



Uniform Requirements

At Birchwood Community High School, we are committed to ensuring that our uniform is affordable and inclusive. To read more about our rationale, please read our full uniform policy [here](#).

The following Items are **required**:

Branded Items

Blazer	Navy with school badge
Tie	Navy school tie for Year 7 – Year 10 Silver school tie for Year 11
PE Top	Navy school polo shirt with badge
PE Skort/Shorts	Navy school skort or football shorts
PE Socks	Navy school socks with turnover

Unbranded Items

Shirt	White shirt with top button closed. Shirt tucked in with sleeves unrolled
Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore	Grey traditional cut trousers/Grey knee length skirt/Grey Pinafore
Socks/Tights	White, navy, grey or black socks worn below the knee/Opaque tights in navy, grey or black
Shoes	Black leather (or leather look) shoes <i>(further details of which shoes align with the school policy can be found on the page below)</i>

The following Items are **optional**:

Branded Items

PE Rugby Top	Navy pro-tec rugby shirt with school badge
PE Quarter-zip Fleece	Navy cuatro ¼ zip fleece with school badge
Knitted V-neck Jumper	Plain navy
School Hoodie	With school logo

Unbranded Items

Navy PE leggings	Plain navy with no logo
Navy Tracksuit Pants	Plain navy with no logo

Please note: The school changed its logo in 2020 but students can continue to wear uniform with the old logo for as long as they wish.



Footwear Guidance

This guidance is intended to help parents choose the most appropriate shoes for their child(ren). It is not possible to provide an exhaustive list of all the shoes that are not acceptable, but by comparing your shoes to the list below, you will get a better understanding of what we accept. If you remain in any doubt, please contact the school before making your purchase, as we understand the difficulties caused by purchasing the wrong item, particularly expensive items such as shoes.

Shoes must be: Plain black sensible leather (or leather effect) shoes.

High heels or boots are not acceptable.

Acceptable Shoes		Unacceptable Shoes	
			
			
			
			
			
			
			



Further Guidance

Trousers	Skirts, Tights & Socks
<p>Formal Trousers: School grey standard cut No zips on pockets No jeans or chino styles No elaborate buttons or sequins Worn with dark socks (black/navy/grey)</p>	<p>Students can wear a school grey knee-length skirt No short, narrow pencil skirts Students who wear a skirt must either wear black, grey or navy opaque tights, or ankle or knee socks in white, black, navy or grey Socks should be below the knees</p>
Jumpers	Coats
<p>Students can choose to purchase a branded V-neck jumper No crew necks jumpers No sweatshirt styles No hoodies to be worn under blazers apart from the school hoodie</p>	<p>We prefer students to wear a plain outdoor coat with no logos. A hoodie is not a substitute for an outdoor coat and will be confiscated by school</p>
Jewellery, Nails, Makeup and Hair	
<p>Students may wear one small stud earring in the lobe of each ear No other jewellery should be worn by students during the school day Make-up should be natural and kept to a minimum False eyebrows or lashes (including strips and semi-permanent) of any kind are not permitted Hair must be appropriate and not an extreme style Hair must be a natural colour Short hair must not contain shaved patterns Nail varnish is not to be worn in school Acrylic nails are also not allowed in school The Behaviour and Discipline policy has more information about the above, this can be accessed here</p>	

Uniform Suppliers

For all the branded items included in our school uniform, the retailers are:

Warrington Schoolwear	Touchline UK
<p>50-54 Buttermarket Street Warrington WA1 2NN Tel: 01925 576868 Online Shop</p>	<p>Liverpool Road Warrington WA5 1AE Tel: 01925 413777 Online Shop</p>

The unbranded items included in our school uniform are widely available.

The school keeps a small stock of secondhand uniform. Parents and carers who wish to purchase secondhand uniform should contact the Polaris team on 01925 853 500.



Further Guidance

Students are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times, other than specified nonuniform days.

This includes:

- At all times on the school premises during the school day.
- Travelling to and from school,
- Where required, at out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school.
- If a student is asked to roll their skirt down repeatedly or is wearing the incorrect type/length of skirt, they will be asked to change into trousers from our school supply in the Polaris Centre. Refusal to do this will be treated as defiance.

Reasonable Adjustments

If a child has a special educational need that requires an adjustment to be made to the school uniform, this will be done on an individual basis through liaison with the school SENDCo. These are anticipated to be rare circumstances and any adjustments will need to be agreed to by the Headteacher.

Students are also expected to contact Mr C Burrows, Associate Deputy Headteacher (on **01925 853500**) before or after school if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their protected characteristics.