



Orange Lutheran High School

SCHOOL DRESS STANDARDS 2010-2011

Revisions, updates, and additions noted by underline

A student's appearance has an impact on his/her attitudes and behaviors. Respect for the school community and the education process is shown by students' attire. Not all fashions that are appropriate to be worn outside of school are appropriate for school. **The following dress standards have been established for appropriate dress at school and all school related functions to help maintain a sense of Christian modesty while also educating students as to what is appropriate dress in the school environment. If there is any question that an item may be inappropriate for dress, it should not be worn.**

Standards for appropriate school dress have been developed primarily based on the following four factors:

1. *Modesty*
2. *Messages*
3. *Safety*
4. *Distraction*

Shoes:

- Students must wear hard soled shoes; bedroom slippers are not permitted.
- For P.E. classes, students are required to wear athletic shoes (i.e. running shoes) and socks.

Hairstyles: The school administration reserves the right to require a student to change a hair style, groom facial hair, or change a hair color at any time the hair style, color, length, or grooming is considered inappropriate.

- Hairstyles (including facial hair) must not be extreme (as determined by administration) and should reflect careful grooming; hair must be clean with no ill-groomed or distracting styles or colors (colors should reflect natural hair colors).
- Hair may not be styled with "spikes" longer than 1/2" - no mohawks.
- Hair should not be so long that it hangs over students' eyes.

Accessories:

- Boys may not wear any pierced jewelry including "plugs" on campus or at any school related activities.
- For girls, ears are the only acceptable body piercings that may be visible on campus or any school related activities.
- Tattoos may not be visible on campus or any school related activities.
- Hats, head coverings, hair scarves, and bandanas are not permitted; hoods may not be worn covering the head or face. Students may wear hats outdoors only during inclement weather provided the message/logo meets the dress standards described for clothing.
- Sunglasses may not be worn during the school day.
- Stockings with any type of design or visible seams are not permitted. Solid colored opaque stockings are permitted.
- Chains of any kind, attached or unattached to clothing are not permitted.
- Spikes, rivets, or skull depictions on any articles of clothing, jewelry, or accessories are not permitted.
- Blankets may not be worn as outerwear.
- No swimming suits including board shorts may be worn (exception - APE Swim class).
- Accessories may not reference alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or gangs.
- Accessories may not promote any band, vocalist, concert group, or record label.
- Accessories may not promote any message, saying, or slogan that is contrary to the purpose, values, and standards of Orange Lutheran High School.

Clothing:

- Clothing is to be neat and in good taste.
- Undergarments may not be exposed or visible through clothing.
- Clothing must conceal cleavage, sides, back, and midriff. Female students must wear camisoles or tank tops beneath clothes that are sheer, low cut, or short in length. Bandeau tops are not permitted at school and cannot serve as an acceptable camisole beneath other garments.
- Clothing may not reference alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or gangs.
- Clothing may not promote any band, vocalist, concert group, or record label.
- Clothing may not promote any message, saying, or slogan that is contrary to the purpose, values, and standards of Orange Lutheran High School.
- Clothing may not be baggy, excessively over-sized, or sloppy in appearance.

- Clothing may not be immodest, revealing, or excessively tight.
 - Leggings and “jeggings” (jean-leggings) are permissible only when worn with a long top that reaches the mid-thigh.
 - Tube tops and halter-tops (including tube-top and halter dresses) are not permitted at school even with other articles of clothing worn over or underneath the tops.
- Clothing may not have excessive holes or rips or the appearance of holes above the knees.
- If a top is sheer, too low or too short, a camisole/tank top must be worn underneath.
- Plastic, vinyl, or leather clothing is not permitted.
- Spikes, rivets, or skull depictions on any articles of clothing, jewelry, or accessories are not permitted.
- Shorts must fit properly (specifically not too tight), adequately cover the top and bottom of the buttocks, and be modest in appearance (as determined by administration).
 - As a general guide, the length of the shorts should measure at least 2” from the inside seam of the crotch of the shorts to the edge of the inside of the shorts (2” inseam).
 - Shorts may not be cut-off or have excessively frayed edges. Shorts must be worn with flat shoes.
 - Spandex shorts are not permitted (except during Athlete’s PE classes/events as determined by the teacher/coaches and must be covered outside of Athlete’s PE class).
- Printed messages on the backside of shorts or pants are not permitted.
- The length of dresses and skirts must fall at the top of the knee at minimum (no more than four inches above the top of the knee cap). Mini-skirts are not permitted.
- Sleeveless shirts are acceptable provided undergarments, cleavage, sides, back, and midriff are not exposed and shirts are not excessively loose or tight; however, spaghetti strap tank tops are not permitted without a shirt or sweater over it.
- Pajamas, bedtime apparel, and blankets are not permitted at school including during final exams.

CONSEQUENCES FOR FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THE SCHOOL DRESS STANDARDS:

- Students will make the changes necessary to meet the school dress standards.
- Students will be subject to consequences according to the Discipline Plan.

The list above is not comprehensive. Orange Lutheran reserves the right to modify these standards as necessary during the school year. Dress Code offenses are accumulated according to the school year, not by semester. If there are questions concerning specifics, please contact the Success Center at (714) 998-5151 Ext. 693.

