



# The Ripley Academy and Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Uniform Expectations

After the half term holiday and following consultation with staff and governors, the school will be introducing a new student conduct and character policy. Full details of this will be communicated to you shortly. As part of this new policy, we will be reinforcing our uniform expectations.

Our aim is to encourage our students to follow the 'The Ripley Way' by wearing the full uniform for school, with pride, on a daily basis. As a school we place emphasis on students having high aspirations, valuing their education and taking pride in themselves; having such high standards in this area supports these aims.

Please find below a summary of our uniform expectations:

- School shirts should be tucked in at all times
- Girls skirts should be no shorter than 5cm above the knee and not tight fitting
- Girls trousers must be **black full-length school tailored fit trousers** – (jeans/leggings, skinny cut, tight fit, capri style, culottes, low fitting styles are not allowed)
- The School blazer must be worn at all times and coats should be worn over the top of the blazer not instead of blazers - hoodies are not permitted in school
- Academy jumpers or plain grey V-neck jumpers are permitted and can be worn under school blazer
- Trainers are not permitted and footwear should take the form of black, polishable, flat shoes
- Nails should be natural in length and colour.
- Only one pair of stud earrings, with a maximum of one in each ear is permitted
- Ear spacers are not acceptable
- A single, small, plain nose stud is permitted but no other facial piercings are permitted.

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- Extremes of fashion in respect of clothing, hair style, (including unnatural or bright colours and shaved patterns) and general appearance are not acceptable.
- There should be no visible body art or tattoos
- Rings, necklaces, bracelets and chains are not allowed for Health and Safety reasons
- Make-up, if worn, must be discreet and natural.

As we move towards the winter months there have been a number of students wearing hoodies to school rather than coats. Please could I remind parents/carers that in cold weather a white plain T shirt may be worn under the shirt. Sports tops, hoodies and denim or leather coats are not acceptable.

Staff will be monitoring uniform closely and where repeated infringements occur, sanctions will be given.

Finally, should anyone require any assistance in purchasing uniform items or should you need support in convincing your child to adhere to our dress code, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year.

Thank you all very much in advance of your anticipated support and understanding.

Yours faithfully



**Mr S Kingsland**  
Assistant Headteacher