

OAKTREE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
**PLAYGROUND RULES**

**PLAY STRUCTURE**

- The play structure is for your enjoyment and has many places to climb but the sides or top are not one of them.
- You may climb on the monkey bars but not on the top!
- The ladders, poles, and other climbers are one way only. Please wait your turn.
- On the Rock Wall, do not pull on the feet or legs of others.
- Slide down the slide on your bottom, feet first only. Walking up and down the slide is not allowed.
- Only one person at a time on a slide – and please do not put snow on it.
- Do not try to shake people off of the Bongo steps.
- On the zip line, a gentle push is all that is necessary to get a friend moving.
- Make sure that you climb down from the play structure, and get off the swings carefully. Jumping off any of the equipment is not allowed.
- When someone is swinging, be sure to keep a safe distance away.

**BASKETBALL, SOCCER, FOOTBALL AND TAG**

- The playground balls are not kick balls, so please do not kick them. The soccer ball is the only ball that should be kicked and must be used in the soccer field area only. (Soccer is a weather-permitting sport.)
- Basketball is not a contact sport, please do not play rough.
- Football games are to be **touch only**.
- When you are on the cement or woodchips, there are NO running games (i.e. tag, chase, red rover, etc.). Tag or chase games are only to be played in designated running areas which are the grassy areas, weather permitting.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Stay on the cement side of the wood fence. If a ball goes behind the fence, a Playground Supervisor will be happy to get it for you – just ask.
- Wood chips, gravel, snow or ice are not allowed to be thrown, tossed or kicked.
- Because of head lice concerns, jackets must be worn or tied around the waist. They shouldn't be on the ground.
- If you are playing any activity too rough, you will not be allowed to play and we reserve the right to shut down the game.
- Please keep your hands to yourself.

***If you are bleeding, stay put, and have a friend find an adult right away.***

**WHEN THE WHISTLE OR BELL RINGS**

- Please return all playground equipment to the ball cart when recess is over.
- Be sure to line up as soon as the whistle is blown and wait for instructions.
- Remember, classes are in session. Please go quietly to and from recess in the hallways.

*This list may not cover every circumstance. Any child doing something inappropriate or unsafe will be asked to stop.*