

## DRESS CODE FOR STUDENTS POLICY

## 1 Introduction

Whilst École Jeannine Manuel ("the School") does not require students to wear a uniform, adherence to the Dress Code is important for the social and emotional wellbeing and development of students. The School encourages students to develop the capacity for self-awareness and self-discipline, to learn to dress with consideration for others and to discover what is acceptable in our School and as a member of the wider community.

A commitment to the School and respect for its rules, including the Dress Code, underpin effective behavior. All staff share responsibility for implementing the Dress Code and for maintaining standards of courtesy, behavior and appearance.

## 2 Expectations

- 2.1 The School expects all students to observe the School Rules, including those regarding Dress Code and appearance. A high standard of personal appearance is expected and it is the duty of all staff to ensure that students observe these requirements.
- 2.2 The School has no uniform.
- 2.3 You may wear casual clothes at School, such as denim trousers and skirts, as well as trainers, but clothing should be clean, free of holes and not frayed or torn. Tops should not carry wording or pictures that might be offensive or cause damage to our reputation. Students are expected to use good judgment and it is inappropriate, for example, to wear cut-off shorts, crop tops, see-through material, extravagantly colored hair or conspicuous piercings at School.
- 2.4 The above descriptions are not meant to be exhaustive but instead represent guidelines.
- 2.5 The School ethos, expressed in its mission statement, entails strict neutrality with respect to pupils' religious beliefs, cultural traditions and political commitments. Accordingly, the School is non-denominational and welcomes and respects pupils of all faiths, whilst considering faith to be a private matter. Hence, in conformity with French law, no conspicuous signs or symbols of religious, cultural or political affiliations are acceptable. We aim to act reasonably with respect to this policy; where there are areas of doubt regarding its interpretation, please contact the Head of School for clarification.

## 3 Roles and responsibilities

- 3.1 The School will establish and keep under review this policy and the Head of School will be responsible for ensuring its implementation and day-to-day management.
- 3.2 Staff will be responsible for ensuring that this policy is followed, and consistently applied. Staff will advise the Head of School of the effectiveness of this policy.
- 3.3 Parents are encouraged to work in partnership with the School and assist the School in maintaining the Dress Code Policy.