

North West Regional College Policy and Procedures

Dress Code Policy

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Introduction

The College believes that students have the right to express themselves however, it should also be remembered that College buildings are places of work and learning. Learners should be aware that inappropriate clothing should not be worn to College.

The College also wishes to create a good and harmonious learning environment and atmosphere in which no student feels under threat or intimidated because of his/her religious belief or political opinion. The College therefore prohibits the wearing of any items which are likely to give offence or cause apprehension among particular groups of students. The College has decided that the best way to implement the policy is to ban all club sportswear. Sportswear manufactured by firms such as Nike, Adidas, etc that do not relate to sporting clubs is permissible. Wearing clothing bearing emblems/slogans with sectarian significance or offensive slogans is also in breach of this policy.

Guidelines

- The College prohibits the wearing of all sports clubs' shirts, scarves, hats, coats, ties, and badges etc. Other items of clothing and symbols of sectarian significance linked to the community conflict in Northern Ireland, may also be considered inappropriate if they have the potential to cause disharmony or are worn/displayed to be deliberately provocative.
- This will apply to all on all College sites.
- Any student who is found wearing such items will be asked to leave the premises to get changed.
- All staff are asked to implement the guidelines and additional support will be available from Student Services if required.
- College publications which relate to students will publicise details of the guidelines.
- Failure to comply with these guidelines may lead to disciplinary action being taken.

Under Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, the North West Regional College is committed to promoting good relations between persons of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group.

The College will provide this policy in alternative formats on request where reasonably practicable, eg, Braille, Large Print, Audio formats, etc, and/or alternative language.