



Educate
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Bremore Educate Together Secondary School

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Dress Code Policy

April 2016

Bremore Educate Together Secondary School is a new school opening on 29th of August 2016 in temporary accommodation. Bremore Educate Together Secondary School Dress Code Policy is the set of practices and procedures that together form our school's plan for helping and encouraging pupils to behave well and learn well.

Students who attend Bremore Educate Together Secondary School will be encouraged to reach their full potential mentally, physically, spiritually, emotionally and socially, in an atmosphere and environment in which they feel safe, valued and secure and in which respect for self and others is the norm. Our school operates under the direct patronage of Educate Together and there are four underlying principles which form our ethos.

We are a co-educational school, democratically run, multi-denominational and child centred.

The Dress Code Policy helps the school community to promote the school's unique ethos, relationships, policies, procedures and practices that encourage good behaviour and minimise unacceptable behaviour.

The Dress Code Policy helps pupils, parents and staff members to work together to achieve a happy, effective and safe school environment. We strive to create an ethos of respect, inclusion, accountability and of commitment to relationships.

This Draft version of Bremore Educate Together Secondary School Dress Code Policy was initiated in April 2016 by a working group involving the Interim Board of Management

This Dress Code Policy works in conjunction with the Code of Positive Behaviour, the Anti-Bullying Policy, SPHE and RSE policy.

This Dress Code Policy also applies while on school outings, sporting events and trips. (on occasion it may be necessary to have a school top for school tours etc. this will be agreed with students and parents (stakeholder's) prior to the tour)

The school recognises the variety of differences that exist between children and the need to accommodate these differences wherever it is possible within the confines of large classes.

A positive proactive approach will be taken towards discipline and every effort will be made to implement this policy in a fair, reasonable and consistent manner.

This document communicates the responsibilities that students of Bremore Educate Together Secondary School and their parent/guardian(s) accept when they enrol in the school. Please read this policy and sign the permission form to indicate your agreement with same.

At Bremore Educate Together Secondary School we acknowledge the support of our parent population, with the Dress Code Policy, and anticipate that this support will continue.

The Bremore ETSS Dress Code

Pupils in Bremore ETSS do not wear a school uniform. We encourage diversity and self-expression however; a dress code is part of the personal education of pupils here. Pupils are encouraged to become aware themselves of what is, and what is not, acceptable in terms of what they wear in the school environment. In order to facilitate this learning pupils and their parents/guardians are given guidelines known as the Dress Code to help them make the right choices in terms of their school clothes and to realise that some forms of clothing are not appropriate for school.

This will be discussed during the transfer programme from primary to post primary and also at the start of the school term (or when appropriate at assembly)

Clothes

Basically clothes worn to school must be clean, in good order, modest and appropriate for daily school life. There must be no offensive slogans or pictures.

Underwear should never be seen.

Tracksuits and appropriate footwear must be worn for PE classes and sports.

Shorts, if worn in the warmer weather, must be of knee-length.

Leggings, jeggings and very tight skinny-type jeans must always be worn with a long top over them.

Skirts and dresses should be of a moderate lengths and suitable for school rather than a night out.

Boys' trousers must not be worn low below the hips displaying their underwear.

Torn jeans, tights or other torn clothing must not be worn.

Vest tops displaying underwear are not allowed as part of the dress code.

Low-cut tops and tops that expose the midriff are not allowed as part of the dress code.

Jewellery

Jewellery should be appropriate to daily school life. Earrings that are very long are a health and safety issue in practical classes and on crowded corridors and should not be worn.

Visible body piercings, other than reasonably- sized earrings are not permitted. Students may be asked to remove jewellery from time to time in practical classes (for example during Home Economics) for health and safety reasons.

Hair Styles

Hair should always be clean.

Hair should not be extreme in terms of colour or style. Again moderation is the key. A pupils' eyes should not be covered by a hair style.

Make-up

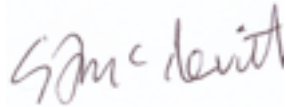
While make-up is allowed in school it should be applied in moderation.

Pupils may be challenged in terms of dress code violations by the teaching staff. Repeated failure of a pupil to comply with the dress code will mean that an entry against their name into the school's VSware System. The pupil may then be sent home to change their clothing following prior notification to parents/guardians.

Please note that this code applies to pupils attending school-related activities.

This dress code should be read in conjunction with the Positive Code of Behaviour Policy

Signed:



Date: Thursday, May 12, 2016