

Connections Classes

Art

Band

Business & Computer Science

Chorus

Construction

Family & Consumer Science

Health Care Science

Introduction to Spanish

Native Speakers Spanish Introduction

Physical Education and Health

Tech Media

Theatre Arts

DRESS CODE

The following are the types of clothing that **cannot** be worn at AOD:

- Clothes with holes (pants with holes below the knees are allowed)
- See through clothing
- Leggings and jeggings
- Excessively baggy or tight clothing
- Mini skirts or short shorts (**Dollar Bill Rule**)
- Tube top; strapless dresses
- Shirts that expose the stomach
- Sleeveless shirts (shirts **must cover shoulders**)
- Hats, bandanas
- Items with suggestive or inappropriate words, pictures, symbols, alcohol or drug depictions

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED AT SCHOOL

- Skateboards/roller blades or shoes with rollers
- Toys such as water guns, squirt toys, whoopee cushions, playing or trading cards, yoyo's, etc.
- Harmful objects
- Objects that disrupt the learning environment
- Glass bottles or cans (no soft drinks)
- Obscene magazines, pictures, or literature
- Lighters or matches
- Cameras, video equipment, or recorders
- Personal items or clothing that advertise alcohol, tobacco, drugs, gangs, etc.
- Metal chains of any kind (belts or wallet chains)
- Laser pointers or lights

For a full description of each connections class, and to sign up for Band or Chorus, please go to <https://shms.hallco.org/web>



Academies of Discovery at South Hall

**6th Grade
Orientation
2019**

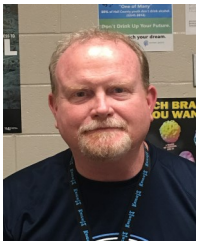


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*A Note from
Mr. Millwood*

Dear Knights,

I am so excited that you will soon become part of our family of learners! As the Lead Learner, it is my job to make sure each of you is challenged and supported during the three years that you will spend in this marvelous school. Your teachers are eagerly planning your educational experiences.

Being a successful student will require that you work to your full potential and become involved in what AOD offers. Attending school regularly, actively learning, and behaving appropriately are expected actions for you each day. You will meet new friends, develop new skills and interests, and begin to set goals for your future.

Starting middle school is a big step in your journey to adulthood. You are most likely excited and afraid of what awaits you in August, and that is perfectly normal! We **WILL** be here to help you each and every day.

Your schedule and some other orientation materials will be mailed to your house this summer. Please watch your mail for important information and times you may visit the school.

Enjoy your last days of elementary school and know that we are excited for what the future holds for you as our newest Knights!

Go Knights!

Joey Millwood

KNIGHTS



Keeper of wisdom
Noble in character
Inquisitive learners
Generous in spirit
Honorable with friends
Thoughtful speakers
Seeking to improve the world

SCHOOL INFORMATION

MASCOT: KNIGHT

COLORS: COLUMBIA BLUE, NAVY AND WHITE

HOURS: 8:20AM– 3:20PM

ATTENDANCE

Regular school attendance is essential for a quality education. In case of a necessary absence, you must bring a written excuse containing the reason from a parent/guardian or a doctor's note. Students who have five unexcused absences will receive a state mandatory letter. Students with ten or more absences are referred to the school social worker.

COUNSELORS

Dr. Elrod and Mrs. Owens will work **with** students in many settings. Throughout the year, they will conduct classroom guidance, hold small group sessions on pertinent topics, and counsel students individually as needed.

CELL PHONE USE

According to Hall County Board of Education policy, you may have a cell phone, but it **MUST** be turned OFF during school hours and should be kept on your person for safekeeping.

