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Dear Parent/Carer

Sixth Form Uniform Expectations

As we enter the second half of the term, I want to take this opportunity to thank all our students for the very positive start to the year. The Year 12s have settled into Sixth Form life and the Year 13s are well into their final year at school.

In Sixth Form there are a number of aspects of school life that are different; for example, the ability to use free periods for private study at home and to leave the school site over lunchtime. They are required to wear business dress when in school. They are also permitted to use their mobile phones in the Sixth Form Centre.

Most of our students appreciate that with these freedoms comes some responsibility and I would like to thank them for keeping standards of dress and behaviour high.

Some students need guidance regarding dress and attendance standards; please see below for a summary of key points.

Attendance:

Students are expected to attend all timetabled lessons, including EPQ/Supervised Study, Study Skills, and Tutor/Form time.

If a student is going to be absent due to illness please call the school in the morning of the first day they are ill to let us know.

If a student is attending a university open day on a school day, there is a form to complete and hand in to the Sixth Form office.

For medical appointments, please try to arrange these when your child does not have lessons, but if there is a clash, please let us know.

Driving lessons must be booked when there are no school lessons, however we understand it is not the same for driving tests. Please let us know in advance about driving tests.

Dress:

Students are expected to wear business dress consisting of a black suit and white shirt. Boys should wear a Sixth Form tie and girls should wear a lapel badge. Both of these items are available from the Sixth Form office.

Skirts must be at least to the mid-thigh in length. Students wearing shorter skirts will be warned once, then subsequently they will need to borrow a skirt and purchase one of the required lengths.

Students participating in PE or Performing Arts lessons may wear appropriate kit on those days. For clubs, students will need to change into kit.

Students with ear piercings must only wear stud earrings and no other piercing is permitted.

Please see Appendix A: Sixth Form Dress Code

Phones:

Phones may be used appropriately around the Sixth Form, however those students who need to go onto the upper site for some lessons must follow the rules for the upper site: no phones in use around the site.

At the moment we do not ask students who attend the Sixth Form to carry a uniform record card. These cards have been issued to other year groups for the recording of uniform infringements and the setting of sanctions. As we would prefer to continue to treat the Sixth Form students as young adults, we hope that they will follow the dress code without the need to introduce these further measures.

I hope this helps; in the meantime if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Mr L Walker
Head of Sixth Form

Appendix A:
QEGS Sixth Form Dress Code

Sixth form students are expected to look smart and set an example for the rest of the school.

- Plain black jacket or
- Plain black tailored trousers or plain black tailored skirt (skirt must be a non-stretchy material, straight or A-line and reach to just above the knee)
- White shirt or blouse with a collar
- School tie or QEGS pin badge (available from school)
- A smart red, black, navy, grey or dark green fine-knit V-neck jumper **can be worn under a jacket**
- Black or neutral coloured tights
- Black or brown shoes (low heel, no trainers or canvas)

Students participating in sports/performing arts lessons may come to school in sportswear as follows:

EITHER:

- QEGS Sports kit

OR:

- Black joggers
- Plain round necked T-shirt
- Plain round neck sweatshirt (no hoodies)

There should be no slogans on sportswear and any logos must be minimal.

Any jewellery worn must be discreet. No nose rings or body studs are permitted except for small earrings.

Any student identifying with an alternative gender should follow the appropriate dress code.