



DRESS CODE FOR STUDENTS

Years 7 - 11

Students wear our uniform with pride. It is smart but practical and reflects all of our aspirations for our academy.

To prevent uniform getting lost, please make sure that each item is named using an iron-on, stick-on or sewn-in label, or by using a permanent naming pen.

Students are expected to be of smart and sensible appearance. Individual fashion statements such as extreme hair styles or colours, designer shirts, trainers and decorated footwear are not permitted. Trim lines or other shaved shapes in the hair and 'barcodes' in eyebrows are not permitted. Extreme hairstyles are not allowed, this includes mohican haircuts. Tinted or cosmetic contact lenses and decorative dental wear are not permitted.

No bandanas, durags, hoods, caps or hats should be worn at any time and will be confiscated if worn in the academy. Small, neutral coloured hair bands are allowed. Headscarves worn for religious or cultural reasons should be plain black or navy with no studs, sequins or other decoration. No false eyelashes are allowed.

Students are permitted to wear one pair of small stud earrings (one in each lobe) and a watch, which can be handed to a teacher during PE. Tongue, Eye and Nose studs or rings are not permitted. The Leigh Academy is not responsible for the loss of any jewelry. Necklaces and bracelets are not permitted; however, an exception may be made for religious chains provided they are discreetly worn under the shirt and should be agreed with your child's college. Rings and false nails (eg coloured acrylic/gel/or others) are not permitted. Clear nail polish is allowed. The Leigh Academy is not responsible for the loss of any jewelry.

Students must have a bag that is capable of holding an A4 folder, PE kit and a Chromebook.

By requiring students to wear the academy uniform, it is intended to develop their sense of loyalty to the community of which they are members, and to encourage them to take pride in their appearance. Students are expected to wear full academy uniform on the way to and from the academy.

If students are not in full uniform, they will not be able to attend lessons. They will work in the Curriculum Support Centre, until the correct uniform is brought to them or they will be sent home to change, with parental permission. If a student persistently fails to wear uniform the normal academy procedure for student support should be followed (see academy behaviour policy)

Large amounts of money and expensive personal effects should not be brought to the academy. The academy will not accept liability for any claim arising from theft, accidental loss or damage to personal effects, money, belongings or clothing whilst on the academy premises.

THE LEIGH ACADEMY

ACADEMY UNIFORM – GIRLS

Available from Brigade and TFS School & Dancewear

Navy Blue Blazer	With The Leigh Academy badge on breast pocket	Compulsory
Navy Blue Pleated Skirt	Minimum skirt length = no shorter than 6 cms (2½ ins) above the knee Maximum skirt length = calf length	Compulsory
OR		
Plain Black Tailored Trousers	Flares, boot leggers, hipsters or lycra are not part of The Leigh Academy uniform	Compulsory
White Blouse	With College logo	Compulsory
OR		
White Shirt worn with Academy Tie	With College badge	Optional
Black Lycra Tights		Compulsory
OR		
Plain Socks	White or black	Compulsory
Plain Flat BLACK leather/leather effect shoes only	Maximum height = 3 cms (1 inch) No shoe may be above the ankle bone Trainers are only permitted for PE lessons	Compulsory No canvas shoes
Navy Blue 'V' Neck Sweater	Should be plain with no commercial logos/College logo jumpers are available	Optional
Overcoats/Jackets	Should be plain black/navy blue with no writing or commercial logos on them Denim and leather coats are not part of The Leigh Academy uniform	Optional

ACADEMY PE UNIFORM – GIRLS

Only available from SWI (Sportswear International Ltd)

Compulsory for all PE lessons

Polo Shirt	Black and White with College badge
Fleece	Black and White with College badge
Shorts	Black
Skirts (Optional)	Black
Jogging Bottoms	Black
Trainers - Indoor	With non-marking soles

Compulsory for Winter/Cold Weather Sports

Football/Rugby Socks	Black
Football Boots – Outdoor	Must have safety studs – for rugby and football
Shin Guards	For football

Gum Shield

For certain sports - compulsory for rugby

THE LEIGH ACADEMY

ACADEMY UNIFORM – BOYS

Available from Brigade and TFS School & Dancewear

Navy Blue Blazer	With The Leigh Academy badge on breast pocket	Compulsory
Academy Tie	With College badge	Compulsory
Black Plain Tailored Trousers	Jean type trousers are not part of The Leigh Academy uniform	Compulsory
White Shirt	Long or short sleeves	Compulsory
Plain Socks	White or black	Compulsory
Plain Flat BLACK leather/leather effect shoes only	No shoe may be above the ankle bone Trainers are only permitted for PE lessons	Compulsory No canvas shoes
Navy Blue 'V' Neck Sweater	Should be plain with no commercial logos/College logo jumpers are available	Optional
Overcoats/Jackets	Should be plain black/navy blue with no writing or commercial logos on them Denim and leather coats are not part of The Leigh Academy uniform	Optional

ACADEMY PE UNIFORM – BOYS

Only available from SWI (Sportswear International Ltd)

Compulsory for all PE lessons

Polo Shirt	Black and White with College badge
Training Top	Black and White with College badge
Shorts	Black
Jogging Bottoms	Black
Trainers – Indoor	With non-marking soles

Compulsory for Winter/Cold Weather Sports

Football/Rugby	Black
Socks	
Football Boots – Outdoor	Must have safety studs – for rugby and football
Shin Guards	For football
Gum Shield	For certain sports - compulsory for rugby

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Suppliers Contact Details

Brigade: website - www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com, e-mail: sales@brigade.uk.com, tel: 024 7642 1083

Sportswear International Ltd: website: www.swi.co.uk, e-mail: sales@swi.co.uk, tel: 0845 519 0099

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Attenborough College
Post-16 Dress Code (2023-24)

As The Leigh Academy works in close partnership with the local community, business and industry and as Post-16 students are required to be role-models to younger students, Post-16 students must observe the dress code at all times on site, as part of PARADE Standards.

Appropriate Choices

- Suit (tailored jacket with tailored trousers, tailored skirt or tailored dress)
- Tailored trousers
- Tailored skirt
- Tailored dress
- Collared formal shirt and tie (this is compulsory for students who identify as male)
- Tailored blouses and tops that cover the majority of the shoulder (this is compulsory for students who identify as female, unless they are wearing a tailored dress)
- Leather formal shoes
- V-necked jumper, so that the tie is clearly visible, with no zip or fastening system
- Natural coloured hair
- Headscarves worn for religious or cultural reasons should be plain black or navy with no studs, sequins or other decoration.

Inappropriate Choices

- Denim garments
- Clothing with studded/riveted pockets
- Leather and leather-look garments
- Open-toed shoes (including sandals and flip-flops)
- Trainers (unless wearing them in a Performing Arts Acting or practical Sport lesson)
- Off the shoulder, halter neck and thin-strapped tops
- Hoodies
- Skirt/dress hemlines that are higher than the halfway point between the hip bone and the knee
- Exposed midriffs
- Bodycon garments
- Leggings
- Shorts
- Over-the-knee socks
- Unnatural coloured hair

BTEC Sport Students

In practical lessons, hair should be tied back and no jewellery should be worn. Students must wear sportswear, which should comprise of:

- Trainers
- Tracksuit bottoms
- A plain T-shirt
- Either a plain sweatshirt or a plain tracksuit jacket

BTEC Performing Arts Acting Students

In all lessons, hair should be tied back and no jewellery should be worn. Students must wear the accepted industry-standard rehearsal 'uniform', which should comprise of:

- Loose black top
- Loose black trousers (so they can move easily)
- Soft black shoes (eg jazz shoes or trainers)

Please note: Students who must wear different clothing (such as sportswear or blacks) for a subject-specific reason are asked to bring a change of clothing in for that purpose. When outside that lesson, normal business dress must be worn, including at arrival to and departure from the academy.

If any member of staff feels that an element of a student's appearance is inappropriate, we reserve the right to address the matter. For a first infringement, a warning will be issued, with a clear reminder of Dress Code. Upon a repeat infringement, we will send a student home to amend their appearance, preceded by a phone call home from a member of the Attenborough College Team.

All students must wear their Identity Card/Attenborough College lanyard. This card must be visible around the neck at all times. This is a legal requirement, not an academy rule.