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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are continually focussing on developing all of our students' skills and abilities; one of these skills is to become a self-manager.

We believe that it is an essential part of the ethos and discipline structure that all students in Years 7 to 11 manage the way in which they present themselves and comply with the school uniform requirements. We are very proud of our community at Wigston Academy and want all our young people to show that they are too, by wearing our uniform with pride.

We have noticed that some students are not complying with our expectations in terms of uniform and it would be greatly appreciated if you would support us by ensuring your child adheres to the school's uniform policy. Specifically, with the types of trousers students are choosing to wear, please be aware that we do not allow students to wear jeans, chinos or leggings to school; we also expect students that wish to wear skirts to adhere to the policy of traditional knee length, we do not allow students to wear lycra or figure hugging skirts. I attach our Uniform Policy for further reference.

We are aware that most families will choose to renew uniform and equipment for their children during a school holiday. For this reason, we are taking this opportunity to highlight these matters now so that you have time to purchase any items required. Please get in touch if this presents any financial challenges for your family as we may be able to agree a reasonable approach that takes your particular circumstances into account.

I will speak to all of our students about these issues in our assemblies in the final week of this term. In this way, I am hoping that everyone will be absolutely clear about our expectations and that this will avoid any unnecessary conflict at the start of the new term. Here at Wigston Academy we strongly believe in the idea of 'Dress for Success', therefore we need to ensure that our expectations are clearly communicated and respected by all the students in our community.

With thanks in anticipation of your support in these areas.

Yours faithfully,

Mr P Leatherland
Vice Principal Behaviour, Inclusion & Rewards



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Wigston Academy Uniform

The uniform is part of our school ethos. In coming to Wigston Academy, parents and carers agree to support our policy. In line with our code of conduct, it is expected that pupils will dress smartly and take pride in their appearance and we would ask you to support the school in ensuring that your child is correctly dressed in uniform. Uniform must be worn at all times, including the journey to and from school. There may be special fund-raising non-uniform days, but these will be made clear in advance. Pupils on day trips and visits will be expected to wear uniform unless they are told otherwise. Our uniform is practical, looks smart and is designed with health and safety in mind.

Boys	Girls
Black traditional blazer with school badge Plain black trousers Plain white shirt with collar Wigston Academy clip-on tie Plain black V-neck jumper Plain black footwear – see guidance Plain white, grey or black socks	Black traditional blazer with school badge Plain black trousers or plain black knee-length skirt Plain white blouse with collar Wigston Academy clip-on tie Plain black V-neck jumper Plain black footwear – see guidance Plain white, grey or black socks or plain natural skin tone or plain black tights

Trousers:

Trousers are to be tailored and of a traditional style, made of standard school trouser fabric. The following are not allowed: jeans, denim trousers, trousers with rivets, trousers with low waist, trousers which are tight on the legs, leggings, trousers which are not full length, trousers which follow a current trend, cords, culottes, ski pants, trousers with large buckles, frills or fashion accessories.

Skirts:

Skirts are to be knee-length, of a traditional style and made of standard school skirt fabric. The following are not allowed: lycra skirts, netted skirts, denim skirts, tight skirts, skirts with any patterns, skirts with rivets or frills or skirts which follow a current trend.

Shirts/blouses:

Shirts and blouses are to be plain white with no logos, frills or decoration. Polo shirts are not allowed. Shirts and blouses are to be worn tucked in with no visible T-shirts underneath and sleeves rolled down. Blouses must be of a suitable style to be worn with the school tie.

Jumpers:

These should be wool, cotton or blend. The following are not allowed: sweat shirts or items made from sweat shirt material, cardigans, items with zips or logos and vest tops.

Footwear (no boots)

These must be plain black, low-heeled footwear which cover the instep of the foot and suitable for school. This does not include any of the following: pumps, plimsolls, ballet-style shoes, shoes with high heels (more than 4cm), shoes with any marking or logo, sling-back or backless shoes, open-toe sandals or strappy sandals. Laces are to be black.

Coats:

An additional coat will be needed according to the weather. Coats must not be worn in school during lessons or change overs. Hooded tops may be worn as a coat over the top of blazers but not underneath.

Jewellery:

The only jewellery that is allowed is a single pair of small stud earrings. Pupils are not allowed to wear any type of jewellery whilst on school premises. Any other piercings are not acceptable.

Although wrist watches are allowed in most lessons, these have to remain the responsibility of the pupils. Smart watches are not permitted.

Make up:

It should be discreet and natural. Nail varnish or false nails are not allowed.

Hair colour and styles:

Hairstyles should be reasonable and appropriate for being in a learning environment at school. Colouring is only allowed if it is of a single normal hair colour, although natural-colour highlights are acceptable. (No bright colours). Patterns, Mohicans, logos, coloured braiding, shaved patterns and tramlines are not permitted.

Any item of clothing or accessory which may cause health and safety problems will not be permitted.