Colne Valley High School Professional Standards



Uniform and Equipment Expectations Academic Year 2024 - 2025

'Achieving Excellence Together'

Students at Colne Valley High School are expected to achieve standards of excellence in all areas of school life including appearance. A well-worn uniform supports excellent behaviour, emphasises equality amongst young people and reflects the pride that our students have in being part of the school community.

The Uniform policy must be followed at all times. If a student fails to follow the policy, appropriate sanctions will be put in place and parents will be contacted.

Uniform:

- Claret 'Trutex' official school blazer with CVHS badge
- Grey tailored Skirt knee length with at least one pleat (black tights to be worn with skirts)
- Grey tailored school trousers, straight leg fit and full length (please note these must not be of a tight-fitting style)
- White Shirt
- CVHS 'year group' School Tie
- Plain black flat leather (or leather look) shoes (no pumps, suede footwear, trainers or boots of any description. Shoes must not have logos, buckles or any other feature)
- If a belt is worn this must be plain black leather (or leather-look) without any decorative buckle. No other belt types are acceptable





Physical Education Uniform

- Claret/Gold Polo Shirt with the CVHS badge
- Half-zip fleece with CVHS badge can be worn for outdoor lessons only
- Plain black school PE shorts or skorts
- School plain black track suit bottoms or plain black leggings for outdoor PE.
- Plain black ankle-length "skins" may also be worn Plain black football socks.
- Trainers
- Studded football boots to use on the artificial pitch and grass pitches all year round (NOT Astro turf boots/trainers for the artificial pitch studs only)



Make the right footwear choice

Parents should be aware that only plain black shoes/trainers are permitted in the school – there must be no white/coloured labels, logos, markings, buckles or studs. Shoes/trainers must be leather or leather look. Please note that suede/canvas footwear is not allowed. A general guide is to ask if the shoe would be considered appropriate for a professional office environment and would be worn with a suit.

Footwear must be sensible. Pumps, high heels, boots or trainers with air bubbles are not allowed. The images below provide some examples. If you are unsure, please contact the school to clarify before making a purchase. This is not an exhaustive list and is designed to provide a guide. Please note that students wearing inappropriate shoes will be loaned a pair for the day and parents will be contacted.



Coats and outdoor wear

- Coats and jackets must be removed whilst inside the school.
- Coats should be a single subdued colour and in a plain material.
- Hoods, hats or caps must not be worn at any time. The only exception to heads being covered will be on religious, health or medical grounds.
- Hoodies, sports style jackets, denim items, sweatshirts, cardigans and jumpers are not allowed and will be confiscated if worn.
- No hoodies or jackets worn under blazers.

Jewellery, hair and make-up

- Hair should be of natural colour.
- Subtle make-up is permitted this should be subdued and natural.
- Students may wear a wristwatch and one plain silver or gold stud can be worn in the lobe of each ear. No other facial piercings are permitted.
- False nails are not allowed, due to health and safety, students will be required to remove these.

Equipment

- Students can bring a reusable water bottle which they can fill up at the hydration station before school and during breaks.
- Students must have a black pen, purple, pencil, scientific calculator and ruler with them every day.
- All students must store their equipment in a suitable school bag, *only rucksacks are considered suitable*, and not blazer pockets.
- All students are issued with a year group lanyard which holds their timetable. They must bring this every day.
- Some subjects may issue curriculum anthologies, knowledge organisers or workbooks. Students are required to look after these and bring them to the relevant lessons.



A complete focus on learning

Our approach to electronic devices including mobile phones, smart phones, MP3 devices and other similar devices is simple – they are not to be seen, heard or used at any point during the school day and this includes lunch and break. Students will be fully focused on their learning and enjoying the varied experiences the school offers. We recognise the use of these devices when a student is travelling to and from school, but if a student chooses to bring a device into the school it is their responsibility and at their own risk.

Parents and students should be aware of the following:

- If a student is seen using any device during the school day, it will be confiscated immediately, and a behaviour point will be given.
- The first time it is confiscated a student will be permitted to collect their device at the end of the school day from Reception.
- In cases of subsequent instances, parents will be informed and be required to pick up the device from Reception at their convenience. Reception is staffed from 8:00am until 4.30.pm Monday to Friday.

Parents are encouraged to discuss this approach with their son/daughter. In case of emergency, students can contact home via our Student Services desk. Similarly, parents can contact students in an emergency via our Reception. You can be assured that *emergency* messages will be passed on by our admin manager.

Uniform stockists

School branded uniform can be purchased from the following suppliers:

- Bridge Schoolwear, 4 -6 Scar Lane, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield HD3 4PE
- Term Time Wear, 5 St. Johns Road, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, HD1 5AY
- Natashas Schoolwear, 1-3 Buxton Way, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, HD1 2UL

We believe that an excellent standard of uniform lays the foundations for an exceptional experience during a student's time with us and helps them prepare for the high expectations both employers and universities will have of our young people in the future. We work hard to ensure that students know and understand how simple it is to meet our uniform requirements, and the consequences of failing to do so. All our students are part of the same school community, and the uniform lays the basis for success in all aspects of life here. If for any reason you may find it difficult to meet any requirements set out of our policy, please do contact us.

This information is available on the school's website: www.thecvhs.co.uk