

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 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 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:** Academy Grey and blue (**minimum 7 stripes visible**)
- Shoes:** **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:** **Y7 - Plain black (no logos or stripes).** For students in Years 8-11, either plain black or plain dark blue (*not a combination of colours and 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.

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. closely shaved heads, minimum number 1 back and sides, skin fades are not acceptable, brightly dyed/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 isolation.

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

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE MARKED WITH THE STUDENT'S NAME

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 isolation.