

TBSHS Sixth Form Uniform Expectations

We are very proud of our high standards of uniform as it is very much part of our ethos. We expect our students to dress in a professional, formal and corporate manner, *i.e. what you would wear in a formal office environment*. **The standard of dress should be exemplary at all times and in cases of uncertainty the School's Interpretation is definitive.** Failure to adhere to our dress code will result in a sanction and any serious breaches of the Sixth Form Dress Code may result in a student being sent home.

Students must choose between Choice 1 and Choice 2 as part of their compulsory Sixth Form Uniform.

Choice 1		
Item	Non-negotiables	Examples**
Formal business suit or formal trousers & suit jacket/blazer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOT linen 	Suit 1 Suit 2 Suit 3
Collared shirt & TBSHS tie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top button must be done up • Shirt must be tucked in 	
Black or brown formal shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polishable • NOT trainers or boots (inc. Dr. Martens) • Must be worn with socks 	Shoes 1 Shoes 2
Choice 2		
Item	Non-negotiables	Examples**
Business style trousers, skirt or dress with a suit jacket or blazer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skirts/dresses <u>must be knee-length</u> • Skirts/dresses must NOT be lycra. 	Trousers 1 Trousers 2 Skirt 1 Dress 1 Dress 2 Dress 3
Smart blouse and TBSHS brooch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain or subtly patterned* • Midriffs, shoulders and backs must be covered at all times • NO strapless or "string-strapped" tops • NO see-through or lace material 	Blouse 1 Blouse 2
Black or brown formal shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat or low-heeled • Polishable • NOT trainers or boots (inc. Dr. Martens) • Must be worn with dark socks or tights 	Shoes 3 Shoes 4
Optional Dress Code items		
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Jumper (optional, but must also be worn with a jacket)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOT sweatshirt material • Jumper must allow the school tie to be visible • Fine weave only (NO fisherman style) • Must be plain (black, blue, grey or similar) 	Jumper 1 Jumper 2 Jumper 3 Jumper 4 Jumper 5
Tights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain dark or natural colour 	NA

Dress Code for PE and Sport	
Item	Non-negotiables
A Level, BTEC Sport, Sports Leaders & Sixth Formers representing the school must wear specific TBSHS branded kit. This can be purchased from https://www.tylers-sportswear.co.uk/Catalogue/School-Webshops/The-Bishops-Stortford-High-School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a privilege extended only to the Sixth Form, you may come to school on Wednesdays in sports clothing. But only if participating in an on-site Enrichment option and only if wearing TBSHS branded sports clothing. • https://www.tylers-sportswear.co.uk/Catalogue/School-Webshops/The-Bishops-Stortford-High-School • If you do not wish to wear TBSHS branded clothing you must come to school in Sixth Form uniform before changing into PE kit.
During Sixth Form Enrichment, students are expected to wear suitable and tasteful sporting attire	

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Hair and Make-up	
Item	Non-negotiables
Hair must be neat and respectable with no extremes of style or colour. (In cases of uncertainty the School's interpretation is definitive)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ideally, any hair which covers the eyes and/or is longer than shoulder length should be tied up. Students whose hair is not "neat and respectable" or may pose a health and safety risk is likely to be asked to tie their hair back.</i> • All long hair must be tied up for sport
Students should be clean-shaven at all times. We are very proud of the diversity of faiths and cultures in our Sixth Form and we will allow students to grow beards for religious observance. Please note that written permission from the school must be sought.	
'Natural look' day make-up is permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nail varnish must be well-maintained and plain/subtle in appearance.
Jewellery and Tattoos	
It is illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to have a tattoo, even with parental consent. Tattoos must NOT be on show in school and MUST be covered at all times.	
Students may wear a minimum of jewellery.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earrings must be discreet studs only • No other form of facial piercing, including nose/tongue/eyebrow studs, is allowed. Clear plastic 'plugs' may be used to keep existing piercings open. • Jewellery related to sincere religious observance may be worn.

Coats, gilets, hats and neck scarves should be placed in lockers at the start of the day and must NOT be worn in classrooms or whilst moving in or around school buildings.

Suit jackets/blazers must be worn at all times unless the Headteacher has permitted Summer Uniform.

[*in general, if you are not sure whether something fits the dress code, assume it doesn't.]

[**these are purely for visual representation and there is absolutely no obligation to purchase from these retailers.]
