

# Uniform Policy

The Odyssey Dress code contributes to our culture. It is the belief that the wearing of a school uniform by scholars of The Odyssey Preparatory Academy assists in creating an environment conducive to a quality learning opportunity. It fosters an environment in which scholars focus on contributing their talents to the classroom and are appreciated and valued for their hard work.

The **ONLY APPROVED** shirts for boys and girls enrolled in grades K – 5 are the short sleeved or long sleeved green uniform shirt with the Odyssey logo.

**Uniform shirts:** Have only a short-sleeved undershirt or WHITE, BLACK OR DARK GREEN long-sleeved Shirt (Optional). Shirts will be tucked in at the waist at all times.

**Uniform Pants:** The ONLY APPROVED pants/shorts for boys and girls grades K – 5 are Dickie’s uniform line black pants/shorts. Capri pants are available for girls. Skirts and tights/leggings are NOT approved wear at The Odyssey Preparatory Academy.

**Pants will:**

- Be pulled up and snug above the hips
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- Be no longer than just above the sole of the shoe

**Shorts will:**

- Be no shorter than knee length
- Be no longer than the top of the knee

**Outerwear:** Any appropriate jacket may be worn to school but only the approved Odyssey sweatshirts may be worn in the classroom. Odyssey sweatshirts and hoodies may be purchased at the Odyssey Spirit Store located at 1495 S. Verrado Way (OI Campus) or through the parent portal.

**Dress Code:**

**All clothing will:**

- Be clean and neat
- Be the appropriate size (not skin tight or too large)
- Not be torn, tattered or written on
- Not interfere with the educational process or present a safety hazard as determined by The Odyssey Preparatory Academy administration

**Jewelry/Piercings will:**

- Be kept to a minimum
- Not include any piercing of visible body parts other than the ear/ears
- Include only appropriate neckwear, bracelets and belts
- Not interfere with the educational process or present a safety hazard

**Footwear will:**

Be required at all times  
Be lace up athletic shoes tied snugly at all times

**Hair will:**

Not be an extreme style (ex: no Mohawks)  
Be only natural hair colors  
Not interfere with the educational process or present a safety hazard as determined by 20 the Odyssey administration

**Headwear will:**

Only be worn outside the building and can be worn during recess and P.E.  
Be restricted to school appropriate designs that are not vulgar, violent, obscene, or gang related  
Not include "do-rags", bandanas or sweatbands

**Tattoos and body art will:**

Not be allowed (including permanent, temporary, henna or any other types of tattoos or body art)  
Temporary tattoos or body art will be washed off immediately  
Permanent and henna tattoos or body art will be covered at all times

**Backpacks and binders will:**

Be free of patches and any student writing  
Be free of logos, symbols or pictures that represent something illegal, violent, illicit or suggestive  
Subject to search by an Odyssey employee at any time, with or without warning