Hazel Owens Elementary Student Dress Code

Students are expected to follow the following guidelines for appropriate school wear. Owens does not require standardized school dress. Determinations about the appropriateness of dress are made by the teacher and/or campus administration.

**Prohibited items:**

- Clothing that is cut low at the neck or underarm (tank tops and spaghetti straps).
- Sleeveless shirts should have a shoulder width of at least 2”.
- Clothing that exposes bare midriffs or the back of the person.
- Clothing that displays obscene or suggestive language or symbols, provocative pictures,
- advertisement for alcoholic beverages, tobacco or narcotics, weapons, violence, or inappropriate language.
- Clothing that promotes racially related symbols, emblems, pictures, words, or slogans.
- Clothing that is excessively loose and/or that results in “sagging”.
- Clothing that is see-through, provocative, or excessively tight.
- Clothing that is frayed or torn (this includes ripped-out knees in pants, excessively frayed hemlines, distressed jeans that expose skin, etc.)
- Additional Information:
  - Dresses, skirts, split garments and shorts should not be shorter than three inches above the knee/fingertip length in order to meet the appropriate requirement for school. Cutoff shorts, wind shorts, boxer shorts, short/shorts, jogging shorts, or bicycling shorts/pants are prohibited.
- Shorts should be hemmed or cuffed garments that are designed for outerwear.
- Footwear: Think safety. Closed-toed, lace-up shoes are best attire for school footwear. This prevents injuries when students are engaged in PE or on the playground during recess each day. Flip-flops are strongly discouraged.
- Haircuts, colors, and designs that may be disruptive are not allowed. If highlighting with an unnatural color, it must be minimal in nature. (Example: Mohawks, slogans, logos, initials, etc. are not allowed.)

Spirit Days:

To encourage goal-setting and higher education, Mondays are college days at Owens. Students are encouraged to wear college-logo shirts or sweatshirts to school.

Friday is the designated campus and district spirit day. Students and faculty/staff may wear jeans with a school spirit or college shirt, clothes that comply with the school standard of dress, or school clothes that meet TISD dress code.

The Owens Dress Code is certainly not a comprehensive review of district dress code policy, but rather a general overview to help make sure we are all following a consistent manner of dress for an environment of teaching and learning. If you would like to review the district dress code, it can be found at http://www.tasb.org/policy/pol/private/212905/.

Please remember that final decisions about the appropriateness of student dress will be determined by the campus administrators. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact the school office.