DRESS CODE FOR STUDENTS Years 7 - 11

At Sir Geoffrey Leigh Academy, we uphold high expectations and standards for our uniform as it reflects our commitment to excellence, respect, and pride in our school community. It is the greatest equaliser and provides equity.

These expectations are non-negotiable and we expect parents/ carers to support so that standards are upheld.

In the event of non-adherence to the dress code expectations, the Academy will seek to source temporary replacements. However, if this is not possible, the student will be removed from lessons until the matter is rectified. Uniform infringements are sanctioned with a 30 minute detention. Repeated infringements will lead to a 60 minute detention. Below is a summary of our standards and expectations:

Appearance expectations:

- Students must wear full Academy uniform and maintain a smart and sensible appearance.
- NO extreme hairstyles (e.g. mohicans, tram lines, shaved shapes, unnatural colours).
- NO shaved eyebrows.
- NO tinted/cosmetic contact lenses, decorative dental wear, false eyelashes.
- NO painted, false nails (acrylic/gel).
- NO make-up your child will be expected to remove it.

Headwear and accessories:

- Smart watches must be in 'flight mode' and not connected to devices where notifications are received whilst on site during the academy day. Students must adhere to the 'on site, out of site' rule with digital devices.
- NO bandanas, durags, hoods, caps, or hats (These will be confiscated).
- NO hair accessories/bows
- Religious/cultural headscarves must be plain black or navy with no decoration.

Jewellery:

- Only one pair of very small stud earrings, one in each lobe, no bigger than 3 mm, no hoops, or larger decorative earrings are permitted.
- NO tongue, eye, belly or nose studs/rings are allowed
- NO necklaces/bracelets except discreet religious chains (with approval).
- NO rings allowed

Jewellery which is not in line with these expectations may be confiscated until the end of the day. The Academy is not responsible for lost jewellery.

Bags:

Must fit an A4 folder, PE kit, and Chromebook

Labelling:

• All uniform items must be named using labels or a permanent pen.

Financial assistance:

• Funding may be available for uniforms; contact the college team if needed.

Consequences for non-compliance:

- Each college has a selection of temporary academy loan uniform items until a replacement that meets the academy dress code is provided by parents/carers.
- Students will work in a supervised 'exit room' or reflection room for the remainder of that day or until their uniform is corrected.
- Repeated failure to comply may follow behaviour policy procedures.
- Students not in the correct uniform will be removed from lessons and may be sent home (with parental permission).

ACADEMY UNIFORM - GIRLS

Navy Blue Blazer	With Sir Geoffrey Leigh Academy badge on breast pocket Compulsor	
Navy Blue Pleated Skirt	Minimum skirt length = knee length Maximum skirt length = calf length Black Lycra Tights Or black socks	Compulsory
Plain Black Tailored Trousers	With black socks NO Flares, bootleggers, hipsters or lycra style trousers	Compulsory
White Shirt OR White Blouse	With College Tie With College logo	Compulsory Optional
FORMAL BLACK LEATHER shoes. Flat and sensible for everyday wear	Maximum height = 3 cms (1 inch) NO shoe may be above the ankle bone NO trainer-looking shoes (branded or not)	Compulsory
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 (NO writing or commercial logos on them, NO denim or leather coats)	Optional

ACADEMY UNIFORM - BOYS

Navy Blue Blazer	With Sir Geoffrey Leigh Academy badge on breast pocket	Compulsory
Black Plain Tailored Trousers (worn at the waist)	NO jeans, cargos or skinny jeans	Compulsory
White Shirt	Long or short sleeves	Compulsory
College Tie		Compulsory
Plain Socks	Black	Compulsory
FORMAL BLACK LEATHER shoes. Flat and sensible for everyday wear Maximum height = 3 cms (1 inch) NO shoe may be above the ankle bone NO trainer-looking shoes (branded or not)		Compulsory
Navy Blue 'V' Neck Sweater	Should be plain with no commercial	Optional

	logos/College logo jumpers are available	
Overcoats/Jackets	Should be plain black/navy blue (NO writing or commercial logos on them, NO denim or leather coats)	Optional





ACADEMY PE UNIFORM - BOYS & GIRLS

Compulsory for all PE lessons

Polo Shirt	Black and White with College badge	
Training Top/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 - (No need to purchase until the Winter)		
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	

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Suppliers Contact Details

Brigade

Website: www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com

E-mail: sales@brigade.uk.com

Tel: 024 7642 1083

• TFS School & Dancewear Website: https://www.tfsclothing.co.uk/ E-mail: enquiries@tfsclothing.co.uk

Address: TFS Retail Ltd 45 Spital Street Dartford Kent DA1 2DX

Tel: 01322 291838

Post 16: Attenborough College Dress Code

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As Sir Geoffrey 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.

It is compulsory for students to wear:

- A suit/tailored jacket
- Smart/office-appropriate trousers/skirt/dress
- Collared formal shirt and tie or tailored/office-appropriate blouses that cover the shoulder (unless wearing a dress)
- Leather/leather-look formal shoes
- Natural coloured hair

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

Optional

- Formal jumper that would not cover a tie
- Fitted cardigan
- Outer fleeces and coats

These must not be worn instead of a tailored jacket

Students must not wear the following:

- Denim garments (including jeans)
- Polo shirts/casual T-shirts
- Chinos and trousers not deemed office-appropriate
- Clothing with studded/riveted pockets
- Leather and leather-look garments
- Open-toed shoes (including sandals and flip-flops)
- Ugg boots or similar
- Crocs
- Trainers (unless wearing them in a Performing Arts Acting or practical Sport lesson)
- Off the shoulder, cropped, strapless, halter neck and thin-strapped tops
- Hoodies
- Loungewear
- Garments with large logos or images
- Skirt/dress hemlines that are higher than the halfway point between the hip bone and the knee
- Exposed midriffs
- Bodycon garments
- Leggings
- Shorts/skorts
- Over-the-knee socks
- Unnatural coloured hair
- Headwear such as hats or durags (unless of religious significance, ie hijab)

Earpods/earphones or headphones must not be worn around the building.

BTEC Sport Students

In <u>practical</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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)

Jewellery

Sir Geoffrey Leigh Academy is not responsible for the loss of any jewellery.

- Students are permitted to wear small stud earrings and a watch.
- Tongue, eye and nose studs or rings are not permitted.
- Necklaces, including those with religious symbols, may be worn discreetly.
- Students' nails are to remain natural and of an appropriate, professional length.
- No false eyelashes are allowed.
- Students will be asked to remove any prohibited items.

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

If students need their uniform modified for a medical reason (ie trainers), this will be subject to approval. Dresscode passes will be issued temporarily and evidence may be required. If students are granted a trainer pass for a period of more than two weeks, these must be black with no obvious logos.

If any member of staff feels that an element of a student's appearance is inappropriate, we reserve the right to address the matter. Please see the Behaviour Policy for more information on sanctions regarding dress-code.