



Futures Institute Banbury UNIFORM POLICY

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Date of next review	Ongoing	Owner	Futures Institute Banbury
Type of policy		LAB or Board approval	LAB

Uniform

Futures Institute Banbury expects all of its students to be smartly and safely dressed.

Boys and Girls

Royal Blue blazer with the school logo worn with:

Either: White shirt with clip-on school tie.

Or: Black Shalwar Khameez with either

- a short /royal blue scarf tucked into the school jumper
- a longer royal blue scarf with a headband

Black tailored “school” trousers or Futures Institute tartan kilt.

Futures Institute jumper

Black “school” shoes that can be polished

Blazers must be worn all year round. Jumpers are non-compulsory but if students want to wear a jumper under their blazer it must be the school jumper as detailed in above.

Additional points:

Shirts

- Shirts must be able to be buttoned to the neck
- Coloured or patterned garments worn underneath the shirt should not be visible

Trousers – must be tailored school trousers

- Jeans, jean-like trousers, heavy cotton trousers, “chinos”, leggings, or any other casual trousers are not acceptable and embellishments such as studs are not permitted

Shoes

- Extremes of fashion footwear are not allowed due to the expansive nature of the site and health and safety considerations
- Shoes should be either leather or plastic – that can be polished (not canvas, suede, woollen or any other material)
- Trainers are not acceptable except for PE
- Boots are not allowed. However, if students wish to wear them to walk to school and change into shoes when they arrive, we will provide somewhere for them to store them as we appreciate that some students do have a long walk

Bag

- A sturdy rucksack/backpack large enough to carry A4 books and all equipment.

Other

- Ties must be clip-on and fastened within the collar and with top button secure
- Blazers must be worn all year round,
- Jumpers are non-compulsory but if students want to wear a jumper under their blazer it must be the school jumper.
- Cardigans are not acceptable
- “Hoodies” and sweatshirts are not allowed in school and should not be worn as coats
- Denim jackets or leather jackets are not allowed in school and cannot be worn instead of weatherproof coats
- Socks must be plain black
- No piercings are allowed, other than one pair of earring studs, one in each ear. Please note that these will need to be removed for PE and DT and remain the student’s responsibility
- A wristwatch and one plain ring are the only other jewellery allowed
- Extremes of fashion in hair styles and make up are not accepted. If hair is dyed, it must be a single “natural” colour. (The decision about what is acceptable lies with the Principal)
- Excessively long nails, either false or natural, coloured nail polish or false nails of any kind are not allowed.

The School blazer, skirt, jumper and ties are available from Cross Embroidery along with the sports kit, but all other items can be bought from any retailer.

Sports Kit

KS4 – BOYS & GIRLS

Long sleeved PE shirt (winter) – must be worn for hockey, netball, football and rugby

Towel (optional)

Football boots (strongly recommended)

Trainers

Shin pads (must be worn for football, hockey and school matches)

Gum guard (strongly recommended for hockey and rugby lessons, must be worn for school matches)

If your child has an injury which prevents them participating in the practical aspects of a PE lesson they are still expected to bring their kit and take part in the lesson.

This might be that they score, give feedback to their peers on a skill they are learning, learn to umpire etc. Their PE teacher will use their professional judgement in deciding what is appropriate for each individual child. Only in exceptional circumstances will a student with an injury be placed in a classroom during a PE lesson. If a student forgets their kit they will be expected to wear our laundered school PE kit. We view this as part of their “equipment” which we expect them to bring to school in order to fully participate in the learning opportunities we provide. PE lessons provide all students with the chance to exercise, but in addition they are learning vital skills, such as team work, communication skills, humility in defeat etc.

N.B. Boys and Girls – Trainers and clothes used for PE MUST NOT be worn for general school use.

Naming of Clothing

We encourage parents to name all items of clothing with sewn-in name tags or indelible pen.

Please note: Futures Institute Banbury fully endorses the principle that the school’s uniform should be affordable for everyone, ensuring that no student or family is socially excluded through inability to buy. Accordingly, the majority of the uniform can be bought ‘off the peg’ from any high street outlet or supermarket; the only items which need to be purchased from local specialist supplier, Cross Embroidery, being the blazer, jumper and tie. The blazer is competitively priced, retailing at around a similar cost to those available from high street outlets and supermarkets (but without the required Academy badge).

Futures Institute Banbury is committed to an annual appraisal of the uniform’s cost in order to ensure that it continues to be affordable for everyone. We retain the right to send students home to change, if not in full school uniform. This is made explicit to parents by means of the Home Academy Agreement:

1. **The School** – we will: have high expectations for uniform, jewellery and PE kit – we will enforce our uniform policy
2. **Student** – I will: wear full school uniform, as detailed in the uniform policy and be tidy in appearance
3. **Parent(s)/Carer(s)** – I/We will: ensure that my/our child wears full uniform, as detailed in the uniform policy and understand that he/she will be sent home to change or internally excluded if inappropriately dressed

The Principal, on behalf of the Governing Body, will make the final decision regarding what is permissible at Futures Institute Banbury