

Dear Parent/Carer

We are pleased to learn that your son/daughter/young person has applied to study a course within Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy and Media Make-up. As a way of mirroring industry standards and as a need to meet health and safety requirements, students completing these qualifications are required to wear a uniform for their practical classes. It is hoped that most students will already have parts of the salon uniform and will only need to purchase the top/tunic associated with the course that they are studying. Details of the top/tunic will be provided at enrolment where samples will be available to try on.

Hair & Media and Make-up

- Long hair must be tied up in a style that is off the face (to help avoid accidents and prevent hair from falling onto the face/model/client).
- Nails must be short and product free (to avoid scratching etc. and to ensure nails and fingers are clean and hygienic when working on others).
- Jewellery is not allowed, this includes facial piercings (ear, tongue, eyebrow etc.). This is also for reasons associated with health and safety.
- Students should wear smart black full-length trousers (similar to what would be allowed in a school). Jeans, leggings, joggers, leather/PVC type trousers are not permitted.
- Students are required to wear black, flat, plain shoes which fully support the foot. A typical school shoe is a good example here. Trainers are **not preferred** but are allowed, so long as they are all black with **no visible branding (for example no Adidas stripes, Nike ticks, black and white Converse)**.
- Students will be required to purchase a York College Media Make-up T shirt and details of this will follow at enrolment. Students can wear a plain black T-shirt until this arrives (not cropped, strappy, low cut – imagine the plainest short sleeved T-shirt and you can't go wrong).

Students must be in salon/workshop uniform to attend practical sessions. In the event of students not being in uniform it is likely that they will be given work to do in the Learning Centre or where applicable, they will have the opportunity to attend extra Maths and English sessions. Should a student forget their uniform on more than one occasion it is likely that they will be sent home. Students refusing to adhere to salon dress will be withdrawn.

Beauty Therapy

- Long hair must be tied up in a style that is off the face and neck (to help avoid accidents and prevent hair from falling onto the face/model/client).
- Nails must be short and product free (to avoid scratching etc. and to ensure nails and fingers are clean and hygienic when working on others).
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- Students will be required to purchase a York College Beauty Therapy Tunic and details of this will follow at enrolment. Students can wear a plain black T-shirt until this arrives (not cropped, strappy, low cut – imagine the plainest short sleeved T-shirt and you can't go wrong).

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Hairdressing/Barbering

- Hair must be clean and neatly styled.
- Jewellery must be minimal and discreet.
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Your support with this is much appreciated. Occasionally, there are medical reasons that mean that adaptations to uniform need to be made for the best interest of the student. Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Team should this be the case.

Thank you

Karen Goodman

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