Our emphasis is placed on safety, neatness, cleanliness, modesty and academic excellence. A major purpose of our dress code is to convey to students the importance of school being a place of learning. Our intent is to help students “dress for success” and have the mindset that they are here to learn and to grow their minds. With that in mind, clothes that are appropriate for the gym, generally would not convey the intended message to our students-unless they are in gym class. Some clothes that are appropriate to wear to a concert, party or club, do not help to give students the message that their purpose here is to learn and improve in reading, writing, math, science, etc. We want our students to take learning seriously. Another purpose of a dress code is to help reduce misbehavior. An overwhelming number of studies show that the way a person dresses impacts their own behavior.

Our dress code standards are reflective of the Ogden School District Dress Code and were reviewed by the Highland Junior High School Community Council.

TOPS: All tops must have a strap that is at least 4 inches wide. They may not be sheer, see-through, mesh, lace, or netted. No tank tops or spaghetti straps are permitted unless worn WITH a t-shirt or top that meets dress code. The style of clothing must cover all underwear, bra straps and cleavage. The length of the top should be long enough to tuck in and/or cover the waistline of the pants or skirt (no bare stomachs/midriffs). ALL clothing must meet dress code even if it is covered by a jacket, hoodie or sweater.

BOTTOMS: Shorts and skirts must be approximately mid-thigh. Any pants with holes more than 4 inches above the top of the kneecap can only be worn if spandex pants are visible underneath. Pajama bottoms are not allowed. Both pants and shirts should completely cover underwear (sagging pants below the buttocks are not allowed - even with shorts underneath). Tight, form fitting clothing (such as spandex body suits, biker shorts, etc) are not to be worn unless in a PE class only.

SHOES: Students must wear proper shoes at all times.

ACCESSORIES: Accessories that are inappropriate for the school setting or have the possibility to be unsafe are not permitted. Chains, sharp jewelry and spikes are not allowed. Headgear, such as hoods, tessellated, paisley printed or traditional bandanas or sunglasses may not be worn in the building. A ball cap or knit cap may be worn. Exception: Headgear that is prescribed by a physician and/or is prearranged with school administration. Body piercing for students attending the Ogden School District must not be disruptive to the educational process.

DISRUPTIVE OR OFFENSIVE ITEMS: Offensive or obscene clothing will not be permitted at school including slogans or logos that depict:

- Controlled substances: alcohol, drugs and tobacco
- Foul, profane, vulgar, or abusive language
- Sexual overtones
- Excessive violence
- Clothing, makeup or hairstyles that are disruptive to the instructional process may be considered inappropriate and restricted by the school administration.
- Clothing or paraphernalia that is interpreted by the building administration as “gang related” is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, depictions of Marilyn Monroe or other figures with a bandana of any type, sports jerseys with some numbers and/or 东营 English font, traditional bandana pattern scarf of any color, clothing in all one color (e.g. blue on blue, red on red, etc.)