

Student Attire Guidelines

Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable student attire and appearance. All students are expected to dress in a safe and modest manner. Clothing should not be distracting. Bare midriffs, bare feet, muscle shirts, unsuitable shorts or skirts, and shirts with inappropriate language, messages or pictures are examples of unacceptable school clothing.

To determine appropriate length of shorts and skirts, students should drop their hands to their sides. If the length of the shorts or skirt is above the student's fingertips, the article of clothing is too short.

The principals and/or counselors will handle cases of improper attire individually.

Students will:

1. Dress in a manner that is safe, appropriate and will not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.
2. Recognize that extremely brief, tight or revealing garments including, but not limited to, halter tops, tube tops, net tops, short skirts or shorts, see-through garments, bare midriffs or bare lower backs or muscle shirts are not appropriate.
3. Ensure that undergarments are completely covered with appropriate clothing at all times.
4. Wear footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed. Slippers are not allowed.
5. Follow the "Hat Rule."(Rule #19, Page 26)
6. Refrain from wearing items that are vulgar, obscene, libelous or denigrate others. Refrain from wearing clothing that promotes and/or endorses the use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs and/or encourages other illegal activities.
7. Be aware that the absence of a specific example will not be license or reason to dress inappropriately as determined by OPHS personnel.

The building principal or his designee will be responsible for informing all students and their parents regarding appropriate dress at the beginning of the school year. Students who do not dress appropriately will be required to modify their appearance by covering or replacing the offending item(s). Students with multiple dress code offenses will be subject to the disciplinary process. Parents may be contacted concerning proper student attire. Students in violation of the dress code may be sent home. Our goal is to maintain a dignified atmosphere at OPHS that is conducive to teaching and learning.