

Oneonta City Schools

DRESS CODE

We at Oneonta High School recognize that choice of attire and grooming are matters of personal taste. However, we must require that students appear at school clothed and groomed in an appropriate manner that will enable us to maintain an atmosphere that is conducive for learning.

Any article of clothing or manner of style or make-up determined by the administration to be disruptive to the learning environment or hazardous to the health and safety of the student(s), or teaching, shall not be allowed; including, but not limited to length of skirts and shorts, hair style, etc.

1. Length of shorts or skirts must be no more than four (4) inches from the bend of the knee while seated or kneeling. Special groups (cheerleaders, band, etc.) may be exempt from this during pep rallies.
2. Clothing or jewelry which advertise alcohol or drugs, or with writing, pictures, or patches which advertise alcohol or drugs, which are vulgar, or in poor taste will not be allowed.
3. Shoes or sandals will be worn at all times. No cleated shoes or house shoes are allowed.
4. Students will not wear any type of head coverings in the school except on special occasions with the principal's permission. Grooming combs will not be worn during school.
5. Students will not wear sunglasses inside the building except with the principal's permission.
6. Jeans, pants, shorts, or shirts with holes anywhere or writing across the seat will not be allowed.
7. Sagging is inappropriate for school dress. Pants or shorts should fit, or be belted, so that they do not fall excessively low, or require constant attention to keep pulled up. Items hanging from pants, shorts, and/or pockets will not be allowed (ex. Bandanas, towels, head wraps, etc.).
8. Students will not wear pajamas in the school except on special occasions with the principal's permission.

9. Shirts and blouses must exceed the pants and skirts AT ALL TIMES. Shirts/blouses WILL NOT REVEAL CLEAVEGE OR MIDRIFFS when the student is seated, leans forward, or when the student raises his or her arms. Teachers will check for dress code compliance each day.

10. No jewelry or chains will be worn that could cause an injury to another student.

11. Halters, tank tops, backless tops, spaghetti strap tops, off-the-shoulder tops, see-through shirts and blouses, or any other clothing determined to be too revealing, suggestive, disruptive, or in poor taste will not be worn at school.

12. All earrings must be removed during shop and P.E. classes.

- **Activity sponsors may establish different rules for dress and grooming as a prerequisite for membership and participation in the activity.**

- **A suggested rule of thumb to follow: If there is a question as to the appropriateness, get approval first.**

- **The following disciplinary procedures will apply to any student violating the dress code.**

1st violation: The student will have a change of clothing brought to them or they may stay in in-school suspension that day.

2nd violation - Student will be assigned one (1) day of in-school suspension.

3rd and subsequent violations - Student will be suspended