



NOTTINGHAM GIRLS' ACADEMY UNIFORM POLICY

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Nottingham Girls' Academy Uniform Policy

Expectations

The Academy has strict guidelines on uniform for years 7-11

We believe that wearing the Academy uniform gives our pupils a sense of 'belonging', helps pupils to take pride in themselves and the academy, and promotes equality.

Our pupils are our ambassadors in the community. We therefore expect pupils to wear full Academy uniform when travelling to and from the school, at all Academy functions, on extracurricular visits and when taking part in representative sport.

Pupils who arrive at the Academy inappropriately dressed will either be placed in isolation or sent home. If sent home, parents will be contacted first. All uniform items are required unless marked otherwise.

The uniform offer with Schoolwear Solutions is fantastic. They offer a click and collect to their shop at Chilwell, they can offer home delivery at a cost, and parents/carers can request to have their items dropped off at the Academy Reception (subject to availability). For further details see the flyer link below.

Our uniform policy and dress code have been drawn up in consultation with students, parents and staff.

Aims

A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students. Through our uniform and dress codes we aim to:

- Encourage pride in the Academy
- Support teaching and learning
- Enable students to be comfortable, safe and secure
- Ensure that students of different social, religious and ethnic groups feel welcome
- Encourage a sense of equality and cohesion
- Protect students from social pressures to dress in a particular way

Students will be expected to remove any items of jewellery which are not permitted. The Academy takes no responsibility for lost or stolen items.

What constitutes as 'appropriate' is down to the discretion of the Principal. The Principal's decision about all uniform issues is final and binding.

Uniform for Pupils at Key Stage 3 and 4

Mandatory items are jumper (purple for KS3 and black for KS4) and tie.

Uniform Item	Required Item	Stockist
Academy tie	Yes	Schoolwear Solutions
A traditional white shirt, which has a fastened top button and is tucked into trousers or a skirt	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Black trousers or skirt*	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Academy pullover, in purple for Key Stage 3 pupils and black for Key Stage 4 pupils, with the Academy logo. Other jumpers or sweatshirts are not permitted	Yes	Schoolwear Solutions
Trousers: Black or white socks (no logo) with black trousers	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Skirts: Black tights (with no socks) or plain black / plain white socks (no logos)	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Plain black shoes**	Yes	Any suitable retailer
A Shalwar Kameez or Abaya in Academy purple or black may be worn instead. This is acceptable as long as the Kameez is at least knee-length. Your Shalwar Kameez / Abaya must have the academy logo on the left (available to buy as an iron on transfer on ParentPay)		Any suitable retailer
Any religious hair coverings, e.g., hijabs (headscarves) or turbans, may be worn in Academy purple, black or grey. Please note that any full or partial face coverings or veils, e.g., niqabs (face veils with eyes visible) and burqas (face veil with eyes partially covered), are not permitted.		Any suitable retailer
Summer Uniform (optional) Pupils will be allowed to wear Summer Uniform from May half-term until the summer holiday each year.		

A traditional white shirt, which has a fastened top button and is tucked into trousers or a skirt	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Black trousers or knee-length black skirt or knee-length, tailored, plain black shorts or skorts***	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Academy tie (to be worn at all times) The Principal will make a decision during the school day if it is appropriate for pupils to remove their ties due to extreme heat	Yes	Schoolwear Solutions
Trousers: Black or white socks (no logo) with black trousers	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Skirts: Black tights (with no socks) or plain black / plain white socks (no logos)	Yes	Any suitable retailer
Academy pullover (optional)		Schoolwear Solutions
A plain black cap or hat for outside wear only (optional)		Any suitable retailer

*Skirts should be no shorter than knee-length and should not be fitted or a tight stretch material. Skater skirts are not suitable.

*Jeans or jean-style trousers, cords, 'hipster' or tight-fitting trousers are not appropriate.

*As a rule of thumb, trousers and skirts should be modest.

**Shoes should be laced, buckled or slip-on. Velcro is not permitted.

**Shoes should be water-resistant and able to take black shoe polish.

**For safety, shoes must have a flat sole or a heel of no more than 2cm.

***Tight fitting or lycra cycling style shorts are not permitted. An example of what is permitted is below

PE and dance kit for all years

Mandatory item is either the black polo short-sleeved shirt **OR** the black long-sleeved shirt

Uniform Item	Required Item	Stockist
Black plain generic tracksuit/jogging bottoms	Yes	Schoolwear Solutions / other suitable retailer
Black short-sleeved sports polo shirt with purple panels and the Academy logo	Yes (option a) *either option a or b	Schoolwear Solutions
Black long-sleeved reversible sports shirt with purple panels and the Academy logo	Yes (option b) *either option a or b	Schoolwear Solutions
Black long-sleeved technical fleece		Schoolwear Solutions
Suitable trainers or other PE footwear	Yes	Any suitable retailer
In addition, girls can order black shorts with the Academy logo on or generic plain black shorts		Schoolwear Solutions / other suitable retailer



Jewellery, Nails and Make-up

- We allow pupils to wear a stud earring in the lower lobe of each ear.
- Earrings must be no larger than 0.6mm in diameter.
- Dangling or hooped earrings are not permitted for safety reasons.
- All jewellery will need to be removed for physical activity in PE and Dance lessons.
- Additional earrings, stretchers, nose studs and other facial jewellery are not acceptable.
- Bracelets, bangles, and necklaces are also not permitted.
- Pupils may wear one ring on their finger.
- Nail varnish or false nails are not permitted.
- False eyelashes are not permitted.
- If make-up is noticeable, the pupil will be required to remove it.

Hair and Headwear

- Hair must be of a natural colour/tone. Styles should not be excessive and 'cuts' of any shape or design (in hair or eyebrows) are not acceptable.
- For their own safety, and that of fellow pupils, we ask that pupils tie shoulder length hair up for practical lessons.
- Caps are not allowed except for when it is summer uniform. Caps worn should be plain and only worn outside.
- Head scarves should be plain grey, black, or purple.

Coats and Bags

- All pupils should have a warm and waterproof coat for the journey to and from the Academy and between classroom blocks.
- Denim and leather jackets are not permitted.
- Pupils must wear their coat on top of their academy pullover, not as a substitute for it.
- Pupils are expected to carry a suitable school bag which is large enough to carry their equipment, books, and PE/dance kit. We recommend rucksack style bags.

No tattoos are permitted in school.

Cost of Uniform

We want to ensure that the cost of uniform does not deter anyone from applying to the school, nor leads to students feeling socially excluded or unable to afford other necessities. All regulation items provided by Schoolwear solutions compare very favourably with other providers. **We only have 3 mandatory items, the academy jumper, the academy tie and the academy PE/Dance t shirt or long sleeved top.**

Parents who are unable to provide their child with the required items of school uniform should contact the school. Such approaches will be handled with discretion and sensitivity.

The uniform suppliers, costs and quality of the uniform are reviewed annually to ensure that parents are provided with good quality clothing at an affordable price.

There is also the option to purchase pre loved uniform from the school; please contact Mrs Brown via admin@nottinghamgirlsacademy for further information.

Enforcement of the Uniform Policy

It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that their child comes to school in the correct uniform. All staff are responsible for monitoring uniform and enforcing the policy. Any student who does not comply with the uniform expectations will be challenged about this. Infringements will lead to disciplinary action in line with our behaviour policy, this may include: behaviour points, being loaned appropriate items to wear instead, items being confiscated, being isolated from lessons until the situation has been resolved.

Issues Arising from the Policy

Parents should raise any issues relating to school uniform, dress codes or other aspects of appearance with the Principal. Requests to vary the uniform requirements for particular reasons, such as medical or SEND needs, will always be carefully considered. If students have any issues, they may request that uniform matters, including proposals for change, be put onto the agenda of School Council (Parliament) meetings.

Policy Reviews

Our uniform regulations are reviewed regularly and parents, pupils and staff will be consulted; the review includes consideration of uniform items, supply, cost and value for money.

Links to support this policy

- Link to the uniform page on our website [Nottingham Girls' Academy - Uniform](#)

- Nottingham Girls' Academy uniform provider
<https://www.nottinghamgirlsacademy.org/attachments/download.asp?file=239&type=pdf>
- Link to the Schoolwear solution website www.schoolwearsolutions.com
- Link to the Academy Behaviour Policy [Nottingham Girls' Academy Behaviour Policy](#)