Dress Standards/Dress Code

The uniform policy at OAKS is not a commentary on modesty or the latest fashions. It is a simplified language use to describe the image we want our students to project. Studies have proven that uniforms are equalizers in the classroom and help focus students on work habits and academic growth. All schools have their own standards. If you choose to attend OAKS, you are choosing this dress, just like you agree to a code of conduct. The Faculty reserves the right to address ill-fitting and frayed uniforms.

1. Approved shirt colors from French Toast are navy blue, hunter green, white, gray, and fire-engine red. Shirts must be polo style and may be long or short-sleeved. All undershirts or turtlenecks worn under the uniform shirt must be solid uniform colors and tucked in at all times. All uniform shirts must have the OAKS logo.

2. Uniform dress pants/shorts are to be French Toast navy blue or khaki. Shorts must be French Toast *uniform shorts* and worn within two inches of the knee while standing. Girls must always wear shorts underneath a skirt or jumper. No external patches, rips, tears, or stains are appropriate on clothing.

3. Uniform skirt and skort hems must be worn at the knee while standing up and must be navy blue, khaki, or OAKS plaid.

4. All underwear must be concealed under and inside of a student's uniform. The uniform should be of appropriate size to avoid revealing the lines and edges of a student's underclothing.

5. On Wednesdays, blue jeans (appropriately sized & well-fitting and in good repair with no rips/holes) may be worn. No denim leggings, skinny jeans or jeans with embroidery or glitter embellishments are permitted. Students may choose to wear regular school uniforms OR regular uniform shirts with blue jeans. Other school T-shirts called "Wednesday Shirts" may also be worn on Wednesdays.

6. Non-uniform sweatshirts/hoodies may not be worn on campus during the school day and on field trips. Students may wear a variety of sweatshirts/hoodies sold by OAKS including OAKS logo, spiritual-theme, or Mustangs hoodies and/or French Toast cardigans. Non-uniform winter coats must be worn outside only and placed on hooks when inside the classroom. Hoodies must be well-fitting and cannot be too large for a student.

7. 8th graders ONLY may purchase and wear CA/GCA approved polos.

8. Each January, formal wear standards will be shared with the 7th and 8th grade class in preparation for graduation and graduate photos.

9. Shoes must be closed toed shoes with non-marking soles. Sport shoes are required for all activities physical in nature. Boots and crocs are not allowed. Students participate in daily physical activities requiring these shoes for safety issues. Shoes are required to be worn at all times.

10. Socks must be worn. They must be of the same variety of solid colors as used for shirts and must match the uniform (skorts/skirts/shorts) that the student is wearing. Approved colors are black, white, hunter green, navy blue, fire-engine red. Leggings or tights, in the above colors, may be worn under skirts.

11. Jewelry of any type is not appropriate at school or OAKS events. Make-up should be kept natural and to a minimum. Students are not to apply tattoos or draw on the skin or nails with pen or markers. Fingernail polish is permitted for girls as part of the OAKS uniform under the following conditions.
    a. Colors are bright and manicure is neat and tidy. No black or dark colors or partially missing color.
    b. Patterns printed on nail stickers such as Color Street etc. are allowable. Please no nail art or raised/3d nail art.
    c. Color should be applied to the natural nail bed and nails should be kept at a length to enable play in PE and comfort when typing. No press on nails or tips and extensions.

12. Hair must be clean, neat, a natural color, and present a well-groomed appearance (to the discretion of the staff and administration). Hair must stay out of the face during regular school activities; his/her hair should not cover the eyes or prohibit eye contact. Extreme hairstyles are not acceptable.

13. For extended field trips, dress must be modest, appropriate, and within the spirit of the OAKS dress code. Sponsors will issue, in writing, any special dress code designed specifically for a particular event.

14. Students who enter school out of uniform may be kept out of class until the correct uniform is provided by parents. On the third event of a student attending class out of uniform, a fine of $25 is to be paid in cash before the student can return to class with the appropriate uniform. Additional infractions may require additional fines to be paid.

NOTE: The above listed dress code applies to all school functions, class programs, field trips, and any other time the student is representing OAKS. OAKS and the Uniform Committee reserve the right to make changes to the dress code as circumstances may require.