UNIVERSITY ACADEMY LONG SUTTON



The University Academy Long Sutton

Principal: Liam Davé B.Sc. (Hons.)

Uniform Policy

Adopted by The University Academy Long Sutton Governing Committee: September 2025

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Aims

University Academy Long Sutton requires all its learners to wear a uniform. We believe that the wearing of a uniform gives a sense of community and can instil pride in the Academy.

It is important that parents/carers support the Academy by ensuring that their child(ren) is provided with the appropriate and correct uniform. It is important that our learners wear the uniform correctly.

We believe that the wearing of our uniform contributes to our ethos and sets an appropriate tone, supporting positive behaviour and discipline.

Respecting the Uniform Policy allows for all learners to arrive at the Academy and to access their learning without any negativity or barriers. It prevents time being wasted for all concerned, at home/work and in the Academy, and learning being missed. It also prepares learners for the world of work where they will need to follow guidelines on appropriate clothing, and supports them in how to dress appropriately with a smart attire.

Our uniform has been developed with consideration given to the costs and availability of the required items.

Communication with Parents/Carers

The Academy uniform details can be found on the website and details can also be found in the Pupil Planner.

Equal Opportunities

We will seek to make appropriate arrangements to reflect the requirements of different religious faiths with regards to acceptable variations of the Academy uniform.

If any parent/carer has any concerns before admission to the Academy they are welcome to contact the Principal to discuss these.

Academy Uniform

The Academy uniform is provided by Rob Horspool, Design and Embroidery.

Some uniform items can be purchased from a range of outlets at very reasonable prices. The purchase of these should not be delayed until the end of August as the majority of shops reduce their stock at the end of the summer break and hold a very limited choice until the summer months.

Blazers, jumpers and the PE kit can be purchased on line via Rob Horspool, Design and Embroidery's website. Details can also be accessed via the Academy website.

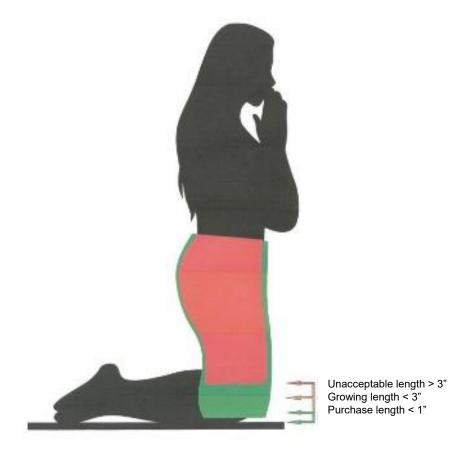
During term time any orders that are placed can be delivered to the Academy ready for your child(ren) to collect.

During the summer holidays it is particularly important that orders for clothing ready for September are made in good time to ensure that the full uniform is ready for the start of the new term. A uniform list is issued to all Year 6 pupils in June before they begin in September.

The uniform is as follows:

Blazer	With Academy logo. This must be worn at all times in the Academy buildings unless directed otherwise by members of staff.			
White Shirt	Must be worn and the top button done up. Shirts must be tucked in at all times.			
Academy Tie	Must be worn correctly with six stripes visible.			
Black Jumper	With Academy logo and no other visible logo. The wearing of jumpers is completely optional, however should not be tucked into trousers or skirts.			
Black Trousers or Skirt	Skirt should no shorter than 3" above knee length (see diagram below). No tube skirts. Pupils are expected to wear appropriate black trousers which does not include fitted/fashion trousers i.e. skinny fit jeans/trousers which are tapered at the ankle nor are leggings allowed. Trousers with buttons down the front, motifs, gems, fashion labels or wording are not permissible.			
Shoes	Must be plain black, smart office type with no motifs, coloured stitching or coloured/reflective areas. Training shoes, boots, plimsolls, casual shoes and pumps are not permitted footwear even if they are black. Backless, suede or cloth footwear is not allowed because it presents a potential Health and Safety risk.			
Socks/Tights	Socks must be either ankle or knee length (i.e. just below the knee), plain black or white and tights must be black, natural, plain and not patterned. Coloured, frilled or over the knee socks are not allowed.			
Belts	Can be worn but they must be plain black with no studs or decoration. Clothing made from denim and corduroy, including jeans, is not permitted in the Academy.			
Jewellery	Wristwatches are allowed as are one pair of stud earrings with one stud per ear lobe, a necklace inside the shirt and a flat ring. No other jewellery or body piercings will be permitted. The rationale behind these decisions concerns safety and security.			
Hair Colour	Should be natural, no bright colours, no stripes or patches and no bandanas. Hair should be no shorter than Grade 1 on the top of the head, skinfades are acceptable.			
Nails	Varnish and false nails are not permitted to be worn in the Academy.			

Skirt Length Guide:



Subject Specialist Clothing

Lab coats must be worn for Art, Science and Joinery – these are provided by the Academy.

Academy shorts, t-shirt and fleece must be worn in Sport.

PE KIT

In PE pupils should bring their PE kit to every lesson even if they are unwell to participate as a performer. Pupils who are excused on medical grounds need to hand in their note to their PE teacher and continue to get changed. These pupils will then be given other roles such as coaching or officiating. The University Academy Long Sutton PE kit is compulsory and consists of:

Boys

University Academy Long Sutton: UALS Polo shirt

UALS shorts or tracksuit bottoms

black football socks

Girls

University Academy Long Sutton: UALS Polo shirt

UALS shorts / tracksuit bottoms / skort / sports leggings

black football socks

Optional items for boys and girls

University Academy Long Sutton: tracksuit top

The above items (except the black socks) are available from Rob Horspool, Design and Embroidery.

Advisory - due to the nature of the sport: Mouth guard -rugby/hockey

Shin guards - football/hockey

Football boots

Pupils should leave valuables in their lockers where possible.

Footwear Trainers need to be clean and supportive; therefore, plimsolls and fashion shoes will not

be permitted. Pupils are advised to wear a studded boot for activities such as football

and rugby.

Jewellery Taping over earrings is no longer a sufficient practice as it does not effectively prevent

injury, particularly impact injuries; therefore all jewellery must be removed.

We are proud of our Academy uniform and ask parents/carers to ensure that only the uniform as described in this Policy is worn by pupils. Any changes to this list will be notified to parents/carers in writing and by no other means. If your child says that a change has taken place, please check before embarking on needless expense. This appears to be particularly necessary in the case of trainers, which are not allowed as normal footwear. We expect pupils to take pride in their appearance and to prepare themselves for the professional world by dressing in a smart manner.

Marking of property

It is advisable that all clothing is clearly marked with your child's name.

Non-Uniform Days

Occasionally the Academy organises days when pupils are invited to attend out of their usual uniform. This may also be the case for some external visits.

On these days the Academy expects the following to be observed:

- Shorts and skirts must be of a suitable length that does not reveal too much of the thigh.
- No clothing should be worn that reveals underwear or cleavage.
- Clothes must not reveal the midriff.
- Any slogans, text or images on clothing must not cause offence.
- > Hair must remain a natural colour.
- Hats and caps must be removed during lessons.
- The expectations regarding the wearing of jewellery, false nails and piercings must be adhered to
- No ripped jeans

Procedure in the Event of Non-Compliance

Non-compliance with the Uniform Policy will be addressed on an individual basis with the Year Team responsible for any initial sanction. Persistent flouting of the uniform requirements will be dealt with as a disciplinary matter by the Learning Coordinator/Assistant Learning Coordinator in the first instance.

We may ask that parents/carers bring in the appropriate item(s) of clothing to the Academy. In some instances, a learner will be withdrawn from their usual classes if they have failed to adhere to the Policy or if there is persistent flouting of the expectations.

A Suspension may be imposed if the flouting of the Policy is persistent and defiant.

Parents/carers may be invited to the Academy to discuss any issues.

Signed by:			>	(Chair of Governors)
Date:	7/18/2	2025.		