PARENT ORIENTATION/INTAKE 2024-2025



OPPORTUNITY AWARENESS CENTER

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2023-2024 OAC Dress Code

<u>Shirts</u>

High School students must wear one plain black collared (polo-style) shirt. Junior High students must wear one plain navy collared (polo-style) shirt. Elementary students must wear one plain white collared (polo-style) shirt. *All shirts must be free of designs, logos, emblems, etc.



Undergarments must be short sleeves and not have any logos or designs.

Only one (1) plain and solid colored undershirt may be worn at a time.

Shirts must fit properly, not be oversized, not be too tight, and not be revealing.

<u>Sweatshirts</u>

Pullover sweatshirts must be solid black, white, gray, or navy with no hoods and no pockets. Sweatshirts must be free of designs, logos, emblems, etc.

Students must wear a polo shirt that is within dress code under their sweatshirt at all times.

Pants 1 1

All students must wear khaki or black slacks with pockets that pull completely out in the front and back. Pants can only have two front pockets and two back pockets. No coin pockets or cargo pockets are allowed. Pants cannot contain rips or holes. Pants cannot have elastic or drawstrings on the waist or cuffs.

No denim, leggings, Jeggings, sweatpants, joggers, or athletic pants.

Pants must fit properly, be worn at the waist (not below), and may not be tight, revealing, sagging or baggy.

Only one undergarment, with no pockets, must be worn under pants. Students may not wear extra shorts or pants under their slacks.

Belts

Belts are required to be worn and must be white, black, navy, or gray football style belt (a canvas belt with D-Ring clasps). Belts must be worn through all belt loops and must remain on your pants at all times.



Shoes

Close-toed tennis shoes with laces must be worn. Shoes cannot have any weapon, drug, or gang affiliated logos. Shoes must be laced and always tied. No crocs, slides, sandals, slip ons, or boots are permitted.

Socks (one pair) must be worn and must not have any designs, graphics, cartoons, or pictures. Socks must be solid black, white, navy, or gray.

Accessories, Grooming, and Prohibited Items

Tattoos of an inappropriate nature must be covered. No tattoos that include weapons, drugs, gang affiliation, or racial connotations can be seen at any time.

Accessories are not permitted. No necklaces, bracelets, earrings, watches, rings, body piercings, sunglasses, gloves, or headgear.

You may not wear anything on your wrist, which includes scrunchies and hair ties.

Facial and body piercings are not permitted, including spacers.

Hair accessories are not permitted. This includes hair bows, scarves, ribbons, hair clips, extensions with metal, hair jewelry scrunchies, etc.

Nails must be natural (no acrylic, dip, shellac, etc.) and neatly groomed. No color or polish.

Purses, wallets, make-up bags, book bags and backpacks are not allowed on campus.

Makeup and accessories, perfume, chapstick, etc. cannot be brought to school. No pens or mechanical pencils.

Students cannot bring a cell phone, smart watch, or any electronic device to school.

Students do not need to bring money to school. If a student brings money, they will turn it in at check-in and it will be deposited in their lunch account.

Any article of clothing or grooming the principal or assistant principal determines is a safety issue or a disruption to the learning environment will be prohibited.

*If students bring prohibited items to school (including extra clothing) they will be confiscated, and a parent/guardian will need to come pick them up within 3 days. After the 3-day period they will be discarded in accordance with KISD policy.

Dress Code Infractions

If your student comes to school out of dress code, we will call you to bring them a change of clothes. They will not be able to go to class until they are in dress code.

Belts and socks will be sold via Pay-N-Go for students who need them. Belts will be \$4 per belt and socks will be \$2 a pair.

Students are provided one OAC ID that must be worn around their neck at all times in compliance with Katy ISD dress code. If this ID is damaged or lost, you will be required to purchase another ID for \$3 to comply with dress code.

If you are unable to bring them a change of clothes by 8:15, your student will be assigned In School Suspension. When you are in ISS, your day does not count as a day served towards your placement. In ISS, students are not permitted to sleep or put their heads down. Students will be given their course schedule and must log into their courses and complete work throughout the day.

OAC does not have spare clothing to give your student if they are out of dress code. You are expected to make sure they are in compliance each day.

Release From OAC

- OAC releases students when their placement is complete.
- OAC staff will reach out to the guardian when a student is eligible for release. Your student is not released until you hear from the OAC Administrative Office.
- Office Discipline Referrals, In School Suspension or Out of School Suspension for any reason, including dress code will impact your release date from OAC.
- Parents and students are provided a Katy ISD calendar in their intake packet. Parents and students are responsible for tracking your number of days served at OAC. This process is explained in orientation.
- Students are expected to come to OAC until the date they return to their home campus.

Trespassing

- Students who are currently enrolled at OAC are prohibited from being on any Katy ISD property with the exception of the OAC campus during school hours.
- Students cannot be on the OAC campus outside of school hours. Students must be picked up promptly at dismissal.
- Students cannot attend Katy ISD sporting events or extracurricular activities, even if they are held in a different district.
- Students may not use the playground, basketball courts, etc. at any Katy ISD property.
- Students can attend school sponsored events after they have been re-enrolled on their home campus.
- Students cannot drive to school. They are prohibited from parking in the school parking lot, at the stadium, in the neighborhood, or at the nearby church.
- If you are caught trespassing, you will receive an extension on your OAC placement and may face criminal charges.

General Rules

- Students are prohibited from sharing their cell phone number, email address, social media handles, etc. with other OAC students. Students caught passing information will be written up immediately.
- Students are prohibited from having any physical contact with each other, which includes handshakes, hugs, high fives, etc. Any physical contact will result in an immediate consequence.
- Students walk on the right side of the hallway in straight, single file lines during passing periods.
- Students are expected to be silent in the hallway and the cafeteria.
- Students must remain in their designated classroom area.
- Students must remain on appropriate websites and programs when accessing technology at OAC.
- Consequences at OAC are more severe than home campuses since we are a disciplinary placement and when students are asked to improve their behavior to meet our expectations, it is expected they will do this promptly.

Food on Campus

- Students are able to purchase breakfast on campus if they arrive to school on time. Students must be at OAC during check in time which ends at 7:25 am.
- All outside food must be consumed prior to entering the school building.
- Students are prohibited from bringing snacks to campus. No food is allowed outside of the cafeteria.
- Students may not share food with other students at OAC.
- Students are able to purchase lunch on campus. If they would like to bring their lunch it must be packed in a clear ziplock back. Ice packs are prohibited and a refrigerator is not available.
 - Lunches will be turned in during check-in, searched, and held in the office until lunch time. Any remaining food will need to be thrown away.
- All students at OAC will receive free breakfast and lunch.

Who to Contact

	Name	Phone	Email
Principal	Janelle Coleman	281-237- 6356	JanelleWColeman@katvisd.org
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*Please visit our website: <u>httQs://www.katyisd.org/OAC</u>

If you have questions about specific classes and your student's progress in these classes, please contact that specific teacher first before reaching out to administration.