

Academy Uniform and Rules for Appearance

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YEARS 7 – 11

ACADEMY UNIFORM

Oasis Academy Coulsdon require all students to wear uniform without exception. A uniform helps to give unity and identification to an Academy; it can make less obvious the different financial circumstances of parents and is a protection for both parents and students from the temptations of temporary extremes of fashion. The uniform is compulsory and available for purchase from the Academy.

We assume all parents will ensure their son or daughter dresses according to the uniform list. Any student failing to turn up in appropriate uniform will be required to return home. The Academy will maintain a small stock of clean spare uniform for students to wear. If it is unsuitable for a student, their parents or carers will be called, so that they can receive the student home and ensure they change into the necessary uniform.

COMPULSORY ACADEMY UNIFORM	
Girls	Boys
*Black blazer with Academy badge	*Black blazer with Academy badge
White shirt with top button	White shirt with top button
*Academy tie: Green years 7-9, Blue years 10-11	*Academy tie: Green years 7-9, Blue years 10-11
Black Skirt (knee length, pleated or plain, or Black tailored trousers	Black tailored trousers
Black Shoes that can be polished	Black Shoes that can be polished
Black or white socks or neutral or black tights (no patterns)	Black socks
School bag, waterproof, large enough to hold text & exercise books and which can be securely fastened (no plastic, drawstring bags)	
COMPULSORY SPORTS KIT Girls & Boys	OPTIONAL UNIFORM & SPORTS KIT ITEMS
*Academy Green Sports Shirt	*Black, v-necked Academy jumper
*White Academy Polo Shirt	*Black rain coat – worn over blazer
*Academy Shorts	*Academy Track Suit bottoms
* Academy socks (long) and short, white sports socks	Plain black or blue scarf or headscarf
Laced trainers	Football boots (girls)
Football boots (boys)	Shin pads (girls)
Shin Pads (boys)	
Gum Shield (boys)	

** denote items that can be purchased through the Academy*

Jewellery and make up – Years 7 - 11

No jewellery (with the exception of a wristwatch) is to be worn.

Any items of jewellery will be confiscated and stored in the school safe until a parent can collect it.

Rules concerning appearance

1. Every article of clothing must be marked with the student's name
2. Each student must be responsible for his or her own clothing
3. No clothing may be borrowed or lent
4. Clothing must not be left in school over night
5. Outdoor wear must not be worn inside the Academy building
6. Nail varnish and/or false nails are not allowed
7. Trainers may only be used for P.E. and break time
8. Hair must be appropriate for the Academy, presentable and safe. As in a business or office environment, the following applies:
 - a. Girls should tie long hair back with a black, navy blue or green hair band
 - b. Hair must not be dyed in any way other than natural hair colours. Coloured streaks in hair are not permissible.
 - c. Hair must not be shaved below a 2 grade.
 - d. Tracks, tramlines, designs or steps are not allowed.
 - e. Tracks or lines are not to be shaved into eyebrows.Please ensure your child is fully aware of these expectations if they visit the hairdresser unsupervised. Students flouting the rules on hair will work in isolation or at home until the problem is rectified.

Uniform and appearance will be checked rigorously each morning at the gate by members of the Academy Leadership Team.

Family Leaders and Mentors will check students' uniform throughout the day.

Mobile Phones and Electronic Entertainment Devices (EEDs)

Oasis Academy Coulsdon has a “no view” policy on all electronic devices – i.e. no student should be seen in possession of a mobile phone or EED on Academy premises.

- Mobile phones and EEDs (MP3s, gameboys, earphones, etc.) represent a distraction to lessons.
- Mobile phones are sometimes used for text threats and bullying.
- Young people in possession of electronic equipment place themselves at increased risk of mugging.

Rules concerning mobile phones and EEDs – Years 7 – 11

- Mobile phones and EEDs should be kept out of sight at all times;
- Students seen with these will have the device confiscated from them;
- Confiscated mobiles will be put in the Academy safe and will only be given back to parents/carers;
- In certain circumstances (persistent use, suspicion of illegal images, etc.) the device may be retained by the Principal and parents asked to meet with the Principal
- The Principal reserves the right to download any images which provide evidence of breaches of the Academy discipline policy;
- Oasis Academy staff will **not** investigate the theft of any mobiles or other electronic devices brought into the Academy by students.

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

Oasis Academy Coulsdon has Sixth Form Dress Code to promote a respectable image. All Sixth Formers are expected to adhere to it. The dress code allows considerable freedom whilst ensuring that everyone's appearance is smart. All students should dress in a manner appropriate for a business environment.

On formal occasions all Sixth formers are expected to set an example and dress particularly smartly.

Boys

Smart full-length tailored trousers
Shirt – colour of choice (no extreme patterns)
Tie -optional
Plain jumper or cardigan
Jacket – optional
Formal shoes that can be polished

Girls

Shirt/blouse (colour of choice)
Smart full length tailored trousers
Knee length Skirt/Dress
Plain jumper or cardigan
Jacket – optional
Formal shoes, or boots (ankle or knee length) with a flat or small heel.

The following apply to all Sixth Form students:

Clothes must not be tight-fitting or revealing. No slogans.
No hoodies or caps are allowed.
Denim coats and jackets are not acceptable.
Jewellery suitable for a professional environment is permissible.
Tattoos must not be visible
Hair must be kept tidy. Extremes of length or style are not permitted.
Shaved heads, other than for medical reasons, are not permitted (a letter from medical consultant required)
Colouring: discreet highlights are acceptable; bright, unnatural colours are not.
Other styling: Unconventional styles including patterns cut into hair or eyebrows are not allowed.

A Sixth former should only come to the Academy dressed in their sports kit if they have Sports/PE lessons in the morning or are travelling to an organised sports event.

The Academy reserves the right to send home to change any Sixth Form student whose standard of dress or appearance, including hair style, is considered inappropriate.