

Odem Elementary School Dress Code 2013-2014

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Slacks and pants must be single-colored, khaki, navy or blue denim. They must be docker-styled, pleated or flat front, and full length; standard five-pocket blue jeans that are appropriately sized are also acceptable. Pants that do not properly fit or have oversized pockets are not allowed.

Shorts and capris must be single-colored khaki, navy, or blue denim. They can be pleated or flat-front walking style. The hem should be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee, when standing. Cargo shorts are allowed, however shorts that do not properly fit or have oversized pockets are not allowed.

Skirts and jumpers must be khaki, navy or blue denim, traditional-styled no shorter than 4 inches above the knee, when standing. Leggings may be worn only under a school approved skirt or jumper,

Shirts, Blouses, and Turtlenecks will be polo-styled, long or short sleeve, with a collar and without logos. They may be any solid color or pattern. Pre-approved Odem spirit t-shirts are acceptable.

Jackets, Coats, Sweaters and Fleece Shirts must be worn over a dress code approved shirt, and must be size appropriate. Advertisements/logos of drugs, weapons or other derogatory nature are not allowed. Hoods may not be worn inside the school building.

Athletic Shoes, Tennis Shoes, Dress Shoes or other Closed Toed shoes are recommended. Sandals with or without a back are acceptable. Steel-toed boots are not acceptable.

Caps and hats are allowed at extra-curricular events, but must be worn appropriately. No caps/hats will be worn during school hours unless special student activities are taking place.

Body piercing, with the exception of earrings for girls, is not permissible. Earrings for girls will be limited to three per ear.

General Dress Code for both Boys and Girls - Body should be kept both fresh and clean through regular bathing with soap and water. Deodorant should be used to minimize offensive body odors. No makeup is allowed except as part of a school-related function.

Recommended Dress Code for P.E. - Tennis shoes for better support and pants with appropriate tops. Shorts under skirts are recommended.

Hair-

1. Hair is to be shampooed regularly and kept well groomed.
2. Bangs should not cover the eyebrows.
3. Boys' hair should not exceed the middle of the shirt collar. The length of hair should not pass the bottom of the ear lobe.
4. Hair is to be styled in a manner so that it stays pulled back from the eyes. Hairstyles of an extreme exhibitionist nature will not be allowed. Mohawks are not allowed.
5. For safety sake, dangling earrings should not be worn.
6. Hair color not within the range of normal hair color, such as purple, green, blue, pink, etc...shall not be worn. Nor shall shaves or verbal message be cut into or otherwise reflected hair style.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student will be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.