## OSCEOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE 2018-2019

We believe that appropriate dress is essential to an orderly and productive school atmosphere. How you dress is a reflection of how you feel about yourself and how others see you. Students are expected to come to school well groomed and neatly dressed.

It is the joint responsibility of every student, parent, or guardian, and administrator to see that the dress of the student is appropriate and does not interfere with the teaching/learning process. Any time missed due to dress will be unexcused.

## Appropriate Dress for OMS Students is:

1. Shirts should be long enough to fully cover the midriff and all undergarments.

2. Sleeveless shirts with a collar may be worn. See-through blouses, shirts with spaghetti straps or bare midriffs, tank tops, revealing bareback blouses and shirts with low necklines are not acceptable (unless worn over a shirt which conforms to dress code).

3. Logos or images depicting inappropriate or vulgar language, sex (including innuendo or sexual overtones), drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products, or those that have been identified by the school as gang related, are not permitted at school.

4. Pants, shorts, and skirts must be *worn at the natural waist*, not showing underwear, *no shorter than three inches above the knee*, and not so long, so tight or wide that they cause a distraction, disruption, or safety hazard. If pants have holes or slits, the holes or slits must not reveal skin. Pajamas are not acceptable dress. Students with a habit of wearing pants too large to remain at the waist could be placed on a special dress code whereby they will be expected to wear a belt and tuck in their shirt.

5. Students must wear shoes at all times during the school day. Sneakers are needed for PE class. Bedroom slippers are not appropriate for school.

6. Students may wear sunglasses, hats, or other protective wear while outdoors. Hats and sunglasses are not to be worn in the building at any time. Violations will result in hats or sunglasses being confiscated, sent to the office, and must be picked up by a parent or guardian.

7. Gym Class: Students will be required to change for gym class into clothing and sneakers suitable for athletics. Gym clothing must meet the above requirements for school dress.

## Please Remember...

- 1. If there is a question on appropriate dress, the final decision will be made by the administration.
- 2. Items of clothing and accessories (jewelry, hair color, or other adornments) that cause a distraction, disruption in the learning process, or safety hazard are inappropriate.
- 3. If you do not meet the dress code, you will be sent to the office, where your parent or guardian will be contacted to correct the dress code violation. If no one can be reached, you will be expected to wear a substitute from the school's collection. Students will return to class when properly dressed.
- 4. Repeat dress code offenses could result in more severe consequences.
- 5. Wearing a jacket will not be an acceptable correction to inappropriate dress.