-up. Heads of Year reserve the right to request when make-up is deemed excessive for it to be removed.
- No false nails of unnatural length. Heads of Year should be informed in advance of any special occasion such as weddings or birthdays whereby a student is to have longer or designer false nails applied. All students who have nails of this type applied **temporarily** are required to present a note with a date as to when the nails will be shortened or removed. Students with elongated false nails may not be permitted to take part in certain activities/tasks due to health and safety issues.
- All students are allowed to wear nail varnish. However, rules surrounding food safety may require nail varnish to be removed.
- No bright or un-naturally dyed hair. Hair colouring should remain close to natural.

## **Outdoor clothing – hats, coats, gloves and scarves**

The standards and expectations on outdoor clothing for **ALL** students in Years 7-11 are as follows:

- Students should wear an outdoor coat during periods of cold or inclement weather.
- Hoodies do not meet the standard and are not allowed to be worn to school.
- Hats, gloves and scarves can be worn during periods of cold or inclement weather.
- All hats must be removed on entering any school building.
- Gloves and scarves must be removed on entering classrooms and only put back on when dismissed at the end of the lesson.

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