



North Oxfordshire Academy
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning



Uniform & Essential Equipment

Uniform:

Our aims for school uniform at NOA are:

- All students are ambassadors for NOA and are proud to wear our school uniform.
- Parents support the wearing of school uniform.
- The local community recognises NOA students.
- Students develop a sense of pride in their school and a professionalism to prepare them for the world of work.

Benefits of have a school uniform are:

- The differences between students are reduced, which in turn, reduces some of the causes of social isolation and bullying.
- Self-esteem of particular groups of students may be improved.
- Security is improved - it's easy to spot who does and does not belong to the school community.
- Students feel a stronger sense of belonging and commitment to their school.
- It improves the image of the school in the local community.
- It creates a sense of purpose within the school environment.



Boys:

- Navy blue academy blazer with the North Oxfordshire Academy badge
- Blazer sleeves must be worn rolled down
- A light blue long or short sleeved shirt suitable for a tie
- Plain navy tailored trousers (ankle length)
- The academy grey jumper (optional in cold weather)
- Belts must be plain black or navy with no big buckles or logos
- Tie - each house has a different coloured stripe which enables staff to recognise which house each student belongs to

Examples of appropriate footwear for boys.

Black Leather polishable shoes with black soles and black laces/slip on.



Boots are not permitted

Girls:

- Navy blue academy blazer with the North Oxfordshire Academy badge
- House identity strip above academy badge which must be ironed or sewn on at home
- Blazer sleeves must be worn rolled down
- A light blue reverse collar shirt with no visible undergarments i.e. long sleeve t-shirt
- Plain knee length navy skirt with North Oxfordshire Academy logo at waistband (which must always be visible) or plain navy tailored trousers (ankle length)
- The academy grey jumper (optional in cold weather)
- Headscarf – plain black or navy
- Blue, Black or natural coloured tights/socks. No leggings or patterned tights allowed.

Examples of appropriate footwear for girls.

Black leather polishable shoes with black soles and black laces/slip on.



Boots are not permitted

Footwear (Boys & Girls)

- Must be black flat, plain polishable shoes (no boots or trainers). There should be no canvas, suede, logos, stripes or patterns on footwear. If you are in any doubt about the academy rules please contact your child's pastoral leader before purchasing them.

Other Items

Jewellery

- One plain gold or silver stud (less than 5mm in diameter) per ear (in the lower lobe)
- One watch (watches connected to mobile phone technology are not allowed)
- **No** other jewellery may be worn.

Please note that jewellery will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the academic day

or if necessary, a parent will be asked to collect from the academy.

Body piercings/tattoos

There must be no visible body piercing and/or tattoos. Tongue piercings are absolutely forbidden in school. Please ensure your child does not wear the following;

- Stretchers/expanders/bars
- Hooped earrings & ear cuffs

If you decide to allow your child to have an additional piercing to that allowed above, please do so at the start of the summer holidays so that it has time to heal and be removed when they return to school.

Clear retainers for ear piercings are permitted.

Nails

- No nail varnish (even natural colours) is to be worn in the academy at all.
- No false nails may be worn.

Hair

To be natural – **no** unnatural colour, extensions, hair sculpture, decorative shaved patterns are not permitted.

Make-up

Year 7,8 & 9 – **No make-up allowed at all.**

Year 10 & 11 only light foundation and mascara may be worn.

PE Kit

The PE kit is an essential part of each student's equipment.

PE kit must be brought to all PE lessons even if students are excused from PE as they will be expected to participate in student observations, coaching etc.

Boys

- Rugby shirt – navy with sky blue
- Polo shirt – sky blue
- NOA hooded sweatshirt – navy (No non NOA hoodies are allowed)
- Shorts – navy
- Tracksuit bottoms (navy/black – Plain)

- Socks – navy/sky blue hoops
- Footwear – trainers/studded boots

Girls

- Polo Shirt – sky blue
- NOA hooded sweatshirt – navy (No non NOA hoodies are allowed)
- Navy Shorts/skorts (Skorts will not be available after this academic year)
- Tracksuit bottoms (navy/black – plain)
- Tights need to be removed for PE but plain black or navy sports leggings under a skort are acceptable.
- Socks – navy/sky blue hoops
- Footwear – trainers/studded boots



Essential Equipment

We ask for the support of parents/ carers in encouraging children to come to the academy fully equipped and ready to learn. We have high expectations of our students, and if students fail to bring the correct equipment to school vital learning time is lost. We expect our students to take responsibility for their learning, and we also realise that future employers would expect workers to arrive at the workplace with the correct equipment.

Your child should leave home each morning with the following equipment:

An appropriate school Bag – (preferably a back- pack)

Vital to keep a pencil case, books, homework A4 folder and other equipment safe.

PE Kit - Please check with your child when PE is timetabled, so they pack their kit.

Refillable water bottle – we have water coolers in school, to avoid unnecessary use of plastic please do not send children to school with bottled water.

The following equipment is required by every pupil. Equipment checks will take place at tutor time each day.

- A school bag
- Pencil case
- NOA School planner - Provided by school
- 3 pens (black/blue & X1 green pen)
- 1 pencil
- 1 rubber
- 1 ruler
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 pencil case
- 1 scientific calculator (Must be a Casio FX85)
- Headphones or Earphones
- Knowledge organiser - Provided by school
- Highlighters
- Coloured pencils
- Maths protractor
- Non-permanent whiteboard pen
- Reading Book

Out of Uniform Procedure

If your child arrives at the academy out of uniform the academy will follow the process below:

1. Phone call to go home to parents/ carers
2. Student taken to student services to borrow uniform
3. If a student refuses to borrow the correct uniform or refuses to deal with any other issues around their appearance they will be placed in RESET until the issue has been resolved/parents spoken to

Students must return any borrowed uniform at the end of the day.

If you have any issues regarding uniform, please call the academy to let us know in advance. Please do not send your child to school in incorrect uniform without contacting us first. We will do everything we can to help.

Purchasing NOA uniform

The uniform items your child will need must be purchased from Cross Embroidery, Banbury. Pre-ordering is advised.

Cross Embroidery

Phone: 01295 270555

Email: sales@crossembroidery.com

Address: Unit 5+6 Lower Cherwell Street, Banbury, Oxon, OX16 5AY.