



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 can also reduce 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.

Uniform Guidance

Compulsory items

1. Shirt and School Tie

- Plain white shirt
- Clip on school tie with correct colour stripe for year group (see below)
 - Students retain their tie colour as they progress through the year groups. *E.g. Year 7 starting in September 2026 will keep the purple tie until they leave in year 11.*

Academic Year 2026-27	Tie Stripe Colour
Year 7	Purple
Year 8	Silver
Year 9	Gold
Year 10	Blue
Year 11	Green

2. Blazer

- Navy school blazer with Sale High School badge
- Blazers to be worn at all times around school, unless notified otherwise in extreme weather

3. Trousers/Skirts

- Boys, and girls who prefer, must wear full-length dark grey tailored trousers.
 - Skinny jeans, joggers, leggings, and other non-uniform trousers are **not permitted**.
- Girls may wear a pleated grey skirt.
 - Skirt length should be at or just above the knee
 - Skirts **should not** be rolled up, altered, or shortened in any way, such as being pulled up too high above the waist
 - Students may be asked to wear trousers if not wearing skirts as intended
 - Students may continue to wear the previous tartan skirt if they wish but these will no longer be available to buy from our uniform supplier.
- Acceptable legwear includes black or navy tights or plain ankle socks (*no logos/ribbons/diamonds*)
 - Knee-length or 'over-the-knee' socks are **not permitted**.
 - Sport socks/fashion socks **must not** be worn over tights.

4. Footwear

- Students must wear black school shoes or all-black leather trainers with 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 footwear images of guidance at the end of this policy.

5. Additional Compulsory Items

- Large waterproof bag to carry books, kit/equipment
- School lanyard (*to carry timetable*)

Please click here for a link to our Uniform website page with links to our suppliers: [Uniform - Sale High School](#)

Other Uniform Guidance – please be aware of the expectations below

Jumpers

- A jumper is an optional item
- If students choose to wear a jumper it must be a grey or navy v-neck
- Students can choose a jumper from our suppliers with the school logo or may purchase one without the logo from a range of school uniform providers - provided it is a grey or navy v-neck school jumper.

Jewellery

- 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 and body piercings.
- Any other items of jewellery will be confiscated and locked away until the Friday of each week and will require collection by a parent or carer.
 - Please ensure that your child doesn't bring other items of jewellery. If non-permitted items are confiscated, Sale High School or its staff will not be held responsible for loss or damage.
 - Please also note that many schools in Trafford have a zero-tolerance approach to all jewellery. Sale High School have decided not to take this approach, however, if expectations are regularly not met a zero-tolerance policy may be implemented.

Hair and Appearance

- Students are **not permitted** to have patterns shaved into their hair or eyebrows, or to 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 permitted**.

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 will be asked to remove any of these items and will be placed in isolation until expectations are met.

Coats and Outerwear

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

Additional Guidance

- Students who contravene the school's uniform policy will be expected to correct it at student services.
- Violations of the uniform policy may result in sanctions, including confiscation, detentions, isolation, and, in severe cases, suspension, in line with DfE guidance.
- All items of clothing and equipment should be clearly marked with the owner's name.
- Students are expected 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.

PE kit

Compulsory PE Kit

- This item of PE Kit is available to purchase from our uniform suppliers:
 - Sale High PE polo shirt with school logo
- All students should also have the following, but may purchase from a range of other retailers:
 - Navy/sky blue shorts/skort (Navy with a sky blue stripe up the side)
 - Navy/sky blue socks (Navy with a sky blue stripe at the top)
 - Training shoes with non-marking soles
 - Football boots and shin pads
- **NB PE kit must be worn even if not taking part physically.**

Optional items of PE Kit

- Navy/sky blue rugby shirt
- Tapered tracksuit bottoms navy and sky blue
- Navy SHS logo leggings
- PE drawstring bag with SHS logo
- PE hoody with SHS logo

Equipment

Essential Items

- For all subjects, students will need the following essential items:
 - Pens, pencil and ruler, in a pencil case.
 - Large bag suitable for carrying books and equipment.

Optional items

- The following items would better facilitate your child's learning:
 - Pencil crayons
 - Pencil sharpener
 - Eraser

Useful Items to have in subjects:

- **Maths** - a scientific calculator (can be purchased via school)
- **English** - Dictionary (can be purchased via school)
- **Language** - a French/Spanish dictionary

Please note: Tippex/correction fluid is not permitted

Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a limited stock of pre-loved uniform available in school. Parents and carers who need support with providing uniform for their child can contact their child's Head of Year for assistance.

We also welcome donations of any uniform items that are still in good condition. These will be offered to other families that may need them.

If you wish to kindly donate any items of uniform, please email us at info@salehighschool.org.uk

Sale High School Shoe Guidance

- Please see the guidance below regards correct footwear.
- **Students are only allowed to wear trainers that meet specific criteria.**
- Whilst we appreciate that school shoes are expensive, we ask that where shoes are deemed inappropriate, they are replaced as quickly as possible.

Shoe Guidance

1. Shoes must be black leather or patent lace-ups, slip-ons or slip-ons with straps
2. Boots are not permitted but 'shoe boots' like the Kickers style below are acceptable – 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 sole design

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Air bubbles



Small silver logo



Suede canvas



White line



Canvas



Air bubbles and canvas



Activate Windows

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The policy is to be reviewed annually by Governors

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