



LAGAN COLLEGE BELFAST

Uniform Policy

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RELATED DOCUMENTS

1. DENI Circular 2011/04 – Guidance to School on School Uniform policy
2. Safeguarding Policy
3. Anti-Bullying Policy
4. Positive Behaviour Policy
5. Relationship and Sexuality Education Policy

INTRODUCTION

Uniform is the outward identity of our school and the means by which our pupils are distinguished in the wider community. The wearing of the Lagan College uniform supports our commitment to be one community based on our mission statement, ***‘that they be one’***, which embodies the school values of equality, respect, reconciliation and service to others.

We believe that our school uniform can play a valuable role by: setting an appropriate tone; instilling pride; supporting positive behaviour; encouraging identity with, and support for, the school ethos; ensuring pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protecting children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and, nurturing cohesion and promoting good relations between different groups of pupils. It is important, therefore that students have a pride in wearing it smartly, neatly and correctly.

Exceptions to the policy may be made on the grounds of religion, race or medical conditions. All exceptional requests will require a letter to the Board of Governors.

STUDENT UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

The College Student Expectations set out clear the standard expected by all students in regard to uniform. The Student Expectations state:

WE WEAR OUR UNIFORM CORRECTLY AND WITH PRIDE:

- We will wear our full school uniform correctly and with pride
- We will quickly change any items of uniform or appearance that are not correct.
- Our hair length, style and colour will be in line with our school uniform policy
- We will wear only one pair of earrings and no other piercings.

Additionally, at Lagan College, students must:

- Wear full school uniform which includes blazer in and around school, for all school occasions and journeys to and from school and home.
- Ensure all items/articles of clothing are clearly marked with the owner's name.
- Ensure school bags are plain and practical for use.
- Only wear trainers **for PE lessons** or if there is an injury covered by a medical certificate.
- No chew gum as it is not permitted in or around school.

While partaking in PE Lessons:

- Students are encouraged to use gum shields whilst partaking in College sports.
- PE uniform can be worn travelling home from school if the student has the subject last period or is attending an after school activity.

While undertaking Public examinations:

- Students must wear full school uniform
- Student must adhere to school policy regarding hair, make-up and piercing.
- Please be aware the invigilators have the right to refuse entry to the exam hall, if the student is not appropriately attired.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ACCEPTANCE OF A PLACE IN THE COLLEGE REQUIRES ACCEPTANCE OF THE COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY.

Appropriate sanctions will be applied in accordance with the school positive behaviour policy if the school uniform is not worn correctly. **The Principal's decision on what is appropriate is final.**

Enquiries about uniform should be made through the Head of Year or the Head of School.

Year group	Head of Year		Head of School
Year 8	Ms M Bell	Mrs S Jones	Mrs L Grant
Year 9	Dr McConnell	Mr L Mathison	
Year 10	Mr R Gray	Miss K Wightman	
Year 11	Mrs B Hearty	Mr R Ritchie	Mrs L Mulholland
Year 12	Mrs M Mills	Miss F Smyth	
Year 13	Miss J Rogan		Mr S Hare
Year 14	Miss A Bell		

*During periods of extreme weather, the Principal will inform families of any changes to the uniform policy.

School Uniform Stockists

Robert's School Wear

24 Central Avenue
Bangor,
BT20 3AF

Tel: 028 9127 0516

C A Gowdy Ltd

121 Woodstock Road,
Belfast,
BT6 8AB

Tel: 028 9045 9052

Warnocks

791-792 Lisburn Road
Belfast,
BT9 7GX

Tel: 028 9038 1828

Littles

254-256 Woodstock Road
Belfast,
BT6 9DN

Tel: 028 9045 8372

Truly Fare

397 Ormeau Road
Belfast
BT7 3GQ

Tel: 02890 691347

Mobile: 07970288193

PE Uniform Stockists - Podium 4 Sport Ltd

40 Montgomery Road,
Castlereagh,
Belfast,
BT6 9HL

Tel: 02890 701 333

FAMILY SUPPORT FOR COLLEGE UNIFORM

Lagan College Uniform Recycling Shop

The College has a Uniform Recycling shop that will be available to parent(s)/carer(s) at the front of school from mid-June to August. Parents/carers are encouraged to use this facility to help protect the environment and reduce uniform costs for families.

Family Fund support

The College will support families in need, please contact our Bursar, Mrs M Mackey for further information.

Education Authority Uniform Grant

Information regarding EA uniform grants can be accessed at:

[Free School Meals / Uniform Grant Eligibility | Education Authority Northern Ireland \(eani.org.uk\)](https://www.eani.org.uk)

Lagan College Year 8 -10 Uniform

Uniform Item		Description	Uniform stockists
1	BLAZER	Black with school badge	Listed uniform stockists only
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved red and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie.	Any stockist *Listed uniform stockists only
3	TIE	School tie	Listed uniform stockists only
4	TROUSERS OR SKIRT	Black standard school trousers. OR Grey, A line skirt with centre pleat, worn on the knee.	Listed uniform stockists only
5	SWEATER OR CARDIGAN	Grey with school colours OR Plain grey Black LCB sweatshirt (Winter only - November – March)	Listed uniform stockists only Available directly from school.
6	SOCKS	Black only worn with trousers School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt	Listed uniform stockists only
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	
8	COAT	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn without any logos.	
9	HAT	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	
10	SCARF	A plain scarf OR Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only
11	SHOES	Plain black leather standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable.	

- **MAKE UP** should be natural and subtle
- **JEWELLERY:** One plain ring, a watch, Maximum one **pair** of small plain gold/silver studs may be worn in earlobes by those with pierced ears. No other piercings, including facial piercings, are permitted.
- Students will be **requested to move any piercing in line with Lagan College's uniform policy**. Please do not get any facial piercings during the school term as you **will** be asked to remove them. If students are unwilling to do so, then a parent will be requested to collect their child and arrange for the piercing to be removed.
- Students may wear clear plastic retainers only.
- **HAIR:** Natural hair colours only. Hair must be neat and off the face, with long hair tied back in school. Shaved heads (less than **No 2 haircut**) are not acceptable or patterns shaved onto heads.
Year 8 -10 should be clean shaved.
- **NAILS AND EYELASHES** should all be natural. Fake eyelashes, nail varnish and acrylic nails are **not** permitted.
- **BADGES:** Only school badges may be worn.

Lagan College Year 11-12 Uniform

Uniform Item		Description	Uniform stockists
1	BLAZER	Black with school badge	Listed uniform stockists only
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved red and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie.	Any stockist *Listed uniform stockists only
3	TIE	School tie	Listed uniform stockists only
4	TROUSERS OR SKIRT	Black standard school trousers. OR Grey, A line skirt with centre pleat, worn on the knee.	Listed uniform stockists only
5	SWEATER OR CARDIGAN	Black with school colours OR Plain black Black LCB sweatshirt (Winter only - November – March)	Listed uniform stockists only Available directly from school.
6	SOCKS	Black only worn with trousers School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt	Listed uniform stockists only
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	
8	COAT	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn without any logos.	
9	HAT	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	
10	SCARF	A plain scarf OR Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only
11	SHOES	Plain black leather standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable.	

- **MAKE UP** should be natural and subtle
- **JEWELLERY:** One plain ring, a watch, Maximum one **pair** of small plain gold/silver studs may be worn in earlobes by those with pierced ears. No other piercings, including facial piercings, are permitted.
- Students will be **requested to move any piercing in line with Lagan College’s uniform policy**. Please do not get any facial piercings during the school term as you **will** be asked to remove them. If students are unwilling to do so, then a parent will be requested to collect their child and arrange for the piercing to be removed.
- Students may wear clear plastic retainers only.
- **HAIR:** Natural hair colours only. Hair must be neat and off the face, with long hair tied back in school. Shaved heads (less than **No 2 haircut**) are not acceptable or patterns shaved onto heads. Year 8 -10 should be clean shaved.
- **NAILS AND EYELASHES** should all be natural. Fake eyelashes, nail varnish and acrylic nails are **not** permitted.
- **BADGES:** Only school badges may be worn.

Lagan College Sixth Form Uniform

Uniform Item		Description	Uniform stockists
1	BLAZER	Green with school badge	Listed uniform stockists only
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved green and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie.	Any stockist *Listed uniform stockists only
3	TIE	School tie	Listed uniform stockists only
4	TROUSERS OR SKIRT	Black standard school trousers. OR Grey, A line skirt with centre pleat, worn on the knee.	Listed uniform stockists only
5	SWEATER OR CARDIGAN	Green with school colours OR Plain green Green LCB sweatshirt (Winter only - November – March)	Listed uniform stockists only Available directly from school.
6	SOCKS	Black only worn with trousers School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt	Listed uniform stockists only
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	
8	COAT	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn without any logos.	
9	HAT	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	
10	SCARF	A plain black scarf OR Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only
11	SHOES	Plain black leather standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable.	

- **MAKE UP** should be natural and subtle
- **JEWELLERY:** One plain ring, a watch, Maximum one **pair** of small plain gold/silver studs may be worn in earlobes by those with pierced ears. No other piercings, including facial piercings, are permitted.
- Students will be **requested to move any piercing in line with Lagan College’s uniform policy**. Please do not get any facial piercings during the school term as you **will** be asked to remove them. If students are unwilling to do so, then a parent will be requested to collect their child and arrange for the piercing to be removed.
- Students may wear clear plastic retainers only.
- **HAIR:** Natural hair colours only. Hair must be neat and off the face, with long hair tied back in school. Shaved heads (less than **No 2 haircut**) are not acceptable or patterns shaved onto heads. Year 8 -10 should be clean shaved.
- **NAILS AND EYELASHES** should all be natural. Fake eyelashes, nail varnish and acrylic nails are **not** permitted.
- **BADGES:** Only school badges may be worn.

SHOES

Do wear	This excludes
<p>Plain black flat heeled leather school shoes. Brogue and black patent type shoes are acceptable.</p> <p>Students will require a medical note if specific footwear is needed.</p>	<p>Please note that high heels, flimsy pumps, canvas shoes, trainer type shoes, such as vans, converse or adidas or boots are not acceptable.</p> <p><u>Students who arrive with the wrong type of shoes will be asked to replace them.</u></p>
	
	
	
	
	

Lagan College PE Uniform

Uniform Item		Description		Uniform stockists
		BOYS	GIRLS	
1	PE T-shirt	LCB black T-shirt style top	LCB red and black V-neck style top	Podium Sports (See Stockist list for details)
		Students can choose between either style top		
2	PE Bottoms	Black shorts Black skinny track pants. Black tracksuit bottoms	Black skort Black leggings Black track suit bottoms	Any stockist
3	PE track top	LCB black hoodie or LCB black half- zip top	LCB red hoodie or LCB red half- zip top	Podium Sports
		Students can choose between either style or colour top		
4	Socks	Black	Red	Podium Sports
5	Shoes	Proper trainers	Proper trainers	Any stockist
6	Equipment	Shin guards Gum shield.	Hockey stick Shin guards Gum shield	Any stockist
7	<i>Desirable equipment</i>	<i>Football boots for activities on grass for example: football, Gaelic football and rugby.</i>	<i>Astro shoes for hockey</i>	Any stockist

Appendix 1: Student Learning Planner - Student Uniform List

Lagan College Uniform List

We wear:

BLAZER

Year 8 – 12

Black with school badge

Year 13 -14

Green with school badge

This excludes sports hoodies, over or under blazer

BADGES

Only school badges may be worn.

Students will be requested to remove any additional badges from their uniform

SHIRT/BLOUSE

Plain white, school shirt, tucked in at all times.

Only a white T-shirt or vest is permitted underneath.

A short sleeved striped blouse can be worn throughout the school year without a tie.

Year 8 – 12

Red and white stripes

Year 13 -14

Green and white stripes

This excludes an open necked shirt or coloured T-shirt or vest underneath.

We wear:

SWEATER/CARDIGAN

Junior school (Years 8, 9 and 10) grey with school colours.

A grey school cardigan is an option. This can only be a school style cardigan.

Senior school (Years 11 and 12) black with school colours.

A black school cardigan is an option. This can only be a school style cardigan.

Black LCB sweatshirt (Winter only - Nov – March)

Sixth Form (Year 13 and 14) green with school colours.

Alternately a green school cardigan is an option. This can only be a school style cardigan.

Green LCB sweatshirt (Winter only - Nov – March)

This excludes anything in sweatshirt style material, anything with a hood, zips or buttons, cardigans, not even under your blazer or on the way to and from school.

TIE

School tie, neatly knotted with top shirt button closed must be worn with the traditional school shirt.

The short sleeved red and white shirt does not require a tie.

This excludes school tie with top button undone.

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We wear:

SOCKS

Black only worn with trousers

School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt.

This excludes coloured/ patterned socks, white trainer socks

COAT

Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn without **any** logos.

This excludes coloured/ patterned coats

HAT

A plain hat is acceptable during severe weather only

HAIR

Natural hair colours only.

Hair must be neat and off the face. Hair should conform to current school regulations as announced in assemblies.

Long hair should be tied back in school colours for hygiene and safety reasons and to promote a positive image of the school.

Shaved heads (less than No 2 haircut) are not acceptable or patterns shaved onto heads.

This excludes no extreme hairstyles such as in colour, bleaching, spiking or with additions such as braids, extensions etc., are not appropriate for wearing with school uniform and will not be permitted.

Students will be sent home if not adhering to policy

MAKE UP

Natural, subtle, unobtrusive makeup.

Eyeshadow and contouring are not permitted. Fake eyelashes, nail varnish and acrylic nails are **not** permitted.

We wear:

TIGHTS (worn with skirt)

Plain black

This excludes patterned tights

SCARF

A plain black scarf

A regulation school scarf is available from the suppliers.

This excludes coloured/ patterned scarf

FACIAL HAIR

Year 13 and 14 only

Facial hair must be neat and groomed.

JEWELLERY

One plain ring and a watch.

Maximum one **pair** of small plain gold/silver studs may be worn in earlobes by those with pierced ears. Visible facial piercings are not permitted in school.

No other piercings are permitted. Students will be **requested to move any piercing in line with Lagan College's uniform policy.**

If students are unwilling to do so, then a parent will be requested to collect their child and arrange for the piercing to be removed. Students may wear clear plastic retainers.

Piercings should only be arranged for the start of holiday time so that they are healed before term begins.

