

◆ Any clothing, jewelry, accessory, body adornment or grooming that contains advertisements, symbols, words, slogans, expressions, symbols or pictures that:

- ↳ Is or has the potential to be disruptive to the educational process;
- ↳ Refer to drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or weapons of any kind;
- ↳ Are obscene, profane, vulgar, lewd or libelous;
- ↳ Contain references or messages of a sexual nature, including trademarks that promote sex (i.e. "Playboy Bunny");
- ↳ Threaten the safety and welfare of any person; and
- ↳ Promote any activity prohibited by Mohonasen Central School District's Student Code of Conduct.

* NOTE: The final determination as to whether or not student attire is appropriate will be made by the Principal or the Principal's designee.



You Are What You Wear!

*EXPECTATIONS FOR
STUDENT DRESS:
Dressing for Success
at
Draper Middle School*

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Dear Parents & Guardians:

We, at Draper Middle School, know that parents want to help their children dress for success at school and beyond. Therefore, we have developed this brochure in order to help you and your child understand what is and what is not appropriate dress for school.

Students who are dressed appropriately are better able to learn, do not become distracted, avoid unsafe situations and are generally happier and more successful as they maneuver through these challenging years of their lives.

Because of so much media influence, we know it can be challenging at times to insist your child is dressed appropriately for school. We hope that you will rely on these guidelines when shopping for school clothes and when talking to your children about their appearance. Most of these guidelines can be applied not only to Draper Middle School, but also to the day-to-day workplace. And, keep in mind, that school is a child's first "workplace".

This brochure clarifies expectations for student dress by providing examples of clothing, footwear, jewelry and other accessories that would be viewed by school administrators as inappropriate. Please be aware that these dress expectations apply to all school events and activities that take place at the Middle School (i.e., Teen Town, sporting events, etc.).

It is up to the discretion of Draper Middle School's administration to determine whether or not the attire is appropriate. Students who are deemed to be inappropriately dressed will be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offending item. If necessary, parents will be called to bring appropriate articles of clothing to school.

Questions or concerns? Please call the Middle School Office at 356-8350.

Thank you for supporting your child's success in middle school!

Debra Male, Principal
Scott Hays, Assistant Principal



The following examples do not meet expectations for appropriate school attire. These items include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ Hats/Caps;
- ◆ Bandanas/Do-Rags;
- ◆ Sweatbands;
- ◆ Hoods;
- ◆ Sunglasses;
- ◆ Flannel Pants;
- ◆ Jewelry that creates a safety hazard, including: chains, leashes, dog/cat collars, studs, spikes, safety pins, wallets on chains;
- ◆ Footwear that presents a safety or health hazard, such as slippers or shoes with wheels;
- ◆ Shorts/skirts that measure shorter than the student's extended fingers when arms are down at sides;
- ◆ Jeans/pants that are worn in a manner that allows underwear or bare skin to show;
- ◆ Tops that do not completely cover the torso (stomach and back) at all times, including: halter tops, spaghetti straps, off-the-shoulder tops, bare-midriff tops, fishnet, and tops and tank tops that are low cut or have extremely large armholes;

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