

BOOTHAM COLLEGE DRESS CODE (Years 12 and 13)

Primarily the responsibility for the dress and appearance of students rests with parents. The School expects cooperation from both parents and students in maintaining an appearance that the School believes is conducive to carrying out its essential purposes and for a productive College working environment.

Our intent is to help our students develop a sense of good judgement about clothing that is appropriate in a school environment. We expect students to make dress choices that are consistent with Quaker principles of modesty and simplicity. All pupils are expected to dress tidily, wearing clothing that is clean and in good condition. Teachers will use their judgement to determine whether articles of clothing, jewellery etc are appropriate for the school environment and specific locations within it (e.g. workshops, PE).

The code aims to encourage appropriate clothing for the school work place, to increasingly allow individual expression as a pupil progresses through the school and to promote awareness of our responsibility to the school community. Parents should make every effort to make sure that a student's clothing is modest and appropriate for school.

Students may be sent home or back to their boarding house if, after warnings, they continue to arrive unsuitably dressed.

General Regulations

- No military style clothing
- No offensive logos, images or slogans
- Piercings (other than earrings) are not permitted
- All clothing should be modest and underwear should never be visible

Specific Regulations

For boys:

- Shirts should always be worn
- Trousers/jeans should not be torn or frayed
- Trousers/jeans should always cover underwear; low-slung jeans are not appropriate

For girls:

- Shorts which reach at least half way to the knee are acceptable
- No leggings (or 'jeggings') without a skirt or long top
- No mini-skirts or very short dresses but all should be of a modest length
- No tights with holes – or any other torn or frayed clothing
- No low-cut or strap tops
- High or sharp-heeled shoes are not permitted to protect floor coverings around the school