Gear needed at Creation Ridge



"There is never inappropriate weather - only inappropriate clothing!"

Oaki Wear Rain Suit - Students must have an Oaki Rain Suit by the FIRST day of school; if it rains - we put them on. Students also wear these daily once the weather turns colder.

- Please order a size larger than what your child typically wears as they will wear this suit all year, even OVER their winter snow clothes. (https://oaki.com/collections/girl-rainwear)
- We have a discount for Oaki.com discount code: CreationRidge.
- ZCS has secured a grant that will allow us to offer a few Oaki suits for rent to students this upcoming year. Please let us know if you would like more information about this.

Typical 'Cool' Days

- Closed-toe shoes
- Lightweight mittens <u>like these</u> or <u>these</u> or <u>these</u> for when it's 50 and windy.
- Light jacket with ability to have layers under
- Comfortable clothes (they will get dirty)

Rainy Days

- Rubber boots Insulated Rubber boots, similar to <u>these</u>, would be a great investment that you can wear all year. Parents have found <u>these</u> are very comfortable as well.
- Waterproof mittens these are not a necessity but are great for rainy cold days.
 (Neoprene style <u>like this</u> works great)

Typical 'Cold' Days

- 2 pairs of Insulated Mittens (1 pair for backup) this style great for the brutal cold. This style without a zipper works well too. This unique style works well for some children.
- Warm hat a facemask style hat <u>like this</u> is great for windy days.
- Neck Warmer (no scarves please)
- Snow pants with reinforced knee, like these
- Winter jacket
- Warm socks but not too tight (If you wear tight socks your feet get cold)
- Fleece and long underwear/leggings etc. for layering under clothing
- Insulated Rubber Boots, like these

Tips & Tricks:

- Be sure to include 1 full set of extra clothes in your child's backpack each day, including socks & underwear
- The playscape at Creation Ridge is prone to being windy so gear for your child's head and hands is very important once the weather gets colder.
- Please note that it is important to pull your child's Oaki suits as tight as possible at the wrists and ankles to ensure your child's clothing doesn't get wet.
- Wet Bag a sealable plastic bag to store wet clothing so the rest of their items stay dry.
- Layers of clothing are essential on very cold days to ensure your child stays warm.
- Children aren't always good at speaking up when they are wet or cold so please coach your child to advocate for themselves at school.