LAGAN COLLEGE BELFAST

Uniform Policy

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RELATED DOCUMENTS

1. DENI Circular 2011/04 – Guidance to School-on-School Uniform Policy
2. School Uniforms Guidelines – School Uniforms (Guidelines and Allowances) Act NI 2026
3. Safeguarding Policy
4. Addressing Bullying in Schools Policy
5. Positive Behaviour Policy
6. Relationship and Sexuality Education Policy

THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

This policy links with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) by taking into consideration the below articles of the UNCRC:

- **Article 2**: All children have the right to be protected from discrimination.
- **Article 3**: All organisations concerned with children should work towards what is best for each child.
- **Article 12**: Children have the right to express their views, in a supported and accessible way, on issues that affect them, and to have their opinions taken seriously.
- **Article 14**: Child have the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion
- **Article 29**: Goals of Education should develop respect for others and identity.

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.

A uniform can act as an equaliser among students and reduce pressure on families to provide their own clothing. It is important, therefore that students have a pride in wearing it smartly, neatly and correctly.

RATIONALE FOR LAGAN COLLEGE UNIFORM

Having branded Lagan College items of uniform helps to build a strong sense of identity and belonging among students. Branded items create a professional and unified appearance, especially during sports events or competitions, which reflects positively on the school. When everyone wears the same kit, it promotes equality, encourages school pride and teamwork, as students feel part of something bigger when representing their school. Furthermore, sourcing these items in bulk from a single supplier helps to lower costs for families while ensuring consistent availability for all students. Additionally, our distinct Lagan college uniform serves as a vital safety measure on school trips, allowing staff to instantly identify and supervise students in public spaces.

Exceptions to the policy may be made on the grounds of religion, race, special educational needs 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 chewing 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.
- Students who represent the College on school teams will be given or loaned any necessary kit items.

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 8	Mr L Mathison	Miss K Wightman	Ms H Thompson
Year 9	Miss J Beers	Dr F Quinn	
Year 10	Mr B Hasson	Miss K McMillan	
Year 11	Mr J Bono	Ms F Smyth	Mrs L Mulholland
Year 12	Mr A Baird	Ms B Young	
Year 13	Miss J Rogan		Mrs L Grant
Year 14	Miss A Bell		

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

UNIFORM SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Uniform Grant

Uniform grants from the Education Authority is an entitlement that your child may be eligible for. As of June 2026, the school uniform grant for post-primary students is:

- £61.20 per year for pupils under 15
- £67.20 per year for pupils aged 15 and over

There is also an additional PE kit allowance of £26.40 for post-primary students.

Applications can be made via the Education Authority website.
https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/pupil-applications-and-grants/free-school-meals-and-uniform-grants/apply-for-free-school

Pre-Loved Uniform

Parents' Council runs a pre-loved uniform shop in June and August, however pre-loved uniform items are available year-round on request. Any monies raised from donations from the sale of pre-loved uniform is used by Parents' Council to support extra-curriculum activities such as kits and equipment for clubs.

Throughout the year, students may be offered/given items if needed by Pastoral teams. Families are encouraged to donate items as part of the school's eco-friendly policy of 'reduce, reuse and recycle'.

Financial Support

If any parent has any financial concerns, please contact Mrs Mary Mackey, Director of Finance & Corporate Services, for more information.

OVERVIEW OF STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATION, May 2026

Student Feedback

Consultation issued May 2026, responses to consultation are being collated and outcomes will be added to policy in August 2026.

Parental Feedback

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Staff Feedback

Consultation issued May 2026, responses to consultation are being collated and outcomes will be added to policy in August 2026.

HOW TO WEAR YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM





Jewellery
One pair of studs
Worn in the lower ear lobe.
No facial jewellery.

White School Shirt
(top button fastened, shirt tucked in)

School Jumper
may be worn under the blazer

Grey School Shirt
Of a suitable length with one pleat.
(Trousers may be also be worn)

Black tights or school socks with black, with black shoes.

No boots, trainers or pumps.

White School Shirt
(top button fastened, shirt tucked in)

School Tie
must have a minimum of seven stripes

Black Trousers

Black socks with black shoes.

No boots or trainers.

Blazer
with College badge, must be worn at all times

Coat
Must be plain,
dark blue or black

Lagan College School Uniform Price Comparison Table (Data and costings collected April – May 2026)

Uniform Item	Littles Menswear 254-256 Woodstock Road Belfast, BT6 9DN Tel: 028 9045 8372	Truly Fare 397 Ormeau Road Belfast BT7 3GQ Tel: 02890 691347	Roberts of Bangor 24 Central Avenue Bangor, BT20 3AF Tel: 028 9127 0516	Warnocks 791-792 Lisburn Road Belfast, BT9 7GX Tel: 028 9038 1828	Gowdys 121 Woodstock Road, Belfast, BT6 8AB Tel: 028 9045 9052	Typical Cost (Supermarket/High Street)
Below items can only be purchased at listed stockist above						
Blazer	£55–£65	£40.99–£49.99	£49.95–£52.95	£39.95–£45.95	£45.95 -£57.95 Optional £10 to add badge	Supermarket/Basic (S) (Tesco, Asda, Sainsbury's, etc.) High Street (H) (M&S, Next, Clarks, etc.)
Tie	£9	£6.99	£6.95–£7.95	£6.95	Year 8-12 - £9.95 Sixth Form - £10.95	
Jumper	£25	£23.99–£27.99	£24.95	£25.95–£35.95	£22.95	
Skirt	Not specified	£26.99–£29.99	£24.95	£22.95–£26.95	£29.95	
Scarf (Optional)	Not specified	£16	£19.95	£15.95 £36.95	Year 8 – 12 - 19.95 Sixth Form - 34.95	
Grey Socks with stripe (Optional)	Not specified	Not specified	£9.95	£5.95–£10.95	£10.95	
Blouse (Optional)		£15.00			£16.19	
Below items can be purchased on the High Street/Supermarkets						
Trousers	£25–£30	Not specified	Not specified	£24.95–£34.95	£20.00- £29.95	(S) £ 8 -£15 (H) £ 15 -£30
Shirt	£18–£23 (2 pack)	Not specified	£18.95–£22.95 (2 pack)	£17.95–£19.95	£21.95	(S) £3 -£6 (H)£ 6 -£12

Black Tights						(S) £2 - £5 (H) £5 -£10
Black Socks						(S) £2- £5 (H) £5 -£10
Plain black leather/Leather type standard shoes						(S) £20 -35 (H) £35 – 70
Cardigan (Optional)			£17.95	Grey- £21.95-£32.95 Black- £20.95- £30.95 Green- £22.95- £32.95	Grey - £26.95 Black - £26.95 Green - £22.95	(S) £ 8 -£12 (H) £ 15 -£30
Winter Coat (Optional)						(S) £15 - £30 (H) £30 -£70
Winter Hat (Optional)						(S) £3- £6 (H) £5-£15
Discounts	20% - June/July 10% August	10% May-July	Possibly 10-20% Summer	20% July/August	20%- 25% on some items online May- July	Check local Supermarkets/High Street offers
Payment Options	Deposit paid- leave over and pay off in store	Klarna 'Leave Over and Pay Off Instore'	Back to school club- pay off in instalments	Back to school savings club- pay £5 balance, leave over and pay off instore 30% deposit scheme- limited space- All uniform set aside until you can settle the balance over the summer	Hold over- pay as you go	

Lagan College PE Kit

Uniform Item	Description	Uniform stockists	Price
Branded Items (Lagan College has a contract with Podium 4 Sport NI for the provision of the following uniform items which commenced on 9 January 2025 and expires on 9 January 2026)			
PE T-shirt **Only 1 top needed** **Students can choose between either colour/style top**	LCB black T-shirt style top – Boys	**Podium 4 Sports** 40 Montgomery Road, Castlereagh, Belfast, BT6 9HL **Tel:** 02890 701 333	Junior - £18.50 Senior - £22.50
	LCB black V-neck style top – Girls		Junior - £21.50 Senior - £26.50
PE Track Top **Only 1 top needed** **Students can choose between either colour/style top**	LCB black quarter-zip top – Boys		Junior - £32.00 Senior - £40.00
	LCB black full- zip top – Boys		Junior - £36 - £43.50 Senior - £43.00
	LCB red quarter-zip top – Girls		Junior - £40.00 Senior - £22.50
	LCB red full- zip top – Girls		Junior - £36 - £43.50 Senior - £43.00
Socks (Optional)	Black / Red		£8.50
Discount	10% July		
	Students will be offered a 10% discount of retail items throughout the school year.		
Generic Items			
PE Bottoms	Boys - Black shorts Girls- Black shorts (at least 40cms from the hip)		Budget supermarket: £4 – £8 Branded/high street: £10 – £18 Typical average: £5 – £12
	Boys/Girls - Black tracksuit bottoms Boys - Black skinny track pants.		Budget supermarket: £7 – £12 Mid/high street: £15 – £29 Average: £10 – £25
	Girls- Black skort		Budget supermarket: £4 –£8 Branded/high street: £10 – £18 Typical average: £5 – £12
	Girls- Black leggings		Budget: £6 – £10 Higher range: £15 – £22 Average: £7 – £18
Shoes	Proper trainers		Budget supermarket: £12 – £20 Mid-range branded High Street: £20 – £35 Average: £15 – £30
Equipment	Shin guards		Budget: £3 – £7 Better quality: £8 – £15 Average: £5 – £12
	Gum shield		Basic: £2 – £5 Better fit/gel types: £6 – £15 Average: £3 – £10
Desirable equipment	*Football boots for activities on grass for example: football, Gaelic football and rugby.*		Football boots (grass) Budget: £15 – £25 Mid-range: £30 – £45 Average: £20 – £40
	Astro shoes for hockey		Budget: £15 – £25 Mid-range: £30 – £50 Average: £20 – £40

Lagan College Average Costs

Male Student Items included:	
Uniform Core Items:	PE Uniform
• Blazer = £52 • Jumper = £26/ Cardigan = £26.95 • Tie = £8.50 • Trousers = £25 • Shirt = £9 • Shoes = £52.50 • Plain Socks = £5.00	Core Items: • PE T-shirt (boys): =£20.50 • Track top: =£38 • Shorts: =£8.50 or Tracksuit bottoms: =£17.50 • Trainers: =£22.50 Equipment: • Shin guards: =£8.50 • Gum shield: =£6.50
EA - Uniform Grant • £61.20 per year for pupils under 15 • £67.20 per year for pupils aged 15 and over	**EA - PE Kit Allowance** • PE kit allowance of £26.40
Total £178 -£178.95	**Total (male PE) = 89.50 - 98.50** **(Optional extras like football boots would add +£30, budget price, more)**

Female Student Items included:	
Uniform Core Items:	PE Uniform
• Blazer = £52 • Jumper = £26/Cardigan = £26.95 • Tie = £8.50 • Skirt/Trousers = £27/£25 • Shirt - £9 • Blouse (optional) - £15 • Tights = £4.00/Socks (optional) = £7.50 • Shoes = £52.50	Core Items: • PE T-shirt (girls): =£24 • Track top: =£38 • Shorts / Skort: =£8.50 or Leggings: =£12.50 or tracksuit bottoms: = £17.50 • Trainers: =£22.50 Equipment: • Shin guards: =£8.50 • Gum shield: =£6.50
EA - Uniform Grant • £61.20 per year for pupils under 15 • £67.20 per year for pupils aged 15 and over	**EA - PE Kit Allowance** PE kit allowance of £26.40
Total average = £177 - £189.45	**Total (female PE) = 93.00 - 102.00** **(Optional extras like astro shoes would add +£20 -40, budget price, more)**

Lagan College Year 8 -10 Uniform

Uniform Item		Description	Uniform stockists
1	BLAZER	Black with school badge, embroidered crest Black blazer may be purchased and school crest ironed or sewn on	Listed uniform stockists only Any stockist
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE (Optional)	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved red and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie. (Optional)	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.**	Any stockist Listed uniform stockists only
5	JUMPER OR CARDIGAN (Optional)	Grey with school colours OR Plain grey (Optional)	Listed uniform stockists only Any Stockist
6	SOCKS (Optional)	Black only worn with trousers. School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt. (Optional)	Any stockist Listed uniform stockists only
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	Any stockist
8	COAT (Optional)	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn.	Any stockist
9	HAT (Optional)	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	Any stockist
10	SCARF (Optional)	Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only
11	SHOES	Plain black leather/ leather-type standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable. **(To adhere to Health and Safety requirement for practical subjects)**	Any stockist

- **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. 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, embroidered crest Black blazer may be purchased and school crest ironed or sewn on	Listed uniform stockists only Any stockist
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE (Optional)	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved red and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie. (Optional)	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.	Any stockist Listed uniform stockists only.
5	JUMPER OR CARDIGAN (Optional)	Black with school colours OR Plain black (Optional)	Listed uniform stockists only. Any stockist
6	SOCKS (Optional)	Black only worn with trousers. School knee socks (grey with school colours) only worn with skirt. (Optional)	Any stockist Listed uniform stockists only.
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	Any stockist
8	COAT (Optional)	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn	Any stockist
9	HAT (Optional)	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	Any stockist
10	SCARF (Optional)	Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only.
11	SHOES	Plain black leather/ leather-type standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable. **(To adhere to Health and Safety requirement for practical subjects)**	Any stockist

- **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. 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, embroidered crest Green blazer may be purchased and school crest ironed or sewn on	Listed uniform stockists only Any stockist
2	SHIRT OR BLOUSE (Optional)	Plain short or long sleeved white, school shirt OR A short sleeved green and white stripes blouse* can be worn without a tie. (Optional)	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.	Any stockist Listed uniform stockists only.
5	JUMPER OR CARDIGAN (Optional)	Green with school colours OR Plain green (Optional)	Listed uniform stockists only Any stockist
6	SOCKS (Optional)	Black only worn with trousers.	Any stockist
7	TIGHTS (worn with skirt)	Black, throughout the year.	Any stockist
8	COAT (Optional)	Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn	Any stockist
9	HAT (Optional)	A plain black hat is acceptable during severe weather only.	Any stockist
10	SCARF (Optional)	Regulation school scarf	Listed uniform stockists only.
11	SHOES	Plain black leather/ leather-type standard school shoes. Brogue or black patent type shoes are acceptable. **(To adhere to Health and Safety requirement for practical subjects)**	Any stockist

- **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. 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
Plain black flat heeled leather/leather-type school shoes. Brogue and black patent type shoes are acceptable. Students will require a medical note if specific footwear is needed. **This footwear is necessary to adhere to Health and Safety requirements for practical subjects.**	Please note that high heels, flimsy pumps, canvas shoes, trainer type shoes, such as **nike, vans, converse or adidas** or boots are not acceptable. <u>Students who arrive with the wrong type of shoes will be asked to replace them.</u>
	
	
	
	
	

Lagan College PE Uniform

Uniform Item		Description		Uniform stockists
		BOYS	GIRLS	
1	PE T-shirt	LCB black T-shirt style top	LCB black V-neck style top	Podium Sports
		Students can choose between either style top		
2	PE Bottoms	Black shorts Black skinny track pants. Black tracksuit bottoms	Black skort Black shorts (at least 40cms from the hip) Black leggings Black track suit bottoms	Any stockist
3	PE track top	LCB black half- zip/quarter-zip top/hoody	LCB red half- zip/quarter-zip top/hoody	Podium Sports
		Students can choose between either 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	*Desirable equipment*	*Football boots for activities on grass for example: football, Gaelic football and rugby.*	*Astro shoes for hockey*	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 (Optional)

Year 13 -14
Green and white stripes (Optional)

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

We wear:

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

Grey school style cardigan (Optional)

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

Black school style cardigan (Optional)

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

Green school style cardigan (Optional)

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.

- **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. 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 Uniform List

We wear:

SOCKS
Black only worn with trousers

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

This excludes coloured/ patterned socks, white trainer socks

COAT (Optional)
Plain black, grey or navy coat may be worn

This excludes coloured/ patterned coats

HAT (Optional)
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 for health and safety in practical lessons.

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.

Parents will be contacted if students are not adhering to LCB Uniform 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 (Optional)
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.

Appendix 2: Deni Uniform Guidance in relation to Lagan College

DENI Guidance	Lagan College Current Position
School uniform policies must ensure uniforms are affordable for families on the lowest incomes and do not impose unfair costs.	• All families are issued annually with links to the EA Uniform Grant by individual email and information on the school website. • The College runs a Pre-Loved Uniform exchange which is available all year to students and families. • Honours and Sixth Form Prefect ties are issued to students as a reward for service.
School uniform policies must comply with relevant human rights and equality legislation, including appropriate adjustments being made for pupils with disabilities or special educational needs.	LCB Uniform Policy refers to: • UNCRC - Article 2: Every child has equal rights regardless of background. As uniforms reduce visible inequalities between students from different socio-economic backgrounds. • UNCRC - Article 3 – Decisions affecting children should prioritise their best interests. A uniform policy can promote safety (e.g. easy identification on trips) and prevents discrimination based on fashion, brands, or wealth • Uniform adjustments are made for students with SEN needs or in line religious beliefs.
School uniform policies must ensure that uniforms are comfortable, practical, easy to maintain and suitable for all seasons. ***Blazer Material*** *Choose Acrylic Over Wool Blazers Acrylic blazers are usually more affordable and are machine washable. Consider sew-on or iron-on crests instead of requiring embroidered logos.* ***Year-Round Uniform*** *Allow Uniform to Be Worn All Year. Avoid separate summer and winter uniforms unless optional. This reduces the number of items families need to buy.*	• Our blazers are acrylic and can be purchased with an embroidered school logo. • Plain black/green blazer can be purchased, with sew-on or iron-on crests added. • Uniform avoids unusual styles or costly designs for school blazers • Our blazers are high-quality and machine washable. • There is an optional red (Year 8 –12), green (sixth form) striped short sleeved blouse that may be worn in Term 3. • A white short sleeved shirt may be worn in Term 3.
School uniform policies must minimise the number of branded items, provide reasons for their inclusion and explore cheaper alternatives. ***Branded Items*** *Minimise Branded or School-Specific Items Keep branded items to a minimum and only include them when necessary. Consider sew-on or iron-on crests instead of requiring embroidered logos.* ***Coats and Bags*** *Permit Plain Coats Allow pupils to wear plain, unbranded coats in school-approved colours.* ***Generic Items***	**The following items are specified to promote school identity:** • Blazers (Yr 8 -12: Black, Sixth Form: Green) • Ties (Yr 8 -12: Black, Sixth Form: Green) • Jumpers with school-coloured strips. (Yr 8 -10: Grey, Yr 11-12: Black, Sixth Form: Green) • Skirts (Grey with one front pleat worn on the knee) **Branded PE items support identification when worn on school trips and sporting events.** • PE ¼ zip • PE T-shirt • Students may wear black/blue/green coat (over blazers in cold weather) • Students may use any bag.

Schools should as a minimum aim to have generic trousers, skirts and/or pinafores, shirts and shoes that are available from a wide range of suppliers including supermarkets	**The following items can be purchased anywhere (no specific brand required):** • Shirts • Trousers • Black socks/tights • Bags • Coats • Shoes (must be black leather) • Trainers • Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts/skorts • Cardigans (Yr 8 -10: Grey, Yr 11-12: Black, Sixth Form: Green)
School uniform policies must prioritise generic PE kit items and minimise the use of branded or school-specific PE kit. *Post-primary schools should keep branded items to a minimum. In particular, the requirement for school specific or branded shorts/skorts, socks and tracksuit bottoms should be carefully considered. It is reasonable that generic options should be available for all these items even when a school requires a school specific or branded PE top.* *Avoid Separate PE and Games Kits Use a single kit for PE and games and wherever possible avoid requiring different kits for different activities.* *Provide School-Owned Kits for Teams Supply kits for pupils representing the school in sports or other activities to avoid extra costs.* *Schools should provide shared items like hockey sticks, cricket pads, tennis rackets, etc., for use during PE and games.*	Generic options are available for all track bottoms /leggings /shorts /skorts. Compulsory branded items: • PE ¼ and ½ zip tops • PE T-shirt • No separate kits required for PE and Games. • All team kits are provided free of charge and washed by the school. • All essential PE and Games equipment is provided. • All essential items for PE and Games equipment are provided by Lagan College.
School uniform policies should support the lending of uniform items to pupils.	• The College runs a Pre-Loved Uniform exchange which is available all year to students and families. Students can request access to the available stock via Pastoral Teams
School uniform policies must support access to uniform banks for reused items. *Support Uniform Banks and Loan Schemes Encourage the reuse of uniforms through second-hand uniform shops or clothing banks. Offer loan schemes for temporary use items.*	• Parents' Council runs a pre-loved uniform shops – June and August. • Items are available year-round. • Donations are voluntary. • Students may be offered items if needed.
Suppliers *Ensure uniform items are available from multiple retailers unless a value-for-money agreement is in place and published.*	• A list of local stockists is available on the school website and in LCB Uniform Policy. • All local uniform stockists stock the full range of Lagan College uniform and offer a range of discounts. Some offer discounts if uniform is purchased early in the summer and some offer a bundle of uniform including blazer, shirt and trousers/skirt. These bundles offer excellent value for money. • Lagan College does not receive any money from the stockists. • All local stockists are in regular contact with the school, and they are all keen to offer the best quality products for the lowest possible price. Over recent years, the school has altered some aspects of its uniform to lower the cost. • The Uniform Policy includes Costings List.