

ACADEMY DRESS CODE

We expect all students in Years 7-11 to conform to the Academy Dress Code. The main reason for this is to encourage students to identify first and foremost with an Academy we hope they are proud of and feel happy to be a part of. It will also ease the pressure that children can put on parents/carers to provide fashionable and often expensive clothes for the Academy. For these reasons the emphasis is on sensible and conventional designs that are suitable for the Academy and resist interpretation according to the latest 'fad'. Similarly, students are expected to maintain standards of appearance with respect to such matters as hairstyle and make-up.

The support of parents and carers is expected in enforcing this policy and it must be remembered that problems arise when the occasional student flouts the rule and others see it as unfair for them to conform to the Academy code when somebody does not.

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- Blazer:** Plain black with Branston badge
- Shirt:** Plain white shirt with **top button, collar and sleeves.**
- Skirt:** Academy pleated skirt, with logo **only**, with black tights (*skirt currently available from Uniform Direct*)
- Trousers:** Plain black straight leg trousers with plain **black** socks. (*Skinny fit, lycra, chinos, cords and drainpipes or excessively flared trousers are **NOT ALLOWED***). All trousers must touch the shoe. If not, they will be deemed to be too short.
- Tie:** Year specific tie with Branston Badge visible
- Shoes:** **Traditional Black** sensible low heeled (*sling-backs, stiletto heels, trainers, boots and canvas are **NOT ACCEPTABLE***)
- Jumper/
Cardigan:** **Plain** black fine woollen knit 'V' neck, NO ZIPS.
- Scarf/Belt:** Plain black
- Coats:** Plain **black or dark blue** only (*no logos or stripes*) Hoodies, tracksuit tops, denim, leather and coats with logos are **not allowed** to be **worn or carried**. During the winter months, we recommend that a fluorescent strip is purchased for all those who walk home from the Academy.
- Jewellery:** **One small** stud earring is allowed in each ear. A flat signet ring and a watch is allowed. No other jewellery is allowed. *Nose studs/retainers are NOT allowed.*

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE MARKED WITH THE STUDENT'S NAME

Technology Workshops

White/Blue apron or overall with pocket (not plastic or P.V.C)

Drama

Clean trainers must be worn in this department.

NOT ACCEPTABLE

Nail Varnish or heavy make-up (including lipstick and false eyelashes).

Stretchers, spikes, retainers, helix bar, facial or tongue piercings.

Visible tattoos.

Extremes of hairstyle (e.g. Fully shaved head, closely shaved heads, minimum number 1 back and sides, skin fades are not acceptable, brightly dyed (e.g. red/purple/green/blue)/block or dip-dyed coloured hair, braided hair and no tramlines in hair or eyebrows).

Students who fail to comply with the Academy dress code will have break and lunchtime privileges withdrawn. Persistent failure will result in the student being placed in supervised independent study.

Any unacceptable item(s) will be confiscated and held at the General Office, to be collected at the end of that term.

Blazers should be worn at all times on the Academy site unless otherwise instructed by a member of staff.

If a student has a legitimate medical reason for wearing trainers, a doctor's note is required, otherwise the student will have break or lunchtime privileges withdrawn or be placed in supervised independent study.

PE KIT

Compulsory Kit

- (i) **Shorts**
Plain **dark navy** shorts. No logos allowed eg Nike.
- (ii) **Polo Shirt**
The Navy / Sky Branston Community Academy branded polo shirt.
- (iii) **White Socks**
White trainer or ankle socks are required for indoor lessons and for the summer term.
- (iv) **Trainers**
Please ensure your child has appropriate trainers for Physical Education. They should have a non-slip and non-marking sole. No plimsolls, fashion or skateboard style trainers allowed.
- (v) **Swimming Kit**
Boys: Normal plain mid-leg dark plain **navy** or **black** swimming shorts. No knee length shorts allowed. No significant logos or stripes allowed.
Girls: Plain all-in-one **black or navy** swimming costume. No 2-pieces allowed. **No stripes allowed.**

All students must have a **plain blue** swim cap. These can be bought from the Academy for £2 in September or from elsewhere.

Goggles are allowed and advised for all students who struggle to fully submerge their head under the water. A towel will be required.

Additional Sport Specific Kit (KS3 - Please wait for confirmation of the curriculum your child will follow before purchasing)

Rugby

- (vi) **Rugby Top**
A reversible, **navy/sky blue** rugby shirt. This allows the shirt to be reversed during lessons for games.
- (vii) **Gum Shields**
These are compulsory for all contact Rugby lessons
- (viii) **Socks**
Navy with a sky trim football socks.
- (i) **Football boots**
Required for football and/or rugby.

Football

- (ii) **Hooded Top**
Navy with the Branston Community Academy badge.

Or

Rugby Top
A reversible, **navy/sky blue** rugby shirt. This allows the shirt to be reversed during lessons for games.
- (iii) **Socks**
Navy with a sky trim football socks.
- (iv) **Shin Pads**
Shin pads are always compulsory for football. This is a UEFA, FIFA, FA and ESFA rule. Students without shin pads will not be allowed to participate in any contact work at any time. Instead, they will undertake different tasks, such as fitness work or officiating.
- (v) **Football boots**
Required for football and/or rugby.

Netball

- (vi) **Hooded Top**
Navy with the Branston Community Academy badge.

Or

Rugby Top
A reversible, **navy/sky blue** rugby shirt.

Optional Kit

- (i) **Leggings (For Dance/Gymnastics and outdoor sports)**
Must be the approved leggings from Uniform Direct.

- (ii) **Gloves**
A pair of **navy or black** gloves are allowed during colder weather. They should allow the student to be able to carry out Physical Education lessons as normal. Bulky ski-type gloves are not allowed. They can only be worn with teacher permission.

- (iii) **Baselayer/Skins - top and bottom**
A baselayer or skin – plain black or plain navy - can be worn under the t-shirt, rugby shirt, hoodie or shorts for outdoor lessons.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not allowed in PE lessons. All jewellery will need to be removed for lessons. Earrings will need to be removed for swimming lessons but can be taped over, if they are unable to be removed, for other lessons. You must provide your own tape. The PE department will not lend out tape. Please consider the time carefully when you have an ear piercing.

C) Where can I buy the Physical Education kit?

The Physical Education kit can be bought from:
- Uniform Direct

Please note the polo shirt, rugby top, football socks and leggings can only be bought from Uniform Direct at the moment.