Regents Park Community College

Uniform Policy

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Regents Park Community College uniform policy promotes our ‘Green’ and ‘Proud’ ethos.

The aim of the policy is to:
  • encourage a sense of equality to reduce unkind behaviour amongst students
  • help students feel connected to the school and feel a sense of pride
  • help students to feel safe
  • help prepare students for the world of work and to raise their aspirations
  • Improve behaviour and reduce distractions

This is so that the all areas of the school environment are safe and happy. This also enables progress and attainment to be improved across the school.

The agreed uniform is affordable, comfortable, smart and practical.

Cost is also carefully considered in deciding on uniform design and uniform suppliers, and we review the contract arrangements with our supplier regularly so that parents continue to get value for money. We have tried to ensure that everything required is simple and hardwearing. In order to assist with lost property, please ensure the students name is located on each item of their uniform.

All of our uniform with our required logo can be purchased from Skoolkit online, at their shop in Totton or at KoolSkool in Shirley. Please note that some parents may be eligible for a grant towards ‘School Uniform’. Uniform grant forms for Year 7 and Year 9 students are available from school reception.

A full detailed list of uniform requirements and prices is readily available on our website or at reception. The other items listed on our dress code can be purchased from most main retailers.

Dress Code
All students are required to wear:
  • A blue blazer bearing the school logo.
  • Our green school shirt (not a polo shirt).

School Shoes
Plain black formal school shoes (with no logos, other colours or contrasting soles) and they must be polishable. Laces must be entirely black. Trainers of any kind are not permitted. Plimsolls will be issued by the school, should the student arrive in unsuitable footwear.

School trousers
Full-length plain black, grey or navy smart/tailored trousers (not tight-fitting, lycra, leather or denim and not leggings or any kind).

Any student whose trousers do not adhere to the uniform policy, will be isolated internally until the uniform issue is rectified.

School skirts
A smart plain black, grey or navy pleated or a-line skirt. Pencil skirts must be no more that 10cms above the knee. This must not be a lycra tight fitted tube skirt.

Any student whose skirt does not adhere to the uniform policy, will be isolated internally until the uniform issue is rectified.
Plain tights or ankle socks (navy, black, grey or white) are to be worn with a skirt, knee high socks are not permitted.

School Jumper
An optional navy blue school jumper is also available to be purchased, this can be purchased with or without the school logo. This should not be worn instead of the school blazer, more as an additional layer for warmth. Plain black or grey jumpers may also be worn under the blazer (only the school logo is permitted and if a student has any other logo on their jumpers they will be asked to remove them, please note hooded tops are not permitted at anytime)

PE/Sports – only available from Skoolkit
Compulsory RPCC logo polo shirt (green/blue)
Optional RPCC logo shorts/training trousers
Optional – RPCC logo ¼ zip sweatshirt
Optional – RPCC BTEC Sport polo shirt (for BTEC Sport students only)

PE/Sports – available from any main retailer
Black or navy shorts/training trousers or performance leggings
Swim shorts/one piece swimsuit
Trainers – non marking soles
Optional – blue/black base layer or non hooded sweatshirt
Football boots without metal studs for use on All Weather Pitch

Summer Uniform
Black or grey tailored shorts may also be worn. These must not be casual or sportswear and must be of an appropriate length.

School Bag
All students must have a suitable school bag that can carry books and pencil case.

Stationery
All students must have a minimum of two pens, a pencil, a ruler, a rubber and a pencil sharpener and a scientific calculator.

Jewellery
Students are permitted to wear:
- One small pair of discreet stud earrings may be worn
- A watch (Smart watches are not advisable due to the cost, distraction and their breach of exam rules, please note expensive items such as smart watches may be required to be removed for practical lessons and the school cannot accept responsibility for such items)
- One discreet nose piercing is allowed but for health and safety reasons only a small stud is permitted any hoops will need to be removed, however all other body and facial piercings (including additional ear piercings, lip, nose and tongue piercings) are not permitted.
- Necklaces, bracelets, bangles, sweatbands are not permitted and will need to be removed.
- All jewellery (including watches unless authorised by the teacher) must be removed for practical and PE/Sports activities
Hair
No extremes of hair style or colours are allowed. Hair must be no shorter than Grade 1; tram tracks/ tram lines/ razor cuts/ beading are not acceptable. Only natural hair colours and styles are acceptable. (Students with extreme haircuts or colours will be isolated until an acceptable change can be made).

Students with shoulder length hair must have their hair tied back during practical and PE lessons

Makeup and Nails
Discretely applied make-up is acceptable for students in Year 11 only. If makeup is deemed inappropriate, students will be asked to remove it.

Finger nails must be short and not be coloured. Extreme false nails will have to be removed

Uniform reminders
- Shirts must be tucked into the waist band
- Any under layers worn underneath uniform must not be visible.
- Suitable coats and jackets can be worn outside in addition to the blazer but must be removed in lessons.
- Hooded sports tops, tracksuit tops and sweatshirts and other non-uniform items are not acceptable substitutes for coats and jackets. Students wearing such items will be asked to remove them when in the building.
- Hats and other headgear are not permitted
- For Muslim students the wearing of the hijab is permitted

Enforcement of the uniform policy
It is the responsibility of all staff to enforce the uniform policy throughout the day as part of the day to day running of the school. Students found not to be in the correct uniform will be asked to remedy the situation immediately. This may include borrowing uniform from school. If they cannot they will be placed in internal isolation with their tutor or year leader. Persistent refusal to follow school uniform rules may result in further sanctions. If there are genuine and exceptional reasons why a student is not in correct uniform parents and carers are encouraged to write a note explaining why their child is not in uniform and the student should show this to the student’s HOY and the Pastoral Assistant Headteacher. If the reason is deemed appropriate, a temporary uniform pass will be issued.

Issues arising from the uniform policy
Requests to vary the uniform requirements for particular reasons, such as medical needs or religious beliefs, will always be considered carefully. A medical note from the doctor or hospital will be required for students in alternative footwear longer than 5 school days.