

Hallway Traffic

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Here at Oak Hills there are over 2,500 students. Imagine all of these students cramming through the hallways at the same time with no system at all. With many freshmen not knowing what direction to go and upperclassmen acting like they own the place it makes it very hard to go places without getting stuck in the middle of a sea of students and teachers in the hallway. Ridiculous, unacceptable, or not a problem at all? Some people think It's time for a change, and some have learned to live with it.



All of these students flooding through the halls at the same time can cause a number of problems. You may ask, "What problems?" To begin, all of this chaos in the hallways can cause injuries from pushing other people, making people angry and causing fights, and for some people this causes them to be late for class.

Some may say hallway traffic is not a problem at all and doesn't affect everyday student life. Oak Hills student Julian Marr says, "I really don't think it's a problem, I just push through and move on with my day." Many agree with this statement, but some believe a system should be developed to help stop the "madness".

For instance, Oak Hills student Nathan Tarter believes "teachers and staff should stand in the hallways and intersections between hallways to direct students." This could be beneficial, but could also clog up the hallways even more. Oak Hills Student Cade Newman suggests that "they need to set up some kind of light system, I mean I'm almost late to classes because of the 4-way intersection." Former oak hills student Matthew Doherty's mom claims "It has been a problem for decades!" With all of these negative opinions on hallway traffic, you would think a solution would have been developed by now.

It seems like some days here at oak hills the hallways are not as bad as other days. Do you think this problem needs to be addressed? Or is it not a big deal?