

SCHROON LAKE

5311.5

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The responsibility for the appearance of students rests primarily with the parents and the students themselves. However, the Board of Education requires students to attend school in appropriate dress that meets health and safety standards and does not interfere with the learning process.

The Board also requires students to wear appropriate protective gear in certain classes (e.g., home economics, shop, P .E.). Hats, clothing and attire which bear an expression or insignia which is obscene or libelous, which advocates racial or religious prejudice, or is disruptive, is forbidden. However, the Board, after consulting with the community and in keeping with community standards prohibits students from wearing hats in the classroom.

Teachers may apply temporary restrictions on loose clothing, unbound long hair, etc., during activities when such constitute safety hazards to the student or his/her classmates. In the case of athletics, legally approved rules by the league, section and State shall prevail. When necessary, special equipment shall be worn in the manner prescribed by the teacher.

Nothing in the above policies prohibits the professional staff from discussion concerning appearance with students. This does not mean that student, faculty, parent groups may not recommend appropriate dress for school or special occasions. It means that a student will not be prevented from attending school or a school function, or otherwise be discriminated against so long as his/her dress and appearance meets the requirements set forth above.

The Superintendent of Schools and other designated administrative personnel shall have the authority to require a student to change his/her attire should it be deemed inappropriate according to the above guidelines.