



Weldon Village
Academy

Uniform Policy

The following Policy takes into consideration The DfE non statutory guidance on School Uniforms (November 2021)

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3	4	Academy long sleeved zip PE top becomes compulsory	28/01/26
3	5	Sports shorts, tracksuits or leggings no longer branded. Removal of skort from uniform	28/01/26
3	5	Update to 5 logoed uniform items, down from 7	28/01/26

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1 Purpose

To promote inclusion and engagement with the school, students will be required to wear uniform items for day-to-day wear as well as in some subjects, such as physical education.

2 Application

We hold a high level of expectation regarding uniform to help instil pride and support the school's ethos. In the light of quickly changing fashions the school reserves the right to review the uniform to maintain consistency and high standards at any point. The uniform is reviewed fully by the Principal, in consultation with the Academy Council on an annual basis.

Uniform can be checked and challenged by any member of staff, but it is expected that the form tutor works with their tutees to ensure a high standard is reached and maintained.

The below, outlines the uniform requirements at WVA. Students and parents/carers should also read the 'Associated Guidance' on uniform which provides additional details on the way the uniform should be worn and how students should present themselves.

3 Uniform Requirements

All of the uniform to be worn by students in Years 7 to 11 is available to be purchased from [KS School Wear](#). The Kettering store is open six days a week for students to be able try on uniform before ordering.

Compulsory for all Years 7-11

Jumper - Navy V-necked with the school logo. Jumpers are compulsory throughout the school year and should be worn at all times including break and lunchtimes and to and from school. During lessons, members of staff may allow them to be removed.

Not acceptable: Hoodies. Hoodies worn onsite will be confiscated.

Trousers - Plain dark grey, full length, suit style trousers. Trousers must be worn at the waist and not below.

Not acceptable: leggings, jeans, jeans or denim style, chinos, or cropped (short) trousers.

Shorts - Plain dark grey, knee length, suit style shorts may be worn in hot weather in place of full-length trousers.

Skirt - Academy pleated skirt worn at knee length. No other types of skirt are acceptable.

Shirt - Plain white collared shirt or blouse, long or short-sleeved, button-through with pointed collar (to be worn tucked in and fastened at neck).

Tie - Academy clip on tie with the school logo.

Shoes - Formal plain black shoes, leather or leather-look, with low heels. Shoes and laces must be black. Not acceptable: trainers, trainer style footwear, sports style footwear or plimsolls, sandals, boots or steel-tipped shoes. Shoes should be worn to and from school and around the school site unless a sporting activity is being undertaken. Boots may be worn to and from school for safety reasons in extreme weather but must be changed for school shoes within the buildings.

Socks - Plain black or black tights. Students should not come to the school without socks or tights.

Coats and Jackets (optional) - Outdoor coats should be of a dark colour and may be worn to and from school and at break and lunch times. Coats do not replace jumpers: they should be worn over the jumper. They should be left in lockers during the school day for safe keeping.

Hats, Gloves and Scarves - These may be worn to and from school in cold weather. All items are to be removed once entering the school premises for morning registration. Hats, gloves and scarves may be worn during break and lunch times when weather appropriate but not in lessons. Head scarves may be worn for religious reasons.

Belts - Black with a small, traditional buckle, worn threaded through trouser loops. Not acceptable: Coloured or wide belts. Large or decorative buckles.

Hair - Hair should be tidy and of reasonable appearance. Hair colour must be natural-looking. Hair accessories should be plain, small and unobtrusive in colour and style. Not acceptable: Extremes of hair colour (any colour that could not be natural). Extremes of hair style. Patterns or logos shaved into the hair.

Jewellery - For reasons of smart appearance, and to comply with health and safety rules, only a watch, one ring and two pairs of stud earrings are allowed. Not acceptable: Any other form of face or body piercing or jewellery. Excess jewellery will be confiscated and may be collected by arrangement. Note: No jewellery at all may be worn during PE.

Makeup - Discreet, natural-looking, make up only will be allowed. Not acceptable: Nail varnish or bright lipstick. False nails. False eyelashes. Excess make-up will need to be removed.

Physical Education

PE Polo Shirt (compulsory) - Navy with the school logo.

Academy Long Sleeved Zip Top (compulsory) – Navy with the school logo.

Sports Shorts, Training Trousers or Leggings – Plain navy.

Sports Socks – Plain navy knee-length.

For the avoidance of doubt, parents may refer to the images of acceptable uniform on the KS School Wear website.

If students cannot practically participate in their PE lessons, they are still required to get changed into their PE kit. This will allow them to participate as a coach or official, focusing on their knowledge and understanding.

4 Maintaining Standards

If students are not in full, correct uniform they can expect one or a combination of the below to be applied:

- On most occasions it may be possible to loan a student an item of clean uniform which must be returned by the following day. If a student refuses this item, they will be subject to isolation from free time and lessons.
- A break and lunch time detention with the form tutor will be sanctioned.
- Prohibited items will be subject to confiscation.
- On occasions the student may not be able to attend lessons, working in a designated area until the correct uniform is brought to them if possible, or until the uniform is corrected.
- The student may be sent home to change with prior consent from parents.

5 Exemptions

Religious or complex medical needs that require an alteration of uniform should be discussed with the Academy in the first instance.

Transgender Guidance can be considered as appropriate.

6 Implementing Statutory Law on School Uniform Costs

Weldon Village Academy follows all the Statutory Law from the government on school uniform. This includes:

- As the school grows, we plan to offer good quality second-hand uniform sales.
- WVA has 5 logoed items in line with guidelines (School jumper, Tie, Skirt, PE polo shirt, PE long sleeved zip top).
- We review our uniform policy annually.