



**THE LEIGH  
UTC**

## **DRESS CODE FOR STUDENTS**

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# Student Dress Code - The Leigh UTC and Inspiration Academy

The Leigh UTC and Inspiration Academy holds professionalism and a businesslike approach at the heart of everything we do. It is important that all students have a smart and businesslike appearance throughout the day; this includes when they travel to and from the Academy. Additionally, students will have to comply with health and safety regulations as well as wearing clothes that suit our environment.

The following dress code/uniform policy takes the above into consideration but also allows students to show a level of individuality and the need to effectively represent The Leigh UTC / Inspiration Academy in the local community and workplace. We believe that all students should take pride in their appearance. Smart dressing conveys positive feelings in terms of commitment and attitude to work and it also enables students to show that they fully embrace the UTC's ethos.

This policy should be read in its entirety. However, some of the key points which apply to all phases include:

- **Blazers** must be kept in a smart, clean appearance. They must be worn when moving around the building, and on the way to and from the Academy. Sleeves must not be rolled up. Only academy-issued badges may be worn.
- **Shirts** must be tucked in at all times. Top buttons must always be fastened. No logos or fitted designs.
- **Jumpers** are optional. If worn, it must be the Academy jumper and not in place of the blazer.
- **Black box pleat skirts** must be a maximum of 2 inches above the knee length and not shortened by rolling them up at the waist.
- **Belts** should be black, plain and functional. No oversized buckles or clasps, studs or trimmings.
- **Own clothes** should not be worn on site at any times
- **No writing or doodling** on legs/arms/hands
- **Earpods/earphones/headphones** should not be seen on site

## Inspiration Academy (Y7-9)

**BOYS UNIFORM Y7-9:** At the Inspiration Academy (Y7-9), all young people will dress smartly and develop the shared identity of the Inspiration Academy.



- Blazer - black with Inspiration Academy badge.\*
- Trousers - black tailored (no skinny fit or jean style)
- Shirt - plain white with optional short sleeve
- College Tie\*
- Jumper (optional) - black, v-necked with green trim\*
- Black socks
- Shoes - Black, leather-fronted, traditional style school shoes. A plain design with no trimmings, logos, decorative buckles, coloured laces or stitching. No trainers, fabric shoes, boots or shoe-trainer hybrid shoes. No shoes with open toes or heels.



**Please note that items marked with a \* should be purchased from our uniform supplier: Brigade Clothing - [www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com](http://www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com)**

NO NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM GARMENTS to be worn under blazers

NO COATS TO BE WORN IN THE ACADEMY BUILDINGS

NO SCARVES of any kind to be worn on the Academy premises

NO HATS / HEADWEAR (religious headwear excluded) may be worn on the Academy premises

NO TRAINERS are allowed to be worn in school except during PE

NO MAKEUP may be worn

NO NAIL VARNISH (except clear)

NO ACRYLIC/GEL NAILS

NO DENIM is acceptable in school

- **Hairstyles** - Hairstyles that look professional while also supporting effective and safe participation in all UTC activities. Hair should only be natural colours.
- **Jewellery** - NO JEWELLERY can be worn apart from one pair of in-ear stud earrings and a wristwatch. The Leigh UTC and Inspiration Academy takes no responsibility for lost/stolen/damaged jewellery.
- **NON-UNIFORM ITEMS** - Non-uniform items including jewellery will be confiscated, and these can be collected from the Academy office at the end of the day. Students bring such items entirely at their own risk and the Academy accepts no responsibility should it be damaged, lost or stolen. We ask that parents/carers write a note in the students planner to communicate to staff why the student is unable to wear the correct uniform on any given day.

**GIRLS UNIFORM Y7-9:** At the Inspiration Academy (Y7-9), all young people will dress smartly and develop the shared identity of the Inspiration Academy.



- Blazer - black with Inspiration Academy badge\*
- Trousers - black tailored (no skinny fit or jean style)
- Skirt - stitched down black box pleat, should be no shorter than two inches above the knee and should not be rolled or tucked at the waist. .
- White collared shirt
- College tie\*
- Jumper (optional) - black, v-necked with green trim\*
- Plain black tights
- Black socks - below the knee.
- Shoes - Black, leather-fronted, traditional style school shoes. A plain design with no trimmings, logos, decorative buckles, coloured laces or stitching. No trainers, fabric shoes, boots or shoe-trainer hybrid shoes. No shoes with open toes or heels.



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NO HATS / HEADWEAR (religious headwear excluded) may be worn on the Academy premises

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NO MAKEUP may be worn

NO NAIL VARNISH

NO ACRYLIC/GEL NAILS

No FALSE EYELASHES

NO DENIM is acceptable in school

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## SPORTS KIT

Navy PE top with logo\*  
Navy Plain tracksuit bottoms or shorts  
Trainers  
Sport Socks  
Navy 1/4 zip sports top with logo\*

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## The Leigh UTC (Y10-13)

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**Jackets / blazers and college lanyards must be worn at all times.**

Male students	Female students
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● A smart business suit</li><li>● A blazer / tailored jacket with coordinating trousers</li><li>● Smart business shirt</li><li>● Tie / bow tie</li><li>● Shoes must be formal and smart (no boots, canvas shoes or trainers)</li><li>● Plain v-neck jumpers can be worn over shirts as long as ties are visible. Jumpers with logos are not allowed.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● A smart business suit</li><li>● A blazer / tailored jacket with coordinating trousers, skirt or dress. Skirts and dresses must be of a suitable length.</li><li>● Smart business blouse (no vest tops)</li><li>● Smart skirt/dress (should be no shorter than two inches above the knee and should not be rolled or tucked at the waist.)</li><li>● Tights/socks - plain black only</li><li>● Shoes must be formal and smart (no boots, trainers or canvas shoes) with a low heel.</li></ul>

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NO DENIM/NO HOODIES in school

NO NAIL VARNISH

SUBTLE MAKEUP may be worn

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- **NON-UNIFORM ITEMS** - Non-uniform items including jewellery will be confiscated, and these can be collected from the Academy office at the end of the day. Students bring such items entirely at their own risk and the Academy accepts no responsibility should it be damaged, lost or stolen. We ask that parents/carers email [info@theleighutc.org.uk](mailto:info@theleighutc.org.uk) to communicate to staff why the student is unable to wear the correct uniform on any given day.

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## WORKSHOP ATTIRE

White lab coat with logo\*  
Safety specs  
Appropriate protective footwear for the  
workshop

