



**CULLODEN
ACADEMY**

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Culloden Academy is very keen that all pupils wear school dress code. The reverse side of this letter gives details not only of the dress-code but of the reasons behind it.

Purchases of items with the school logo can be made from Highland Embroidery directly using the link here and the link for Culloden Academy PE kit can be found here. These specialist items are not compulsory and we are very happy for pupils to simply wear a black v-necked jumper or cardigan which can be purchased at a wide range of stores and any sensible PE kit. Our aim is to make the uniform at Culloden Academy, both smart but affordable.

http://www.highland-embroidery.com/index.php?route=product/category&path=59_81)

www.klasklothing.co.uk/products/sports-club-shops/Culloden-Academy

School ties can be purchased directly from the Academy school office. We are usually open from 8am to 4pm, Monday to Thursday, and 8am to 12.30pm on Friday but due to the current school closures this is not the case at the moment. Ties will be readily available once the school reopens in August.

Please be aware that our school uniform tie is only available from Culloden Academy and the only authorised manufacturers of other items are those with links above.

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..... AND WHY IT APPLIES TO ALL PUPILS

Culloden Academy has a dress code which we are proud of and which is followed by almost all pupils. Amongst the reasons why we are so in favour of it are the facts that:

- It improves school security by making it easier to identify intruders.
- It is better value than clothing pupils may press parents to buy for school.
- It will give greater equality of appearance and discourage remarks about who can or cannot afford designer clothes.
- It gives a sense of community and a simple focus on what matters- learning.
- It encourages better conduct and improves the atmosphere for learning.
- It could help to reduce truancy by identifying pupils when not in school.
- It heightens the reputation of the school in the community- some of whom are future employers of our young people. Feedback that we have received tells us that is proving very successful. Pupils have even reported that it made a difference when worn to job interviews.

The agreed school dress code for Culloden Academy is:

- .Girls' Cardigan or V neck Jumper *black or purple* or Boys' V neck Jumper *black*.
- Shirt/blouse *black or white*.
- Trousers/skirt- *black only*.
- Tie (**all pupils** are expected to wear the school tie) *S5/6 purple, S1-4 striped*.

The majority of pupils in the school are now wearing school ties. Please help us further develop the standing of Culloden Academy pupils by encouraging your son/daughter to wear the school tie. If, however, this is becoming a major issue for your child as they prepare to join us, a supply of polo shirts is still available and may be purchased to wear until they get used to school ties. This session we had a significant round of tie buying once pupils saw how smart their friends looked and I anticipate that any pupil struggling with the idea of wearing a school tie will be quickly won round in August.

I am aware that some parents feel that the official school-wear is too expensive and prefer to buy jumpers and shirts from other sources which do not have the Culloden Academy logo on them. Similarly, some pupils prefer a certain style of jumper or blouse. This is fine- so long as they are plain, do not have any other logo on them and are in school colours. However, for the reasons outlined above, **all pupils should be clearly identifiable as a pupil of Culloden Academy.**

Dr Vance

Rector