



Academy Uniform Policy

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Introduction:

The Academy requires all students to wear school uniform to:

- promote a sense of belonging and a sense of community whilst ensuring equality of status in dress/attire;
- encourage students to look neat and tidy at all times and to take pride in their appearance;
- ensure dress/attire enables students to engage in the practical elements of the Academy's arts curriculum;
- assist with identification of students and the key stage to which they belong, as well as ensuring all students on site are members of BOA's community (i.e. dressed in the correct uniform and carrying their ID badges).

Purchasing Academy Uniform:

Full details of our academy uniform can be found on BOA's website, in the *Parent* section:

<https://www.boa-academy.co.uk/parents/school-uniform>

SWI Schoolwear is an online clothing company that assists parents in the purchasing of competitively-priced and affordable academy uniform.

The Academy requires students to purchase a branded BOA hoody and branded BOA t-shirts. The prices are matched to the cost of similar items that can be purchased at high street stores, with no item of clothing exceeding £20. In line with guidance from the UK government and the Department for Education, students at BOA are not required to buy more than 3 branded items.

At Key Stage 4, students are required to purchase a grey BOA hoody and white polo shirts / t-shirts, which are priced as follows:

White BOA T-Shirt: from £9

White BOA Polo Shirt: from £11

Grey/White BOA Hoody: from £20

At Post 16, students are required to purchase a black BOA hoody and black polo shirts / t-shirts, which are priced as follows:

Black BOA T-Shirt: from £9

Black BOA Polo Shirt: from £11

Black/White Hoody: from £20

Other items:

Students in Key Stage 4 and Post-16 can pair their branded BOA t-shirts and hoodies with:

- black leggings, black jeans, black tracksuit bottoms, black joggers or black trousers of their choice. There is no requirement for this item (or items) to be branded.
NB: Parents and students should ensure that this element of the uniform maintains the smart and professional appearance of BOA students.
- shoes and trainers that are fit for purpose. Whereas we do not prescribe a specific style of shoe or trainer, we advise against sandals and sliders, high-heeled and open-toe shoes as these do not provide as adequate protection for the foot as shoes and trainers.
NB: Parents and students should ensure that this element of the uniform maintains the smart and professional appearance of BOA students.

Dance kits and PE kits:

- Whereas each department area will offer advice on dance kits or PE kits (where appropriate), we do not require students to purchase BOA-branded merchandise or kit.

Affordability:

Should parents experience financial difficulty in providing or purchasing academy uniform, there is some help available at the discretion of the Academy or:

- At Key Stage 4, through pupil premium funding;
- At Post-16 through the 16 to 19 bursary scheme;

Further information:

Please contact the Principal of BOA for further information: principal@boa-academy.co.uk