Stocksbridge High School Acceptable and Unacceptable



Trousers and Skirts

The following guide has been produced to help parents understand whether or not footwear is acceptable before a purchase is made. Please check with us if you are unsure whether uniform is acceptable. This can be done by sending a picture or by bringing the shoes to the pastoral team before they are worn so they can be returned.

Skirts



Skirts that finish between the red lines are not acceptable as they are too short. The minimum skirt length should touch the top of the knee. Students will be challenged if it is any higher.

Skirts that finish between the green lines are acceptable if they are made of the correct material.

Fabric

We do not allow stretch material on skirts or trousers. You can tell if the material is stretch if you hold it between both your thumb and forefinger and pull it tight. If the material is elastic allows you to keep pulling it, it is stretch material. If you pull the material tight and it does not give, then it is not stretch.

Trousers

Trousers should be full length tailored trousers. They can be found at most uniform suppliers. Skin tight trousers are not permissible. Consider the following image:



When you look at the trousers next to each other, you can see that the tailored trousers that are acceptable stay a consistent shape all the way down the leg. The unacceptable trousers on the right get thinner towards the ankle. When you are browsing trousers, make sure that the fit does not resemble the trousers on the right and are loose around the ankle.

The "Ankle Rule"

You may hear students talk about this with trousers. The reason we do this is to try and help you understand if the trousers are too tight. Some schools have tape measures in staff offices and measure the fit of trousers around the ankle. We did not want to do this! Therefore, we put the rule in place that you should not be able to see the students ankle while they are in uniform to help you buy trousers that are fitted correctly and allow staff to easily challenge incorrect uniform.

Jeans

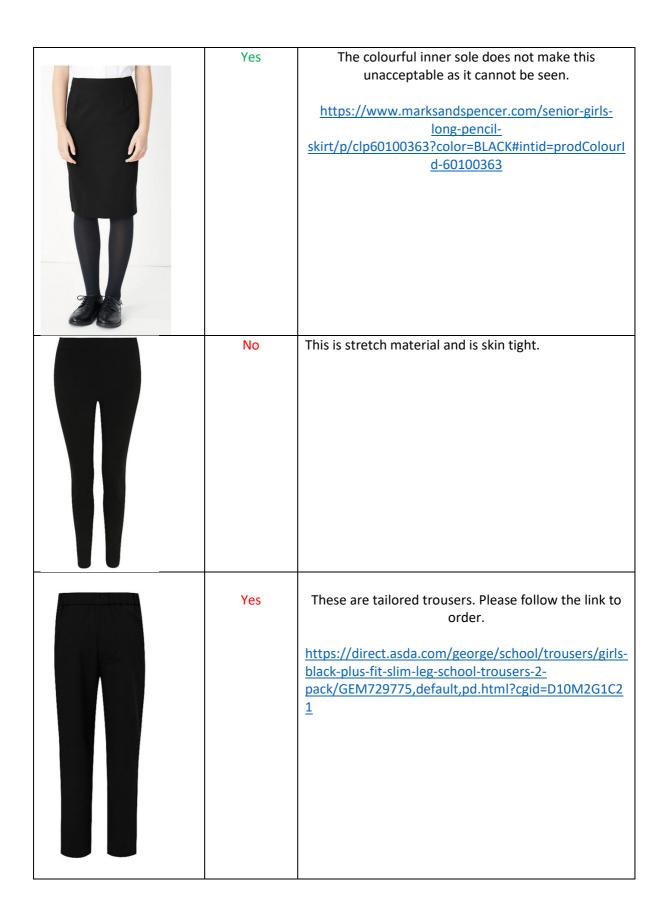
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Jeans and trousers with rivets are not acceptable. A rivet is the button effect on a par of jeans or trousers. They are not acceptable.

The following images give examples of skirts that are acceptable and not acceptable when worn for school, with an explanation or notes that may be useful. To view the image better, click on the image and re-size. (You must use MS word for this, all students have access through Office 365)

Image	Acceptable (Yes/No)	Reason/Notes
	Yes	This is the minimum length for a school skirt that is acceptable.

d	No	You can clearly see that the skirt is higher than the knee.
	No	It is harder to see the length of this skirt because it is worn with tights. However, it is still too short.
	Yes	This skirt just about meets the length expectations. We recommend you get a longer skirt, as if the student grows even a small amount, it won't be acceptable.



No	These are jeans and you can clearly see the rivets.
Yes	These trousers from next have been popular with our students. They are a nice fit when worn. <u>https://www.next.co.uk/g241472s14/305345#30534</u> <u>5</u>