Launceston College Uniform Guide 2018 -19

The College uniform is a comfortable, practical and easy care alternative to the more formal uniform worn in many colleges. It is worn by all students in Years 7 to 11 when representing the College on their way to and from College, throughout the College day and at important events.

At Launceston College we believe that a smart and tidy appearance is very important for all of our students, particularly in preparing them for the expectations of future employers and the world of work. We would like all our students and parents to appreciate the part that uniform plays in contributing to the ethos and learning environment of the College.

Our uniform promotes a strong, cohesive, College identity that supports high standards and a sense of identity among students: it seeks to support integration, equality and cohesion amongst students.

We expect all College students to take pride in their appearance and to remember that they are ambassadors for their College.

First impressions are important; ensure your uniform is always correct, clean, tidy and worn with pride. Students must wear their jumpers or sweatshirts at College, however in individual lessons or tutor times may politely request removal, if required; during the summer when the weather consistently increases in temperature this requirement is relaxed – and once relaxed will not be reinstated until the start of the Autumn term. Clear communication will be made to students and on the College website when this requirement has been relaxed.

The College uniform is:

Plain white polo shirt with collar
When worn the collar must be visible. Shirts must at least be long enough to meet the top of the trousers. Any t-shirt or vest worn underneath the polo shirt must not be visible.

Plain black tailored trousers of a traditional design
Not skinny trousers, jeans, chinos or trousers with pockets on the legs. Trousers should be full length and meet the top of the shoe (socks should not be visible if the right length). If a belt is worn it must be black.

Plain black tailored knee length pleated skirt of a traditional design (girls)
Skirts should not be of jersey stretch material. Skirts should be knee or near-knee length. (available from Hazard)

College navy blue sweatshirt or jumper
With College logo.
Plain black or grey socks

Plain black polishable school shoes
Shoes must be wholly black, with no white or coloured markings and any laces must be black. Trainers, boots, skate shoes, shoes designed for leisure wear, suede or canvas shoes or shoes with prominent logos are not permitted. See images as a clear guide – none look like or could be considered as trainers or leisurewear. Shoes should be kept clean and smart.

Please pay particular note to the style of shoe, trouser and skirt that are part of College uniform as some shops sell items in school uniform sections that are not permissible at this College.

Please make sure that every item of clothing is clearly marked with your name.
PE Kit

**Girls**
- Navy/Sky blue polo shirt - College logo
- Sky blue PE sweatshirt or hoodie – College logo
- Navy shorts
- Navy tracksuit bottoms
- Short white socks and long navy socks
- Trainers
- Shin pads
- Gum shield (advisable)

**Boys**
- Navy/Sky blue polo shirt - College logo
- Navy/Sky blue rugby shirt – College logo
- Navy shorts
- Navy tracksuit bottoms
- Short white socks and long navy socks
- Trainers
- Football or rugby boots
- Shin pads
- Gum shield

**All students**

**Outdoor wear**
Coats, gloves and scarves may only be worn outside College buildings. We encourage students in inclement weather to wear coats that are practical in design – warm and weather proof. Warm woollen or fleece hats may be worn outside. Fashion scarves should not be worn.

**Jewellery**
Excessive jewellery must not be worn but some jewellery is allowed and students may wear no more than a single stud earring in each ear, a fine necklace worn underneath the polo shirt and a wristwatch. No finger rings, face piercing or other jewellery is allowed. Belts should fit in belt loops and be black.

Where students are entitled to wear additional uniform items such as Sports Leaders or Ten Tors polo shirts, the uniform must be that supplied and worn only by those students entitled to wear it. It is still expected that students wear College jumpers.
Other advice:

Hair
Should be a natural colour and worn in a style that does not compromise health or safety. Hair styles, including Mohican and other non-gradual changes in length, patterned shaving, and grade 1 or below, are examples of unacceptable hair design. Hair ornaments should be no larger than a 50p piece. If there is any question over the nature of extreme the Principal will decide.

Make up
Should be discreet; if it is noticeable it is not discreet.

School bags
Should be suitable, preferably a backpack or messenger bag that is big enough to hold an A4 folder.

Chewing gum
Is not allowed.

Drinking water
Is allowed in lessons in clear plastic bottles but is not allowed in science laboratories or areas where IT equipment is in use. Students are responsible for topping up drinking bottles at break and lunchtime and not during lesson times. No other drinks are allowed in class.

College Equipment:

The following items should be brought to College each day in a backpack or messenger bag that is big enough to hold an A4 folder:

- The relevant exercise books, texts books or PE kit for your lessons on that day
- A reading book (KS3)
- A calculator
- A pencil case containing:
  - a black pen
  - a pencil
  - an eraser
  - a 15cm ruler
  - a pencil sharpener
  - a protractor
  - a pair of compasses