

Littleover Community School



and Sixth Form Centre

LCS Uniform Policy Y7-11

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LITTLEOVER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Littleover Community School's dress code plays a key role in:

- promoting the ethos of our school
- providing a sense of belonging and identity
- setting an appropriate tone for education

The dress code set out in this policy is designed to be functional, practical, and appropriately formal for an educational setting. It also reflects health and safety requirements to support the safe and orderly operation of the school.

In November 2021, the Department for Education published statutory guidance for schools regarding the cost of school uniforms <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cost-of-school-uniforms/cost-of-school-uniforms>. Littleover Community School has reviewed this guidance, along with the non-statutory guidance for school uniforms <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-uniform> and the current cost of LCS uniform bought through the suppliers listed in this policy, to ensure that the cost of the LCS school uniform is reasonable and represents value for money. Some uniform items continue to have the LCS logo to help create an appropriate tone for education, promote the ethos of the school and to provide students with a sense of belonging and identity. Our uniform helps students to look smart and professional for school. We ask parents/carers to support our dress code.

Uniform items can be purchased from any of our 3 approved suppliers who have previously been through a tender process for this. LCS suppliers are:

Morley's: Tel: 01332 281311 Web: www.schoolwearsolutions.com

Uniform Direct: Tel: 01332 342569 Web: www.uniform-direct.com

Uniformity: Tel: 01332 677498 Web: www.uniformity.co.uk

Whilst LCS has the three uniform suppliers as listed above, LCS is conscious of the cost of school uniform for parents/carers and so will participate in second-hand uniform sales, where LCS availability of these items allow this. These will be based on items that are available, for example donated items, and details of any other sales will be shared with parents/carers via school communications, such as emails and social media. If a parent/carer has any queries regarding second-hand uniform they should email ppay@littleover.derby.sch.uk LCS also recommends that parents/carers consider reviewing the uniform suppliers' websites or contacting suppliers directly to enquire about second-hand uniform, donating of items and whether 'swap shops' are available. Any supplier selling LCS uniform other than the three listed above is not authorised and therefore the quality or accuracy cannot be guaranteed.

UNIFORM ITEMS

White school polo shirt with LCS logo	
Black school sweatshirt with LCS logo	
Plain black trousers in formal style	Trousers should be of a formal/tailored style and ankle length. <i>(Please refer to pictures for examples)</i>
Plain black straight or pleated skirt, which should reach the knees or below when standing.	Black only – please refer to the pictures on the following pages to determine formal style.
Plain grey, black or white socks	
Plain black school shoes	Heels must not exceed 1 inch in height. Boots, plimsolls/open-toe shoes or trainers are not allowed.

All clothing should be clearly marked with the student's name

PHYSICAL EDUCATION ITEMS	
Sport Polo with LCS logo OR Long sleeve sport/rugby shirt with LCS logo	Head coverings worn for religious reasons in PE must be close fitting in the style of a balaclava.
Red long sleeve base layer top	<i>Optional (recommended during cold weather with Sport Polo)</i>
Black** tracksuit bottoms	<i>Optional (recommended during cold weather).</i>
Plain black** football shorts	
Plain red knee length socks	
Trainers with cushioned soles that will not mark the Sports Hall floor	Trainers used for indoor lessons must be clean.
Football boots and shin pads for boys	<i>Optional for girls.</i>
Gum shields	<i>Optional. Students should seek advice from their dentist.</i>
Jewellery to be removed for PE.	
SPECIALIST ITEMS	
Apron	For Technology*, Art and Food Technology
(*For safety reasons, strong shoes that protect the whole foot must be worn in the workshops)	

Please note that in PE, students may have either the Sport polo OR the Long-sleeve sport/rugby shirt. They are not required to have both.

**** From September 2024 Year 7 and any new students to LCS will be expected to have black tracksuit bottoms or shorts for PE. Existing students may continue to wear navy, however, if replacement navy tracksuit bottoms or shorts items are needed these should be replaced in black.**

THE FOLLOWING RULES APPLY AT ALL TIMES

- The LCS logo on the polo-shirt and jumper must be visible at all times in the classroom.
- Religious symbols such as a small cross or crucifix on a thin chain, or a lightweight Kara are permitted for religious reasons. Chains should not be on show and should be worn underneath the polo-shirt.
- One plain wrist band/bracelet only may be worn on each wrist.
- Rings should not be worn.
- Earrings are not allowed, except for one simple, small stud per ear. No other body piercings are permitted; this includes nose piercings, nose retainers or plasters to conceal nose studs.
- Extreme hairstyles are not acceptable. This includes the use of bright or unnatural colours, shaved heads, or patterns/lines shaved into hair or eyebrows.
- Make-up is not allowed.
- False eyelashes are not allowed.
- Nail varnish is not allowed.
- Acrylic nails are not allowed.
- Translucent pimple patches are permitted; however, customised or coloured shapes are not permitted.
- Students who cycle to school must wear an appropriate safety helmet.
- Headgear worn for religious reasons, or as protection against the sun during hot weather, must be plain in colour.
- Outdoor coats and bags must not carry offensive or divisive symbols or slogans.
- Garments covering the face, e.g. balaclavas, neck warmers or veils, should not be worn.
- Outdoor clothing e.g. coats, scarves, gloves, lightweight jackets and hoodies should not be worn in lessons. **Hoodies and sweatshirts are not to be used instead of the black school sweatshirt.**

Students will be instructed to remove any items listed above. Failure to do this will result in escalation of sanction as per the behaviour policy and treated as a deliberate choice to ignore a reasonable school instruction.

Items that are found to repeatedly breach the rules above will be confiscated. Parents and carers will be able to collect the items from reception at a time arranged with a member of LCS staff.

Trousers

Trousers should be smart, formal and ankle length. They should be black (not denim, nor tracksuit bottoms). **Leggings are not allowed.**

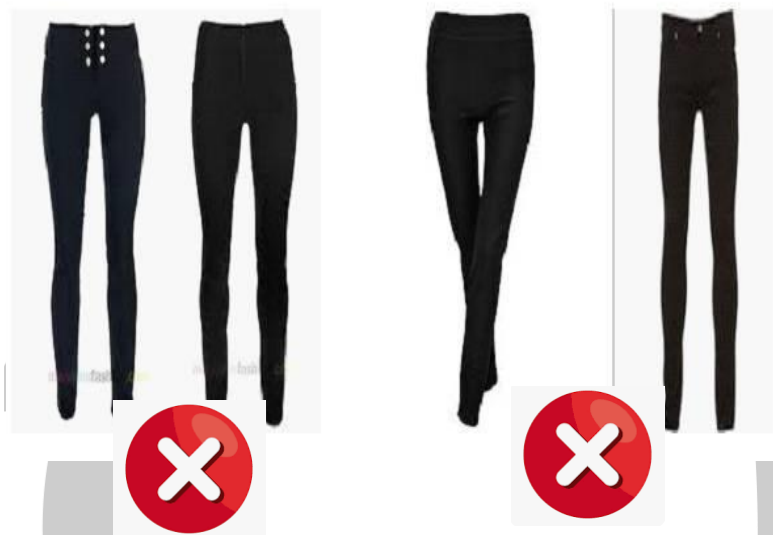
Picture A
Acceptable

ACCEPTABLE TROUSERS



Picture B

UNACCEPTABLE TROUSERS



Unacceptable

Skirts

Skirts should be black (not denim), as shown in the pictures below.





NON-COMPLIANCE

Any student not comply with the LCS school uniform will be subject to sanctions as detailed in the LCS Behaviour Policy, this can be found on the LCS website

https://www.littleover.derby.sch.uk/content/policies/files/behaviour_policy.pdf

SUPPORT

The school will have some supplies of clean, second-hand uniform to ensure that students can access the correct uniform, and any issues are resolved quickly. Refusal to use this resource will be treated as a deliberate choice to ignore a reasonable school instruction. See non-compliance above.

COMPLAINTS

If you wish to make a complaint about the LCS Uniform policy, please follow the LCS Complaints Policy which can be found on the LCS website

https://www.littleover.derby.sch.uk/content/policies/files/complaints_policy.pdf