

Dress Code

Why Does OCS have a uniform dress code?

Oroville Christian School has developed a dress code to establish a modest and appropriate appearance and to promote a strong Christian testimony (1 Samuel 16:7, 1 Cor. 6:19-20). OCS pursues a conservative academic atmosphere on campus. The guidelines listed below are in effect for the entire school day, including lunch and when on campus after school. Students must also abide by the dress code when participating in on or off-campus school activities. The uniform dress code will be enforced graciously and firmly, with a focus on the heart of a child.

General Guidelines

- All clothes must portray a clean, modest, neat look that supports a learning environment.
- Hats are only allowed to be worn outside (i.e., not in class, chapels, etc.).
- While girls are allowed to have pierced ears, no other body piercings are allowed for boys or girls.
- Items that are considered extreme such as black nail polish, studs or spikes on hats, belts, wristbands, shirts, pants, etc. are not allowed.
- Hairstyles must be natural and neat (unusual styles or coloring is not acceptable). No extreme styles (numbers, ridges, Mohawks, etc.).
- Wednesdays are free dress, but students' attire should reflect the guidelines.

OCS Uniform Code

GIRLS

Uniform Slacks: Color of all uniform slacks must be **Black, Navy Blue, or Khaki** (*not similar colors*). Fabric should be a twill or similar material - no denim, stretch or cotton knits. Fit must be full- leg or boot cut, not snug, slim leg, or skinny leg. Must be neat in appearance, no holes.

- Slacks: Flat front, Pleated.
- Capri/Gauchos should be hemmed.
- Shorts/Skimmers– Should be finger-tip length or longer. Flat front or Pleated.
- Skorts/Jumpers/Skirts/Dresses– Should be no higher than 4" above bended knee.

- All waistbands should fit and not slip below the waist.
- Mandatory that shorts or leggings be worn under dresses, jumpers, and skirts.

(Must be uniform colors, no prints/patterns.)

Uniform Tops: Must be **True Red, White, or Navy-Blue** solid color (*not similar colors*). Must have a collar and at least two buttons and may be long or short sleeved. All shirts must cover the stomach when arms are raised.

- Any uniform top may be worn under jumpers.
- Polo dresses are to be one of the top colors.
- Turtlenecks or Undershirts (including tank tops or camisoles) may be worn under any approved uniform top, but not by themselves. Must be uniform top color.
- Sweatshirts/Sweaters– Uniform top colors. Solid color (no writing unless it is an OCS logo) with zip-up, button, or pull-over with or without hoods. These sweatshirts may be worn in the classrooms. All other outerwear that does not conform to this can be worn outdoors only.
- Hoods will not be worn on the head inside buildings.
- For modesty, developing girls must wear bras.
- General Appearance:
- No make-up will be allowed at school or school activities (including but not limited to powder, foundation, lip gloss, mascara, etc.)
- Shoes must be worn at all times. All sandals and shoes must be laced up or have a back strap for safety reasons. Heels on shoes or sandals may only be 1 inch in height or less. Heels or sandals may not be worn for P.E. Shoes with wheels are not allowed at school.
- No visible tattoos, permanent or temporary.
- Hats are not to be worn backwards or in buildings.
- Leggings must be covered by outer wear which is no more than 4" above the bended knees, and the outer wear must not be see through. (Must be uniform colors or black, no prints.)

BOYS

Uniform slacks: Color of all slacks must be **Black, Navy Blue, or Khaki** (*not similar colors*). Fabric should be a twill or similar material - no denim, stretch or cotton knits. Fit must be full-leg or boot cut, not snug, slim leg, or skinny leg. Must be neat in appearance, no holes.

- Pants – Full length Flat-front, Pleated.
 - Shorts – Finger-tip length or longer. Flat front or Pleated, Chino, or Cargo.
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- All waistbands should fit and not slip below the waist.

Uniform tops: Must be **True Red, White, or Navy-Blue** solid color (*not similar colors*). Must have a collar and at least two buttons and may be long or short sleeved. All shirts must be tucked while inside chapel.

- Sweatshirts/Sweaters– Uniform top colors. Solid color (no writing unless it is an OCS logo) with zip-up, button, or pull-over with or without hoods. These sweatshirts may be worn in the classrooms. All other outerwear that does not conform to this can be worn outdoors only.
- Hoods will not be worn on the head inside buildings.
- Turtleneck/long-sleeved shirts of approved top colors may be worn under any approved uniform top, but not by themselves.
- Ties must reflect positive, wholesome, Christian standards.

General Appearance:

- Hair length should be short, off the collar, not extend lower than the eyebrows, nor extend lower than the mid-ear.
- Earrings are not allowed.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. All sandals and shoes must be laced up or have a back strap for safety reasons. (No sandals for P.E.). Shoes with wheels are not allowed at school.
- No visible tattoos, permanent or temporary.
- Hats are not to be worn backwards or in buildings unless specifically requested (i.e., kitchen helpers, spirit week, class dress-up days)

FREE DRESS DAY

Pants and shorts are to be hemmed, neat in appearance and without holes. No form fitting or skintight clothing. Leggings are only to be worn under skirts or shorts of uniform length.

- Waistbands on shorts or pants should fit and not slip below the waist.
- No writing on the backside of pants or shorts.
- Shorts must be finger-tip length or longer.
- Skirt and dresses should be no more than 4" above the bended knees.

Tops: Shirts are to be neat in appearance and without holes. No form fitting or skintight clothing.

- No jerseys unless a t-shirt is underneath.
- Sleeveless shirts are to be three inches wide on shoulders.

- Shirts must cover midriff, no low necklines.
- All shirts and designs must reflect positive, wholesome, Christian standards.

General Guidelines:

- All clothes must portray a clean, modest, neat look that supports a learning environment.
- Gang-related clothing, such as oversized clothes or sagging pants are not allowed.
- Items that are considered extreme such as black nail polish, studs or spikes on hats, belts, wristbands, shirts, pants, etc. are not allowed.
- Any verbiage on clothing should support the mission of the school.

The uniform dress code will be enforced graciously and firmly, with a focus on the heart of a child. The goal is correction and compliance. Should a student arrive at school out of dress code, an attempt will be made to correct the issue, either with apparel on supply here on campus or from a phone call is made to the parents asking them to bring a change of clothes. Students who are out of uniform may not be admitted to class. A conference will be scheduled with the Administrator to discuss students who have a continual dress code issue. *The Administrator has the final authority regarding uniforms.*

Parents will be notified through email if a student has received a dress code violation. The date and number of violations are incorporated into the email, along with the congruent discipline measure that will be taken. A student whose clothes do not honor the dress code may not be permitted to attend class until the issue is resolved.

Penalties for Dress Code Violations

- 1st Violation: Email is sent home to the parents; student must change before returning to class.
- 2nd Violation: Student sent home and may miss a full day of school if violation or response is inappropriate.

P.E. Clothing

Kindergarten through 4th grade students do not have P.E. uniforms. Fifth through 8th grade students are required to wear P.E. uniforms (White shirts with school logo and Cardinal red shorts with school logo). Shoes that are worn during P.E. must be laced up securely. *Sandals are not to be worn during P.E.* In the winter months, students may wear loose-fitting sweat suits over their P.E. uniforms. P.E. clothes are not to be worn over or in place of school uniform. Because of safety issues, girls are not to wear any jewelry during P.E. *NOTE: Shorts and sweat bottoms with printing on the rear are not allowed.*