



School Uniform Policy

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Our Uniform Principles

At Sale High School, we believe that wearing a uniform fosters a sense of community, equality, and focus, while reinforcing the school as a professional environment. In a large school, the uniform also plays a crucial role in security, helping to easily identify students.

A uniform reduces distractions caused by personal dress choices, enabling students to concentrate on their learning. We have high expectations for uniform and appearance, and students are expected to adhere to these standards.

Students may wear a watch and one **small stud** earring in each ear lobe. The school enforces a zero-tolerance policy regarding all other jewellery/accessories and body piercings. Jewellery items (other than one **small stud**) will be confiscated and locked away until the Friday of each week and will require collection by a parent or carer.

(PLEASE NOTE: Many schools in Trafford have a zero-tolerance approach to **all** jewellery. Sale High School have not decided not to take this approach, however, if expectations are not met a full zero-tolerance policy will be reviewed)*

Sale High School or its staff will not be held responsible for lost or damaged confiscated jewellery.

Uniform

Compulsory items

- Plain white shirt
- Clip on school tie with correct colour stripe for year group (only available from Monkhouse or from school)
- Students will retain their tie colour as they progress through the year groups. *Eg Year 7 starting in September 2025 will keep the silver tie until they leave in year 11.*

Academic Year 2025-26	Tie Stripe Colour
Year 7	Silver
Year 8	Gold
Year 9	Blue
Year 10	Green
Year 11	Purple

Footwear:

Students must wear black school shoes or all-black trainers that meet the following requirements: black leather, black laces, and a plain black sole. Trainers with suede, canvas, bold designs, air bubbles, or reflective elements are not allowed. Boots are not permitted, except during specified times in inclement weather. (Please see images of guidance at the bottom of this policy):

Trousers and Skirts:

Students who prefer, must wear full-length tailored trousers (tailored shorts are allowed in the summer). Skinny jeans, joggers, leggings, and other non-uniform pants are not permitted. Students who wish to wear skirts should choose those that are at or just above the knee and **must not** roll them up. Skirts must not be altered to reduce length. Skirts must be worn as intended, or students will be asked to wear trousers. Acceptable legwear includes black or navy tights or plain ankle socks or below the knee socks (*no logos/ribbons/diamonds*). Over-the-knee socks are not allowed. Sport socks/fashion socks can not be worn over tights.

Hair and Appearance:

Students are not permitted to have patterns shaved into their hair or eyebrows, nor may they wear unnatural/egregious hair colours. Any form of extreme/egregious haircut e.g. 'Mohican style' or 'long top and short sides' are not permitted. Makeup should be subtle, with foundation in a natural tone. Brightly coloured lipstick, gloss, and bold eyeliner are not allowed.

Nails and Eyelashes:

Nails should be kept short for health and safety reasons, especially for practical subjects like PE and technology. Fake or coloured nail polish is not permitted, nor are fake eyelashes of any kind. Students failing to meet this expectation will be placed in isolation until expectations are met.

Coats and Outerwear:

Hoodies are not allowed to be worn in school. School coats should not be leather, denim, or sweatshirts.

Sanctions for Non-Compliance:

Persistent violations of the uniform policy will result in sanctions, including detentions, isolation, and, in severe cases, suspension, in line with DfE guidance.

NOTE: Full details of the correct uniform items can be found on our website with links to our suppliers:

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- Grey or navy v neck sweater, option with or without new school logo. If a jumper is to be worn, it must be a school jumper.
- Dark grey tailored trouser or pleated grey skirt.
- Navy school blazer with new Sale High School badge (compulsory item to be worn at all times, unless extreme weather). New blazer design is compulsory for Year 7 students and will be phased in for other year groups.
- Plain black or grey socks/ (not over the knee) /plain black tights
- Suitable school coat
- Suitable plain black shoes (see attached guidance for shoes).
- Large bag to carry books, kit/equipment
- Year group lanyard (*to carry timetable and Values Card*)

PE kit for all (from uniform supplier) NB PE kit must be worn even if not taking part physically.

- PE polo shirt with school logo
- Navy/sky shorts/skort
- Navy/sky socks
- Training shoes with non-marking soles
- Football boots/shin pads

Optional items:

- Navy and sky blue rugby shirt
- Tapered tracksuit bottoms blue and sky blue
- Navy school logo (SHS) leggings
- PE drawstring bag with logo (SHS)
- SHS hoody with school logo

Equipment

For all subjects' students will need the following essential items:

Pens, pencil, and ruler in a pencil case. Large bag suitable for carrying carry books and equipment.

Optional items to better facilitate your child's learning:

Pencil crayons, pencil sharpener and eraser.

Maths: a scientific calculator (can be purchased via school)

English: Dictionary (can be purchased via school)

Languages: a French/Spanish dictionary

Please note: Tippex/correction fluid is not permitted

Additional Notes/Guidance:

All items of clothing and equipment should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Students are taught to take responsibility for their belongings and whilst every care is taken, the school does not accept responsibility for the loss of, or damage to personal possessions.

Students who contravene the school's uniform policy will be expected to correct it at student services. Refusal may result in isolation or suspension in line with DfE guidance.

Students wearing skirts can choose to wear black tights or socks. Over the knee socks are not permitted.

Hoodies are not allowed to be worn in school and will be confiscated.

School coats must not be 'jackets' e.g. leather or denim jackets.

Sale High School Shoe Regulations

Please see the guidance below regards correct footwear. Students are not allowed to wear trainers, other than the ones in the examples pictured below, as this type are often sold in the back to school shoe ranges.

Whilst we appreciate that school shoes are expensive we ask that where shoes are deemed inappropriate, they are replaced as quickly as possible.

Guidance

1. Shoes must be black leather or patent - lace-ups, slip-ons, slip-ons with straps
2. Boots are not permitted but 'shoe boots' like the Kickers style below are – the general rule is that shoes should be on or below the ankle bone
3. Shoes should not have any visible logo or markings

Examples of permitted shoes:





Trainer guidance:

All black leather trainers guidance

Must be/have:

- All black leather
- Black laces
- Plain all black sole




Must not be/have:

- Stand out logos/designs (for example white writing against black leather)
- Reflectors
- Air bubbles
- Canvas materials in any area
- Egregious soul design

Egregious soul design



Air bubbles



Small silver logo



Air bubbles and canvas



Suede canvas



White line



Canvas





No over the ankle boots (including Ugg style boots), canvas pump styles, trainer styles, leather pumps

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The policy is to be reviewed annually by the Standards and Achievement committee

Responsible: Deputy Headteacher, Behaviour, Attendance and Personal Development