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JV and Varsity

Level 1: The first violation of the athletic policy will result in a loss of 20% of the regularly scheduled games for the season. The number of games missed will be based on 20% of the entire season, not the remainder of the season. If there are not enough games left in the season or playoffs to satisfy the number outlined in the consequence, the games to be missed will be carried over to the next sport season in which the student participates.

Level 2: The second violation of the athletic policy will result in suspension of all athletic participation for a term of one full calendar year. Students who are penalized at Level 2 will be allowed to try out for the same team one year later only if the one year anniversary date of the suspension occurs before the half-way point of the season. The half-way point will be determined using the number of days in the season beginning with the first day of practice and ending with the last game of the regular season.

Level 3: The third violation of the athletic policy will result in the loss of athletic participation privileges for the remainder of the students' academic career at O.F.A.

The recordings of these violations will begin when the student begins participating in JV or Varsity athletics, regardless of grade level.

Violation level 1 for Modified, JV or Varsity:

The student/athlete will:

- Miss 20% of the regularly scheduled games for the season. If there are not enough games left in the season or playoffs to satisfy the number outlined in the consequence, the games to be missed will be carried over to the next sport season in which the student participates.
- Attend and participate in practice each day; however, the student will not represent the school by participation in scrimmages or combined practices with other schools until game suspension is served.
- Attend all scrimmages/games and sit with the team.
- Complete the Seaway Valley Prevention Council Program.
- Reassure the hearing committee that the violation of the rules will not occur again.

Students commencing participation in high school athletics with recorded infractions of the modified athletic policy:

A) If the first offense of the JV/Varsity athletic policy occurs within two years of the last violation of the modified policy, the student's consequence will begin at Level 2.

B) If the first offense of the JV/Varsity athletic policy occurs after two calendar years have passed since the last violation of the modified policy, the student's consequence will begin at Level 1.

Students will be considered JV/Varsity (high school) athletes as soon as they participate in their first JV or Varsity sport regardless of grade level or athletic status in other sports.

Substance Abuse Awareness Program

Students penalized at any level of consequence will enroll in our substance abuse awareness program with Seaway Valley Prevention. This program must be completed within 8-10 weeks of the hearing; however, the athlete may resume participation in his/her sport immediately after the hearing (for Level 1 violation). **Participation is limited re: games.

If a student-athlete doesn't participate in the program, then he/she will no longer be eligible to participate in athletics at OFA. An athlete who is enrolled in the program is expected to participate in all practices and attend all games/contests with the team (on the bench), dressed, while on suspension.

DETENTION RULES

Students must report to detention by 3:00 p.m. Failure to attend detention is insubordination, resulting in ISS on the following day. Students who fail to attend detention will receive one (1) warning. Upon the second failure to serve detention, the student will be assigned to ISS the following day.

Students must bring work with them and the necessary pens, pencils, books, etc. Students assigned to D1, D2, or D3 may participate in Extra-Curricular activities after detention. Students may be excused for scheduled school activities and extenuating circumstances, but only at the discretion of the principal.

If a teacher wishes to have a student remain in his/her room during the detention period, a pass must be presented at the beginning of the period to the detention teacher. If the student completes his/her work with the teacher prior to dismissal of detention the student is to return to detention with a pass signed by the teacher; time made up with a teacher does not take the place of detention.

Students who regularly fail to complete detentions owed will not be allowed to attend or participate in extracurricular activities/athletic events.

Grades 7/8 ONLY- Lunch detention may be used in lieu of after-school detention, upon approval from the principal.

DANCE RULES

Admittance	No admittance will be granted to students who were: (1) absent from school on the day of the dance, (2) excused from school due to illness for any portion of the day, (3) suspended in school for any portion of the day or (4) suspended out of school for any portion of the day.
Chaperones	There must be a minimum of 6 chaperones – some male and some female PLUS an administrator. Chaperones must be assigned (1) to the entry/exit door, (2) to the concession area, (3) one at each entry/exit door to the gym and (4) inside the gym near the outside access doors.
Clothing	According to the Dress Code
Coat Racks	Coat racks will be available only if the organizers contact the Buildings & Grounds department.
Dancing	No inappropriate or dangerous dancing (moshing, crashing etc.)
End Time	9:00 p.m. for grades 7 & 8 and 11:00 p.m. for grades 9-12
Entrance/Exit	Students will enter and exit the building ONLY through the hallway and doors between the gyms.
Fire Alarm	In the event of a fire alarm, students must exit the building and wait for clearance from the Fire Department in order to re-enter.
Fog Emitters	Fog emitters cannot be used because they set off the smoke detectors.
Guests	There are no out of district guests permitted, except for Homecoming, Winter Ball, and Prom. Prior approval for guests to attend may be granted by a principal; photo ID is required.
Gym Doors	Both sets of interior access doors in the gym will be open.
Hallways	Hallways other than the one between the gyms and the adjoining one near the bathrooms are off limits – no exceptions.
Length	2 hours maximum for grades 7 & 8 and 3 hours maximum for grades 9-12
Lights	At no time will all of the gym lights be off.
Locker Rooms	The locker rooms are off limits – no exceptions.
Music	No inappropriate music.
Permission to schedule	Permission of the principal is required.
Re-entering	Once inside, students may not leave and re-enter for any reason.
Removal	Fighting or any other inappropriate behavior will result in immediate removal from the dance.
Screening	Students will be screened at the door to determine if they are under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
Student Behavior	Students are to be (1) inside the gym, (2) in the bathroom or (3) in the concession area. Students are not to be running in and out of the gym. Fighting or any other inappropriate behavior will result in immediate removal from the dance and the provisions of the Code of Conduct will be followed.
Telephones	Students may use the telephone in the work study office to phone for rides.
Who may attend a dance?	OFA students in the grade levels determined by the principals

LATE FOR CLASS

Students have three (3) minutes to pass between classes. If a student arrives late for class without a pass for an excused reason, he/she may be assigned a detention.

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LOCKERS

1. Each Student will be assigned to and responsible for a hall locker.
2. Lockers are to be kept locked.
3. Lockers and/or combinations are **not** to be shared.
4. Unauthorized padlocks are subject to removal.
5. Money and valuables should be stored in a locked locker. Large sums of money or valuables, if needed, can be brought to the office.
6. Lockers are to be in the same condition at the end of the school year as they were when assigned.
7. Jammed lockers are to be reported to the office for repair.
8. Lockers are the exclusive property of the school. The school is not responsible for items left in or taken from lockers (hall and/or P.E.) While students may have exclusive use of a locker as far as other students are concerned, students do **not** have such exclusivity over the locker as against school officials.

MARKING PERIODS

*Report cards are distributed four times a year for the High School. The last day of each marking period is listed below:

Middle/High School INTERIM REPORT DATES 2025-2026			
Quarter #1 – 5 weeks	Quarter #2 – 5 weeks	Quarter #3 – 5 weeks	Quarter #4 – 5 weeks
Thursday, October 2, 2025	Wednesday, December 10, 2025	Wednesday, March 4, 2026	Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Middle/High School MARKING PERIODS 2025-2026			
Quarter #1 (41 days)	Quarter #2 (44 days)	Quarter #3 (43 days)	Quarter #4 (46 days)
Friday, October 31, 2025	Friday, January 23, 2026	Thursday, April 2, 2026	Thursday, June 25, 2026

Report cards are distributed in Trimesters for the Elementary School.

Elementary Progress Reports 2025-2026		
Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3
October 17, 2025	February 6, 2026	May 13, 2026

Elementary Report Cards 2025-2026		
Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3
December 12, 2025	March 27, 2026	June 26, 2026

*****PENDING INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM APPROVAL*****

PASSES

Students are not permitted in the halls during class periods unless accompanied by a teacher nor have a hall pass from an authorized staff member.

If you wish to see a teacher during his/her conference period, you must arrange for this in advance. The teacher must give you a pass permitting you to be excused from Study Hall. You must deliver this pass to your study hall teacher at the beginning of the study hall period. The requesting teacher may make a call to the study hall teacher via the intercom phone.

PHONES

Cell phones are not to be used by students during the school day. Phones for emergency use before and after school are available in the Superintendent's Office, the 9-12 Office, and the 7&8 Office. All health-related emergencies must be handled through the Health Office.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1. Every student is assigned a gym locker and a lock (general locker rules apply here).
2. Replacement fee for the lock is \$10.00. Only school-issued locks are allowed.

Schedule Change- Class Period/Teacher change

It is school policy that once classes begin, schedules may not be changed for insignificant reasons. Every effort will be made to accommodate requests based on the following:

1. Teacher request because of class imbalance.
2. Student or teacher request because of serious unresolvable personality conflict.
3. Desire to change to a different academic level.

Every effort will be made to accommodate requests, but the decision will be based on what is best for the total educational program as well as the individual student and/or teacher

Dropping a course- grades 9-12

- A. If a student wishes to withdraw from a course, he/she must make the request of his /her Guidance counselor. The counselor will contact the teacher and parents to discuss it with them, explaining all ramifications. If the student still wishes to drop the course the student will secure the required form(s) from the guidance office and obtain the necessary comments and signatures in the order in which they appear on the form and return the form to the Guidance office in a reasonable time.
- B. Students who drop any semester course after the first 6 days of a cycle will receive a 50 for the rest of the semester in which the drop occurs. Students who drop a full year course after the first 12 days of a cycle will receive a 50 for the rest of the semester in which the drop occurs.
- C. The student is not to be absent from the course until final approval is obtained and he/she is notified by the counselor that the request has been approved.

SCHOOL PROPERTY

Books, equipment, uniforms, etc. that are loaned to the student must be properly cared for. Students are financially responsible for any and all property issued to them by the school. Property lost or damaged will be charged to the student at a cost determined by the principal.

SENIOR PRANK

Any student who participates in a senior prank that results in embarrassment, is harmful in any way, or causes injury to any person or animal, or destruction to any property may not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.

SIGNING IN – See ATTENDANCE

SIGNING OUT – See ATTENDANCE

Summer School

Students who fail a course or students who lose credit for a course due to excessive absences may retake the course, with administrative approval, in summer school. Students who have missed $\geq 25\%$ (≥ 45 classes) of the school year (full-year course) will not qualify for summer school retakes and will be required to repeat the course in its entirety the following year. The maximum number allowed for a semester course is $\geq 25\%$ (≥ 23 classes).

DETENTION LEVELS: D1 = 3:00 – 3:15 D2 = 3:00– 3:30 D3 = 3:00 – 3:45 D4 = 3:00 – 4:00, No participation in any activity that day
3 nights D4 may equal 1 day ISS, 1st night D4 misses extra-curricular participation
**At a Formal Hearing, the Superintendent may extend an Out-of-School suspension or expel the student. ^^^ In-School or Out-Of-School Suspension at Administrator's discretion^^^ (dependent on severity and/or frequency of the offense)*
****Hearing indicates that a Superintendent's Hearing may be required prior to the return to school. Student and Parent/Guardian will be notified by the building principal whenever a hearing is required.*

	NATURE OF OFFENSE	No.	DISPOSITION	OTHER ACTION
24	Larceny [LA] (stealing or in possession of stolen property)	1+	Suspension^^^	Letter home, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, Return or replacement of stolen item(s).
25	Leaving the building without permission [LB]	1+	Suspension	Letter home
26	Lying or distorting facts [LY] (includes defamation)	1+	D4	Letter home
27	Physical harassment (including off campus as appropriate) [PH] (hazing, hair pulling, hitting, punching, shoving, scratching pushing, striking, or kicking another person to cause injury)	1+	1 day Suspension^^^ 3 days Suspension^^^ 5 days Out-of-School Suspension**	Letter home, Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials
28	Possession alcohol [PA]	Refer to Drug and Alcohol Policy		
29	Possession of a prescription or over-the-counter medication [PC]	Refer to Drug and Alcohol Policy		
30	Possession of illegal drugs [PD]	Refer to Drug and Alcohol Policy		
31	Possession of drug paraphernalia [PP]	Refer to Drug and Alcohol Policy		
32	Possession of a handgun [PG]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, Expulsion as per Gun Free Act 1994
33	Possession of a rifle [PR]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, Expulsion as per Gun Free Act 1994
34	Possession of firearms [PF]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, Expulsion as per Gun Free Act 1994
35	Possession of a knife [PK]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, 1-year out-of-school suspension
36	Possession of other weapons [PW]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, 1 year out-of-school suspension
37	Possession of a chemical/biological agent [PB]	1+	5 Days Out-of-School Suspension*	Letter home, Formal Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials, 1-year out-of-school suspension
38	Possession of lighter/matches [PM]	1 2+	Confiscate, D4 Confiscate, Suspension^^^	Letter home
39	Possession or use of cigarettes or other tobacco products, this includes e-cigarettes and any vaping materials [PT]	1+	Confiscate, Suspension^^^	Letter home
40	Public lewdness [PL] (exposing private parts)	1+	5 Days Suspension	Letter home, Hearing***, Notify Law Enforcement Officials
41	Reckless behavior [RB] (actions that jeopardize the safety and welfare of others, displaying what appears to be a weapon, etc.)	1+	Suspension^^^	Letter home