

## Alder Community High School Uniform and Equipment Policy 2020/21 Covid-19 Amendment

Our uniform is an essential part of our identity. It instils a sense of pride and belonging in our school and signals a readiness to be part of our learning community. It is school policy that uniform is worn at all times during the school day and for all out of hours school events. Uniform should be worn correctly to and from school as the impression our students give in the community is of extreme importance.

**As a temporary arrangement in response to Covid-19 guidelines PE kit should be worn in place of school uniform on the days that students have PE.**

Item	
Face covering	As per government guidance for the re-opening of schools face masks should be worn at all times as directed by staff, when social distancing cannot take place, including in the classroom. Students who are exempt for medical or SEND reasons will be issued with an exemption card.
Blazer	Black blazer with school badge.
Trousers/skirt*	Smart, plain black tailored school trousers. Stretchy, shiny materials, hipster style, leggings and skinny leg trousers and other types of similar fashion trousers are not allowed. Smart, plain black school skirt. Skirts should be of appropriate material, style and length, close to the knee and with no splits.
Shirt	Plain white, long or short sleeved school shirt/blouse. This must be tucked in.
Tie	Green clip on tie with a school logo in the appropriate house colour.
Jumper (optional)	Plain black V neck jumper to be worn underneath the blazer.
Shoes*	Plain black shoes of an appropriate style, below the ankle bone with low heels and with no contrasting coloured stripes, stitching, laces, flashes, glitter etc. Trainers and pumps are not allowed under any circumstances. Crossover type shoes designed to look like trainers are not allowed.
Socks/tights	Plain dark or white socks (not patterned or coloured) or black tights.
PE kit	Black breathable sports top with school logo Black shorts with school logo. Black hooded PE top with school logo. Black PE track pants with school logo (optional but recommended). Running trainers (not pumps or fashion trainers). Black or white sports socks. Black waterproof jacket (optional).
Outdoor wear**	Coats, hoodies, hats, scarves and gloves etc. must be removed within the school building.
Equipment	A black pen, a red pen, a pencil, an eraser and ruler (stationery items can be purchased from reception) in a pencil case in a strong, waterproof school bag. A reading book and planner. A scientific calculator (model number: Casio fx-83GT X) – these are available from school for £11
Jewellery*	Only a wrist watch and one pair of small silver or gold, studded earrings worn in the ear lobes are allowed. No tongue/facial piercings, ear spacers, stretchers or tunnels. Earrings <b>MUST</b> be removed for PE, it is not acceptable for newly pierced ears to just be covered by plasters.
Make up*	Year 7, 8 & 9 – None. Year 10 and 11 – a discreet layer of foundation if necessary. Fake tan and false eye lashes are not allowed.
Nails*	Nail varnish and/or false nails are not allowed. Natural nails should be of an appropriate length.
Hair style* and head wear	No extreme hair styles, such as shaved less than #2, shaved patterns, 'skinhead', 'mohican', 'top knot' etc. Longer hair should be tied back for practical lessons, with a plain hairband. Girls may wear a plain black headscarf (if applicable – no tassels, lace or fringe of any type and small enough to be tucked into the shirt so the tie can be clearly seen).

Hair colour*	Hair should be of a natural colour. Any changes in hair colour should be subtle and natural. 'Dipping' is not allowed.
Tattoos	Real or fake tattoos are not allowed.
Mobile phones, smart watches, other digital technology and earphones	These items must not be brought into school. If seen, the item will be confiscated and must be collected by parents/carers. School reception is open from 7.30am – 4.30pm for parents to collect confiscated items. If parents/carers are unable to collect the item, it will be returned to the student the following Monday after school.

**Items of uniform should be hard wearing. Please stick to our guidelines and beware of 'back to school' sections in some retailers trying to sell inappropriate clothing to parents.**

**\*Parents/carers are advised to consult with a Progress Leader if they are considering allowing their child to have a change in appearance or item of dress which may conflict with the school policy. If you are in any doubt about the suitability of items of uniform/footwear please contact school before purchasing.**

Please ensure that all items of uniform and PE kit have your child's name inside.

\*\* Lockers are not currently available.

### **Sanctions**

The Headteacher will be the arbiter in all matters relating to uniform and appearance. Any student arriving at school not in uniform; in unsuitable uniform; wearing inappropriate jewellery or with an unsuitable hair style or hair colour, may spend time in internal isolation (Headway) and in all cases will have a 30 minute detention at the end of the school day.

Progress Leaders hold a stock of spare, clean items of uniform and shoes. Any student wearing incorrect uniform or footwear will be expected to change into these for the day. Refusal to do so is a breach of the behaviour policy and will be sanctioned accordingly.

Students who do not have the correct equipment for their lessons will have a 30 minute detention at the end of the school day.

### **Suppliers**

#### **Kidstop**

49 Market Street, Hyde, Cheshire, SK14 2AB

0161 368 4500

<https://www.kids-stop.co.uk/collections/alder-community-high-school?page=1>

#### **J.F.C. Sports Ltd**

Unit 8A Redfern Industrial estate, Meadow Street, Hyde, SK14 1RD

0161 367 7700

<https://jfcsports.co.uk/product-category/school/school-alder-community-high-school/>