

# Oak Hall School

## Appearance Standards (All Divisions)

In recognition of the connection between standards of dress and performance, and in the spirit of professionalism, Oak Hall School has established guidelines for school dress and personal appearance. As Oak Hall students representing our values of scholarship, leadership, and service, and in respect of the educational process, students are expected to maintain a neat and orderly appearance.

Appearance standard violations may result in disciplinary action at the discretion of the Division Director. Requests for deviation from the uniform policy or appearance standards should be made to the Division Director and will be decided on a case-by-case basis. While these guidelines attempt to address most issues, it is not an exclusive list, and students are expected to adhere to the spirit and intent of the appearance standards.

### General Uniform and Clothing Standards

- Students are required to arrive on campus properly and neatly attired, and to remain in uniform throughout the school day.
- Lower School uniforms must be purchased through Land's End.
- Middle and Upper School uniform polo shirts, sweatshirts, and outerwear must be purchased through Land's End, the BSN Online School Store, or the on-campus school store. Middle and Upper School uniform bottoms may be purchased at any retailer of your choice, provided they meet the color and length requirements. Please refer to the School Uniform guidelines for more details.
- Uniform polo shirts should be worn under uniform sweatshirts or outerwear.
- Uniforms and spirit wear are required to be worn as the manufacturer intended. Over-sized or undersized clothes are not in uniform.
- Uniforms and spirit wear should be clean, in good repair, without rips or tears, and unaltered.
- Underwear may not be visible at any time.
- If an undershirt is worn, it should be plain white.
- Any item of clothing with a hood may not be worn indoors.
- Spirit wear, when permitted, is an Oak Hall-branded jersey, t-shirt, top, sweatshirt, or jacket that must be worn with a uniform-compliant bottom. Tank tops, backless attire, tops with spaghetti straps, see-through, ripped, or inappropriately tight clothing are not permitted. Spirit wear is permitted only on designated days.

### Hair

- Hair must be clean, well-maintained, and of a naturally occurring color.
- Hair must be kept away from one's eyes.
- Teachers may, in their discretion and when safety requires, request that a child secure their hair back and/or in a ponytail (such as during a lab or other activity where long hair presents a safety risk).

### **Jewelry and Accessories**

- Jewelry and accessories are acceptable if they do not distract from the learning environment.
- Tattoos, including temporary or sticker tattoos, may not be visible at any time.
- Lower School students should wear stud earrings only; hoop earrings are not permitted.
- No earbuds, headphones, smart watches, or phones should be used during school hours (8:30-3:30) unless directed to do so by a school faculty or staff.
- Sunglasses may not be worn indoors.