

Oakwood

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Dorm Rooms

Oakwood Friends School has three dorms. Craig Dorm is for boys and Reagan and Newlin Dorms are for girls. Each dorm room accommodates two students with a bed, a dresser, a closet, and a desk for each student. Both dorms have a student lounge, computer room and a communal kitchen.

Dress Code

The dress code at Oakwood Friends School is casual. Students should always be 'neat, clean and covered'. More specific dress requirements will be outlined in our Student Handbook, provided to students at orientation in September. There are times when students like to 'dress up' for class dinners, outings, trips to NYC, etc. Poughkeepsie is in a Continental Climate zone with four seasons and average temperatures between 30F/1C (winter) to 79F/26C (spring).

What to Bring (Packing List)

Clothing

Sweatshirts
Sweatpants
Tee-shirts
Long sleeve shirts
Blue-jeans, pants
Shorts
Underwear, socks
Pajamas, bathrobe, slippers
Sweaters
Hat, gloves, scarves
Coat or outerwear jacket, raincoat or rain jacket
Shoes, sneakers, boots for snow
Plastic sandals (Flip-Flops) for the shower
One nice outfit for special occasion

Sport Equipment

Cleats (for soccer or X-country), athletic socks, training or practice wear

Accessories

Fan
Clothing hangers
Towels & wash cloths
Room air fresheners
Surge protectors
Sheets
Pillow and pillowcases
Blankets, bedspread
Curtains (if desired)
Desk lamp
Laundry bag & laundry detergent
Wastebasket
Alarm clock
Storage containers for snacks
Personal toiletries & carrying case
Umbrella
Small rug (if desired)

Oakwood Friends School is near a major shopping mall so students may want to purchase some of the above items when they arrive on campus. There is a Walgreen's, Macy's, Target, and many other popular stores. We also have a store on campus for books, Oakwood Friends sweatshirts, tee shirts, etc. students are given school team uniforms for the playing season. Students may bring musical instruments and computers.

Banking

Oakwood Friends School maintains a campus bank for student use. Times of operation will be posted in the mailroom. Students are advised to keep only small amounts of cash in their rooms, and to deposit other funds in the student bank. Normally, students find that \$20 - \$25 weekly is adequate spending money. Parents can stipulate the amount of money that students may withdraw from the bank on a weekly basis. However, parents should leave money on deposit in the student bank to cover extra expenses for weekend activities, travel, and emergencies. If a student wishes to make a withdrawal of more than \$300, permission from the student's parents or guardians is needed.

Off Campus Banking

There are several national and international banks located near the Oakwood Friends School campus. Students can open personal accounts but they must have an adult sign as a co-account holder if the student is less than 18 years of age. At the present time students less than 18 years of age can not be issued debt cards; only ATM cash cards are available to minors.

Bookstore

Textbooks, supplies, Oakwood souvenirs and apparel (sweatshirts, tee shirts, hats, etc.) are available for purchase in the Bookstore located in the Main Building in the mailroom, and athletic office. Students have the option of paying cash or billing expenses to their account.

Helpful information for making your travel arrangements

Transportation

Kennedy, LaGuardia or Newark Airports

Kennedy, LaGuardia or Newark airports are the major airports in the NYC metropolitan area. We can only help arrange pick up service for students at these airports with advance arrangements made with our Dean of Residential Life. Or search: <http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/>

Stewart International Airport

The closest airport to Oakwood Friends School is Stewart International Airport in Newburgh, NY. Students can fly from anywhere in the world to Atlanta, Georgia and take a flight from Atlanta to Newburgh. Oakwood is about 30 minutes from this airport. Students can arrange with our Dean of Residential Life to be picked up by Oakwood Friends School at Stewart International Airport. The Website for Stewart Airport is: <http://www.stewartintlairport.com/about.html>

Trains

Trains run from Grand Central or Penn Station in New York City to Poughkeepsie. The website for the Metro North Train line at Grand Central is: <http://www.mta.info/mnr/index.html> and for schedules: http://as0.mta.info/mnr/schedules/sched_form.cfm.

The website for the Amtrak train line at Penn Station is:

http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=Amtrak/Schedules_Page

We can pick students up at the Poughkeepsie Train Station which is 10 minutes from our campus with advance notice of arrival.

For Visiting Parents and Families

There are several hotels in the area. We do not endorse any hotel in particular; we simply list here the two hotels closest to campus and within walking distance of Oakwood Friends School:

Hampton Inn & Suites Poughkeepsie

Tel. 845-463-7500

Fax 845-462-1474

www.poughkeepsiesuites.hamptoninn.com

The Residence Inn (Marriott)

Tel. 845-463-4343

Fax 845-463-4344

Toll-free: 1-800-331-3131

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/pouri-residence-inn-poughkeepsie/