

Uniform Policy

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Leigh Academy Longfield Uniform Policy

At Leigh Academy Longfield, students in years 7-11 are expected to be of smart appearance and to wear the Academy uniform on the way to and from the Academy as well as during the academy day. An acceptance of a place at Leigh Academy Longfield implies an acceptance of our uniform and dress code. By requiring students to wear the Leigh Academy Longfield uniform, we hope to develop a sense of loyalty to the community of which they are members, and encourage them to take pride in their appearance.



The full uniform policy can be viewed on the academy website



- **Shoes** Plain black leather shoes are the only footwear permitted. Trainers, above ankle boots, platforms, sling backs, fabric shoes (e.g Vans) and open toed shoes and other decorated footwear (e.g. those with sports logos, coloured stitching etc) are not allowed. Kickers' style shoes/ankle boots are the only exception to the rule and they are allowed to be worn at the academy.
- Shirts/Blouses Students should wear a plain white shirt (long or short sleeve) with the academy tie
 or plain white blouse and no tie. No designer shirts are permitted. Shirts/blouses must be tucked in at
 all times, and the academy tie must always be worn with the shirt option.
- Blazers Blazers are to be worn at all times, this includes when travelling to and from the academy, and when moving around the academy. In lessons students are able to ask their teacher for permission to take them off when they are working but when moving around the academy blazers must be worn.
 During hot weather, the removal of blazers when moving around the building is at the discretion of the Principal of the academy.
- Skirts The only permitted skirt in years 7-11 is the bespoke academy skirt. The new kilt-style skirts
 are bespoke to the academy and have four black buttons showing on the side, the length of the skirt
 must be level with the back of the knee when standing.
- Pullover Plain navy v-neck. No logos or branding except the academy crest. This is an optional part
 of academy uniform and cannot be worn in replacement for a blazer.

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• **Trousers** - Only trousers that comply with our uniform policy may be worn to the academy. To assist in the purchase of school trousers, the diagrams below show the academy's approved styles of trousers. Trousers must be black, full-length and tailored. The fit can be straight, slim or boot-cut and fastened by a zip and/or button. Trousers must be of 'suit material'.

Please note that the following types of trousers are not acceptable:

- X Jeans, cargo style, leggings, jeggings, shorts or 3/4 length trousers.
- X Trousers with fully elasticated waists.
- X Trousers which are made of material with a high shine or sheen.



- Socks Socks must be either plain white, black or grey. No patterns or markings should be visible.
- **Tights** Plain black or neutral only. No patterns or markings are allowed.
- **Coats** Plain coats with minimal branding are acceptable. Coats are not to be worn in the building. Hoodies or specific sports clothing items are not permitted. These items will be confiscated.
- Scarves, hats & gloves In cold weather, scarves, hats (no bandannas, hoods or caps) and gloves are only to be worn to and from the academy and these must be removed once inside the academy building. Hijabs worn for religious purposes and agreed by the academy must be plain black, and must not cover either the face or uniform.
- Jewellery No jewellery except for one wrist watch and a maximum of one small plain, non-decorative silver or gold coloured stud earring in each ear. Hooped or pendant earrings are not permitted for health and safety reasons. Other items of jewellery will be confiscated. Nose studs or tongue studs and other forms of body piercing are not permitted. No accessories are to be worn around the neck, wrists or attached to clothing.
- **Makeup** Only discreet makeup is allowed. Nail varnish, false or gel nails, fake tan, false eyelashes must not be worn at any time.
- **Hair** Hair must be of a single natural colour, and must not be dyed multiple colours (e.g. highlighted). No 'extreme' hairstyles are allowed. The final decision regarding what is classed as an 'extreme hairstyle' is at the discretion of the Principal of the academy. No decorative attachments are to be worn in the hair, hair bands must be plain black, white or brown with a maximum of 50mm width.

Leigh Academy Longfield PE kit

All students must bring a full PE kit, which must be worn for each lesson regardless of illness or injury.

All P.E. kit items can be purchased from our uniform provider.

- Academy PE polo shirt
- Academy PE shorts optional bottom half of uniform
- Academy PE leggings (full length only) optional bottom half of uniform
- Academy PE tracksuit bottoms optional bottom half of uniform
- Academy PE jumper (optional) advisable for outdoor lessons; no other jumpers, hoodies or coats (etc) are acceptable
- Trainers non-marking soles



Mobile phones, earphones, smart watches and other electronic devices

Students are not allowed to use their mobile phones or earpods/airpods (or any similar type of device) on the academy site during the academy day. If students' devices are 'seen or heard' on the academy site during the school day, they will be confiscated. At the end of the day, (after 3.20pm), and once the students have exited the academy building, students are allowed to use their mobile phones, so that they are able to contact the person who is picking them up if necessary.

We enforce this policy in line with government expectations of UK schools, but also to create a safe culture of disruption-free learning.

A separate policy exists which covers **Mobile Phones & Earphones** in greater detail.

<u>This policy is available from the policies section of our website.</u>

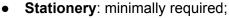
This policy forms part of the Academy Behaviour Policy and may be referenced within this document.

Equipment

All students are required to bring the following equipment to school each and every day.

Some lessons may require additional items to be brought to school. For example, full and correct PE Kit for PE lessons, or a plastic container for Food Prep.

- School bag: Every student must have a suitable school bag which can hold an A4 book/folder.
- School issued Chromebook: Chromebooks must be brought to school every day, fully charged. For safeguarding reasons, only chromebooks supplied through the academy's chromebook scheme may be used.
- Chromebook case: Chromebooks must be carried inside a protective case. You can source your own, or purchase directly from our uniform supplier.



- x2 pens (black and blue)
- o x1 pencil
- o x1 ruler
- o x1 rubber
- Scientific calculator



Prohibited Items

- Tinted or cosmetic contact lenses and decorative dental wear are not permitted.
- Birthday balloons are not permitted.
- Chewing gum must not be brought on to the academy site, and if any student is found with chewing gum it will be confiscated.
- Energy drinks are not allowed on school grounds and will be confiscated.

Students are not permitted to sell items of confectionery, or other food or drink, on the academy site.

Liability

Large amounts of money and expensive personal items should not be brought to the academy. Leigh Academy Longfield will not accept liability for any claim arising from theft, loss or damage to personal effects, money, belongings or clothing whilst at the academy, under any circumstances.