

Oriskany

— HIGH SCHOOL —

2022-2023 HANDBOOK



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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to Oriskany Junior/Senior High School! Our faculty and staff are excited to work with you to make the 2022-2023 school year productive, exciting and successful. Educational success for all students cannot be achieved without an effective partnership with parents/guardians. We look forward to working with parents as we work to accomplish our school goals.

This handbook serves as a guideline for students at the Oriskany Jr./Sr. High School and does not supercede the policy manual set forth by the Oriskany Central School District Board of Education. I encourage students and parents to review and familiarize themselves with the content of this handbook.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the main office at 315.768.2063.

Let's work together to make '22-'23 the best year yet! Oriskany Proud!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mr. Andrew Kennedy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "K".

ORISKANY JR./SR. HS PRINCIPAL

Oriskany Jr/Sr High School Calendar 2022-2023

August	31	Superintendent's Conference Day
September	1	Superintendent's Conference Day
	5	Labor Day
	6	First Day of Instruction
October	7	Superintendent's Conference Day
	10	Columbus Day
November	11	Veterans Day
	23-25	Thanksgiving Recess
December	23-Jan 2	Holiday Recess
January	16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
	24-27	Regents Examinations
February	20-24	Mid-Winter Break
March	17	Early Dismissal
	17	Superintendent's Conference Day
April	7-14	Spring Recess
May	29	Memorial Day
June	13	Last Day of Instruction
	14-23	Regents Examinations
	23	Commencement

Oriskany Jr/Sr High School

1312 Utica Street, Oriskany, NY 13424

Oriskany CSD

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Tammy Vaughn, Secretary

Social Worker

Mrs. Brittany Weibel

Nurse

Mrs. Maryruth Stopera

School Resource Officer

Mr. Wayne Griffith

Transportation

Mr. Al Salisbury, Supervisor

Telephone Numbers

Main Office: 315.768.2063
Office of Counseling and Career
Services: 315.768.2065
District Office: 315.768.2058
Bus Garage: 315.768.2060

Oriskany Jr/Sr High School Faculty

Art

Ms. Smith

Business

Mrs. Musacchio

English

Ms. Cronauer

Ms. Rogers

Mrs. LoCash

Ms. Valente

Health and FACS

Mrs. Cortese

Mathematics

Ms. Bates

Ms. Jenks

Ms. Millick

Mr. Vedete

Media Center

Mrs. Tamburino

Music

Mrs. Roberts

Mrs. Gutowski

Physical Education

Mr. Murphy

Mrs. Pruckno

Science

Mrs. Mann

Mrs. Sciorilli

Mr. Weigandt

Ms. Hughes

Social Studies

Ms. Bookstaver

Mr. Pierson

Mr. Wojdyla

Spanish

Ms. Balzano

Mrs. Perez

Special Education

Mr. Bauer

Mr. Donohue

Mrs. Piersma

Mrs. Fitzgerald

Technology

Mr. Lallier

Teaching Aide/Monitor

Ms. DiDone

Mrs. O'Connor

Teaching Assistants

Mrs. Domenico

Mrs. McGrath

Mrs. Romano

Mrs. Sydoriw

OCS MISSION STATEMENT

"The mission of the Oriskany Central School District is to educate, engage, and empower students to excel in an ever-changing world. We are committed to our tradition of personal attention, positive relationships, and an innovative climate for learning."

Bell Schedules

Daily Schedule

	7:50 a.m.	Entrance bell
	7:57 a.m.	Warning bell
Period 1	8:00-8:45	Announcements
Period 2	8:48-9:29	
Period 3	9:32-10:13	
Period 4	10:16-10:57	
Period 5	11:00-11:41	Grade 9-12 Lunch: 11:00-11:30
Period 6	11:33-12:14	Grade 7-8 Lunch: 11:44-12:14
Period 7	12:17-12:59	
Period 8	1:02-1:43	
Period 9	1:46-2:47	
	2:27-2:55	Activity Period

Special Schedules

	ONE-HOUR DELAY	TWO-HOUR DELAY	EARLY DISMISSAL
Period 1	9:00-9:36	10:00-10:28	8:00-8:27
Period 2	9:39-10:12	10:31-10:57	8:30-8:55
Period 3	10:15-10:48	11:00-11:27	8:58- 9:23
Period 4	10:51-11:24	11:30-11:57	9:26-9:51
Period 5	11:27-12:02	12:00-12:27	9:54-10:19
Period 6	12:05-12:39	12:30-12:57	10:22-10:47
Period 7	12:42-1:15	1:00-1:27	10:50-11:15
Period 8	1:18-1:51	1:30-1:57	11:18-11:45
Period 9	1:54-2:27	2:00-2:27	11:48-12:15

Communication Chart

Chain of Command

Question About ...	1st Contact	2nd Contact	3rd Contact	4th Contact
Academics	Teacher	Counselor	Principal	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Principal	Superintendent
Behavior/Discipline Issues	Teacher	Principal	Superintendent	Board of Education
Classroom Issues	Teacher	Counselor	Principal	Superintendent
Extra-Curricular Activities	Advisor	Principal	Superintendent	
Scheduling	Teacher	Counselor	Principal	Superintendent
Scholarships	Counselor	Principal	Superintendent	
Social Conflicts	Teacher	Counselor	Principal	Superintendent
Special Education	Teacher	Principal	Director of Special Programs & Support Services	Superintendent

Office of Counseling and Career Services

The Office of Counseling and Career Services is designed to help every student be successful in school and prepare every student to be college and career successful when they leave OCS. Every student is assigned a school counselor who will help him/her with any questions or concerns he/she might have. School counselors work with students individually and in groups to address academic, behavioral, and social-emotional concerns as well as for college and career planning.

A Course Description book is available for all students in the Office of Counseling and Career Services. Students are encouraged to obtain a copy of this information to prepare for class selections.

New York State Diploma Requirements Applicable to All Students Enrolled in Grades 9-12

Credit Requirements

(Apply to all diploma types: local, Regents,
Regents with advanced designation)

	Minimum number of credits
English	4
Social Studies <i>Distributed as follows:</i> U.S. History (1) Global History and Geography (2) Participation in Government (%) Economics (%)	4
Science <i>Distributed as follows:</i> Life Science (1) Physical Science (1) Life Science or Physical Science (1)	3
Mathematics	3
Languages Other than English (LOTE)	1 ^(**)
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and/or Theater	1
Physical Education <i>(participation each semester)</i>	2
Health	0.5
Electives	3.5
Total	22

^(**)Students with a disability may be excused from the requirement for 1 unit of credit in LOTE if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate.

1.) Pathways

- A student must either:
- successfully complete all the requirements for the CDOES Commencement Credentials (<http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/cdoes-pathway-regents-or-local-diploma>); or
 - pass an additional math Regents examination or Department approved alternative in a different course; or
 - pass an additional science Regents examination or Department approved alternative in a different course; or
 - pass an additional social studies Regents examination or Department approved alternative in a different course; or
 - pass an additional English assessment in a different course selected from the Department approved alternative list; or
 - successfully complete an approved CTE program, including the associated 3-part technical assessment; or
 - pass a Department approved pathway assessment in a Language Other than English (LOTE); or
 - pass a Department approved pathway assessment in a Language Other than English (LOTE).

Reference [Multiple Pathways](http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/multiple-pathways) (<http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/multiple-pathways>).

Reference [Department Approved Alternative Examinations](http://www.nysed.gov/assessment/hgenr/archives/list.pdf) (<http://www.nysed.gov/assessment/hgenr/archives/list.pdf>).

2.) Appeals

Appeals are subject to local district approval.

Reference [Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination](https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/appeals-reference) (<https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/appeals-reference>), [Safety Nets and Superintendent Determination](https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination) (<https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination>).

3.) Special Endorsements

Honors: A student earns a computed average of at least 90 on the Regents examinations applicable to either a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation. No more than 2 Department approved alternatives can be substituted for Regents examinations. The locally developed Checkpoint 8 LOTE examination is not included in the calculation.

Mastery in Math and/or Science: A student meets all the requirements for a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND earns a score of 85 or better on 3 math Regents examinations and/or 3 science Regents examinations.

Technical Endorsement: A student meets the requirements for either a local diploma, a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND successfully completes a Department approved CTE program including the 3-part technical assessment.

Reference the [Endorsements and Seals webpage](https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/endorsements-and-seals) (<https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/endorsements-and-seals>) for additional information pertaining to awarding special endorsements to students with exam exemptions due to COVID-19.

4.) Languages Other than English (LOTE) Exempt Students

Students with a disability may be excused from the required units of credit in LOTE if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate. A LOTE exempt student who seeks a Regents diploma with advanced designation does NOT have to complete the 5-unit sequence in the Arts or CTE in lieu of LOTE in order to meet the assessment requirements for the advanced diploma.

5.) Superintendent Determination of a Local Diploma

Students with a disability who are unable to attain a local diploma through the various safety net provisions may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma under certain conditions. Reference [Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination](https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination) (<https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination>).

6.) Exemptions due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Students granted an exemption from any examination due to COVID-19 are not required to pass such specific examinations to meet the assessment requirements for any diploma type. Reference the following FAQs: [June/August 2020](https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination), [January 2021](https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination), and [June/August 2021](https://www.nysed.gov/assessment/safety-nets-and-superintendent-determination) for additional information.

Graduation Requirements

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Assessment Requirements

	Regents Diploma for All Students	Regents Diploma via Appeal for All Students	Local Diploma via Appeal for All Students	Local Diploma for Students with a Disability	Local Diploma via Appeal for English Language Learners
	Passing Score	Passing Score	Passing Score	Passing Score	Passing Score
REGENTS EXAM or passing score on a Department approved alternative	# of Exams	# of Exams	# of Exams	# of Exams	# of Exams
English Language Arts (ELA)	65	1	1	55**	1
Math	65	1	2 Regents exams with a score of 60-64 for which appeals have been granted by the district and all remaining Regents exams with a score of 65 or above	55**	1
Science	65	1	1	55**	1
Social Studies	65	1	1	55**	1
Pathway (see note 1 on reverse side)	65 if Regents CDOES Exam	1 or CDOES	1 or CDOES	55** if Regents Exam	1 or CDOES
Compensatory Safety Net	Non-Applicable	Non-Applicable	Non-Applicable	Scores of 45-54 on any required Regents exam (except ELA and Mathematics) can be compensated by a score of 65 or above on another required Regents exam including ELA and Mathematics.	Non-Applicable

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Students seeking the Regents diploma with advanced designation must:

- Meet the credit and assessment requirements for a Regents diploma; and
- Pass two additional Regents exams or Department approved alternatives in mathematics; and
- Pass one additional Regents exam or Department approved alternative in science
 - Students seeking advanced designation must pass at least one Regents exam or Department approved alternative in both sciences (one life and one physical); and
- Complete a sequence:
 - earn an additional 2 units of credit in LOTE and passing a locally developed Checkpoint B LOTE examination, or
 - complete a 5 unit sequence in the Arts, or
 - complete a 5 unit sequence in CTE.

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Assessment Combinations for Advanced Designation

Traditional Combination	ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government, 3 mathematics, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments
Pathway Combination (other than STEM)	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science), 1 Pathway (other than science or math) = 7 (+Pathway) or 8 assessments.
STEM (Mathematics) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 4 math, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.
STEM (Science) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 3 science (at least 1 life science, at least 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.

* A student with a disability may appeal scores between 52 and 54 up to two Regents examinations in any discipline and graduate with the local diploma. Reference [New York State Diplomas/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for Students with Disabilities](http://www.nysed.gov/assessment/RegenArchivelist.pdf) (<http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/diploma-and-credentials-summmary-requirements.pdf>).

** In the event a student with a disability is unable to attain a passing score on any Regents examination, the student may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma. Reference [Assess, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination](http://www.nysed.gov/assessment/RegenArchivelist.pdf) (<http://www.nysed.gov/assessment/RegenArchivelist.pdf>).

English Language Learners seeking an appeal for a score of 55-59 on the ELA Regents Exam are only eligible if they entered the United States in grade 9 or after and were classified as an English Language Learner when they took the test the second time. Reference [New York State Diplomas/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for English Language Learners](http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/diploma-and-credentials-summmary-requirements.pdf) (<http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/diploma-and-credentials-summmary-requirements.pdf>).

† The 4th mathematics examination can be selected from the list of [Department Approved Alternatives Examinations](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/RegenArchivelist.pdf) (<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/RegenArchivelist.pdf>).

Academic Grading and Reporting

Teachers provides students with feedback through a variety of methods, including scores and written remarks. This feedback should help students understand areas of strength and areas for growth. If a student does not understand a score or comment, he/she should speak to the teacher directly.

There are four grading periods during the school year, and four progress report periods. Report cards will be sent at the end of each marking period. Progress reports will be sent in the middle of each marking period.

All course grades are measured in numeric form on a 100 point scale, except for Physical Education, which is Pass/Fail. Students will not receive a grade lower than a 50 for a marking period grade, but their progress will be reviewed and students may receive intervention or remediation services. A student may receive a score of Incomplete at the end of the marking period if his/her teacher requires more time to report a grade, based on extenuating circumstances. Incompletes should be converted to numerical grades within 10 class days after the end of the marking period, unless further extension is approved by the principal. All course grades are included for determining Grade Point Average (GPA), except for Physical Education and Band.

Final grades for full-year courses are computed based on the following: Each quarter will constitute 21.25% of the final grade. Final exams (including Regents Examinations) will count for 15% of the final grade.

Final grades for half-year courses are computed based on the following: Each marking period will count for 42.5% of the final grade, and the final exam will count for 15% of the final grade.

Schedule Changes and Course Load

Students who want to withdraw from a course must obtain written approval from a parent/guardian. Students have two weeks from the beginning of the course to drop a course without additional approval. After two weeks into the semester, schedule changes require a completed Oriskany Jr./Sr. High School Add/Drop Form, which requires written approval by the teacher, parent, school counselor, and principal.

It is expected that students will take a course load that is rigorous and will prepare them to meet graduation requirements. It is expected that students will not have more than six study halls within a four day cycle. unless approved by the principal.

Class Rank

The Board of Education wishes to recognize outstanding academic achievement and shall use a system of computing grade point averages to inform graduating students of their class standing. Such information may also be sent to prospective employees and post-secondary institutions.

Grades for all courses taken, except for Physical Education and Band, will be computed to determine class rank. Any courses requiring work above commencement level, including Advanced Placement and college credit courses, will be weighted based on the chart below. Final class rank will be determined at the end of the first semester of senior year, for a total of seven semesters. The Valedictorian (highest GPA after seven semesters) and the Salutatorian (second highest GPA after seven semesters) will be determined at that time.

A transfer student must have been in attendance for two consecutive years prior to commencement in order to be considered for Valedictorian and Salutatorian. Grades from schools that use an alternative marking method will be converted by using the grade conversion chart.

A student who satisfies his/her graduation requirements in less than eight semesters of high school study will have his/her grade point average computed and a class rank will be designated. Students who elect to pursue an accelerated program of study shall not be discriminated against in the assignment of a rank in class and the corresponding selection of Valedictorian and Salutatorian. Students who are electing to pursue an early graduation should contact the Office of Counseling and Career Services in April of their sophomore year. Students who elect to participate in an approved alternative senior year program, such as a foreign exchange program or early admission to college, may be eligible for honors at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Weighting of Courses

Type of Course	
Advanced Placement	8 points added to each marking period grade
Dual Enrollment College Credit Courses	4 points added to each marking period grade

Honor Roll

There are three honor roll levels, which are posted at the end of each marking period. To be eligible, a student in grades 7-12 must have achieved an overall grade point average of 84-89.49 for the Honor Roll, 89.5-94.49 for the High Honor Roll, and 94.5-100 for the Highest Honor Roll.

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society chapter of the Oriskany Central School District is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected to be members by a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each November. Students in the 11th or 12th grades are eligible for membership.

For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 90% on a 100-point scale. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Student Activity Information packet that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experiences and participation in school or community service is also required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character and leadership. These forms and the Student Activity Information Packet are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain or exceed the same level of performance in all four criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at monthly chapter meetings held during the school year, and participation in the chapter service project(s). Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter advisor.

Testing Program

The testing program at OCS is designed to assist students in making decisions about their high school plans and future career path. In grades 7-12, students are expected to take all New York State required exams in English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies, as well as additional exams including the PSAT 10, PSAT, Pre-ACT, SAT, ACT, Advanced Placement, and NYS Field Testing.

ACT & SAT Test Dates 2022-2023

Test Date	Test Given	Registration Deadline
9/10/22	SAT	8/5/22
10/1/22	ACT	9/2/22
10/22/22	SAT	9/16/22
11/5/22	SAT	10/7/22
12/3/22	ACT	11/3/22
12/10/22	ACT	11/4/22
2/11/23	SAT	1/6/23
3/11/23	ACT	2/10/23
4/15/23	SAT	3/10/23
5/6/23	SAT	4/7/23
6/3/23	ACT	5/4/23
6/10/23	ACT	5/5/23
7/15/23	ACT	6/16/23

Parent / Student Portal

Parents and students have the ability to track student progress online through the district's student management database. Parents have instantaneous access to homework status, quizzes, tests, etc. "Parent portal" request forms are available in the Office of Counseling and Career Services. Students and parents are encouraged to check their grades and assignments on a regular basis and contact the teacher directly with any questions.

Homework Procedures

The school acknowledges the educational validity of work assigned to students for completion outside the classroom as an adjunct to an extension of the instructional program of the schools.

If a student is absent, homework and assignments will be available upon the request of the student or parent/guardian. Students are encouraged to contact teachers directly through email, but parents may call the Office of Counseling and Career Services to request work. All requests should be made by 10 a.m.

Students are responsible for the work they miss when absent. It is the responsibility of the student to check with his/her teachers to determine what work needs to be made up after an absence. Students should follow individual teacher's policies on making up missed work.

After School Procedures

If students are taking the 3:00 p.m. late bus they are expected to be with a faculty or staff member from 2:27-2:55. Only students who are academically eligible and are currently playing a sport, are allowed to stay in the cafeteria. All students must sign in with a teacher or be in the cafeteria by 2:30 pm.

Many classes or clubs will hold meetings from 2:27-2:55 on various days. However, Wednesdays will be strictly for clubs or class meetings. When classes, clubs or after-school meetings are not in session between the times of 2:27-2:55, all instructors will be available in their classrooms, daily, to provide and assist students with academic support.

Attendance

Attendance:

Every student is expected to be in school every day unless legal causes prevent his/her attendance. If a student is going to be absent, a parent/guardian should call the school nurse in the morning. If the school nurse is not called, then the school will contact parents either at home or work. A student must bring in a note outlining the details of the absence to the school nurse within 5 school days or the absence will become unexcused.

Regular attendance is crucial for students to be successful. If a student has to miss classes, he/she is responsible to make a plan with each of his/her teachers upon his/her return to school. Students should follow their teacher's individual policies for making up missed work.

The following are considered legal excuses for an absence: illness, serious illness or death in the family, medical or dental appointments, religious observance, impassable roads, attendance in court, quarantine, college visits, and any other absence deemed excusable by the building principal. The following are not considered legal absences: vacation trips, baby-sitting, hunting or fishing, working, job interviews, shopping, oversleeping, or missing the bus.

As per BOE policy, any student who misses 14 class periods in a semester class or 25 class periods in a year class, will be denied credit in that class regardless of the grade in the class. Students will work with administration to make up classes.

Tardiness:

Students are expected to be school and in their classes by 8:00 a.m., which is when daily attendance is taken. If a student is not present in class at the 8:00am bell, he/she needs to sign in at the main office and receive a pass. Attendance at school is extremely important. Excessive tardiness will be subject to our progressive discipline systems highlighted in the Code of Conduct.

Dismissal:

If a student needs to be dismissed during the school day for a legal excuse, the student must bring a written excuse from his/her parent to the school nurse before the 8:00am bell. The student should sign out electronically in the main office at the time the note states. If a parent/guardian needs to sign a student out for a legal excuse, he/she must sign his/her child out electronically in the main office. If a student leaves school grounds without permission from a parent/guardian, disciplinary action will be taken.

Cheating / Plagiarism

Cheating in any area - from copying another student's homework to copying another student's answers on an exam - is unacceptable student behavior. In the long run, the student who cheats does not derive the full benefit of the learning experience. In the short run, certain immediate consequences have been spelled out.

Teachers are required to report any instances of suspected cheating or plagiarism to the principal, who will work with the teacher to determine a course of action. Teacher will call parent(s) to inform him/her of the incident and the consequence. Students will receive consequences based on the Code of Conduct.

In case of fraud on a New York State Regents Exam, students should be aware that these exams are governed by rules and regulations as outlined in a manual titled, "Regents Examinations and Competency Tests," 1986 Edition (p.12), published by the University of the New York, State Education Department.

Mobile Devices

Students, please understand we know how important your mobile device is in your life. However, given the educational platform that we are mandated to maintain, there will be certain restrictions on the use of mobile devices as dictated by class, time, location and purpose.

We do have a program of 1:1 Chromebooks. With this, all students have access to instructional platforms from across the entire planet. As a result, the use of cell phones for instructional purposes will be limited and established by each classroom teacher.

We also have several phone lines coming in and out of the Jr./Sr. High School. If you need to contact a parent or guardian, you may use any of the phones in the school. Similarly, if a parent or guardian needs to reach a student, they will be able to do so by contacting us by phone and asking us to reach their child(ren)/student.

As such, students cell phones will be "off and away until the end of the day" in regards to students' scheduled classes/library/study hall use.

Teachers have outlined their specific cell phone policy in their course outline and students are expected to follow each teacher's policy while in his/her classroom. This also includes the hallway, bathrooms, when the student is scheduled to be in a class, and while the class is in session.

If a student violates this rule, the item will be confiscated and he/she will be subject to the Code of Conduct progressive discipline procedures.

Students may use cell phones during change of classes and during assigned lunch time in the cafeteria.

Students will be allowed to utilize a mobile device to listen to music through ONE headphone or ONE earpod while in the hallways or in the cafeteria during lunch. Using two provides a safety issue and students will be asked to remove them all together if this rule is not followed.

Social Media & Electronic Device Policy

The Internet, including social media, may not be used on school computers or resources for any of the following purposes:

- A. Sexting – Sexting is prohibited by employees, students and Board members. Those determined to have engaged in sexting shall be subject to discipline and possible criminal prosecution in accordance with all applicable laws;
- B. To carry defamatory, discriminatory or obscene material;

- C. Pictures, Videos, or any other type of recordings in bathrooms and locker rooms;
- D. In connection with any infringement of another person's intellectual property rights (e.g., copyrights);
- E. In a manner that violates the terms of any applicable telecommunications license or any laws governing the trans-border dataflow (e.g., laws dealing with data collection, protection, privacy, confidentiality and security);
- F. In connection with any attempt to penetrate computer or network security of any computer or other system or to gain unauthorized access (or attempted access) to any other person's computer, e-mail or voice-mail accounts or equipment; or
- G. In connection with the violation or attempted violation of any other law, rule, or regulation.

All violations will be addressed through the Code of Conduct. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action including but not limited to suspension.

Student Chromebooks

All students in grades 7-12 will be issued a 1:1 Chromebook. Students and parents should reference the OCS Chromebook Handbook and User Policy, Agreement, and Protection Plan on the district website for further information on Chromebooks.

Video and Tape-Recorded Conversations

Students are prohibited from making any electronic or digital video or audio recording(s) of another student or adult in the school unless specifically related to the educational program or officially designated activity of the school. Students who act in violation of this policy may have their electronic devices confiscated and may be subject to discipline under the Code of Conduct and/or police action.

Student Dress Code

A student's clothing, jewelry, grooming, and appearance shall:

- A. Be safe, appropriate, and not interfere with the educational process.
- B. Exclude brief garments (no portion of the midriff, lower back, buttock, and/or cleavage will be exposed at any time), including but not limited to strapless shirts, see-through shirts, short skirts, or shirts with deep cutouts.
- C. Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing.
- D. Include footwear at all times. Footwear determined by school officials to be a safety hazard will not be allowed.

- E. Exclude “weapon jewelry,” spikes, fish hooks, dog chains, choke chains, chains that hang from belts or pockets, or other such things worn on the body that could injure one’s self or others.
- F. Exclude items that school personnel determine to be vulgar, obscene, libelous, or that denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, or disability.
- G. Exclude the endorsement of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs and/or the encouragement of other illegal or violent activities.
- H. Hoods and sunglasses are not allowed to be worn in school at any time. Hats are allowed as long as they are appropriate in nature and do not violate any other part of the dress code.
- I. Tank tops that expose the skin area of a student are subject to dress code violations.

Restricted List

If a student is failing one or more courses at either the 5-week progress report period or the 10-week marking period, he/she will be put on the Restricted List. Students who are on the Restricted List will not be able to leave study hall unless they have a pre-signed pass from a teacher.

Study Hall Procedures

- 1. Students should come to study hall prepared with all of their materials-books, homework, etc.
- 2. Electronic devices (cell phone, iPods, etc.) may not be used unless the study hall monitor has given a student express permission to use it. Students are expected to bring and use their Chromebook during study halls to complete their work.
- 3. Study Hall is a QUIET place. Students should plan to work on assignments or read during study hall. No talking without specific permission for a specific purpose (for example, group project).

Leaving Study Hall:

- a. A student on the Restricted List for failing 1 or more classes may not leave the study hall to go to the Media Center or Computer Lab. A student on the Restricted List may leave to go to a teacher’s classroom ONLY with a pre-signed pass from that teacher.
- b. Students with an Honor Pass or with a pre-signed pass from a teacher with a specific reason may sign out of study hall to go to the Media Center or Computer Lab. There will be a limit in each study hall for additional students to be able to leave to go to the Media Center or Computer Lab.

- c. Students must sign in and out on the Sign Out sheet whenever leaving the room.

School Lunch / Cafeteria

Students are expected to eat lunch in the school cafeteria, unless they have a pre-signed pass to go to a teacher. Students are to follow all directives from staff supervising the cafeteria. Students may not leave the cafeteria without permission from a staff member. Students may go to the gymnasium during lunch if there is a staff member present; students must go down the back staircase and straight to the gymnasium. Students are not to wander the halls during lunch. Any students who do not follow lunchtime rules may face disciplinary action.

If students are having food delivered, it must arrive to the Main Office within the first 15 minutes of their assigned lunch period. To ensure students are not missing instruction, any other food or supplies that are dropped off during the day will stay in the Main Office, and students will be called to retrieve them in between periods.

Bus Transportation

Each student who is eligible for bus transportation is assigned to a bus by the transportation supervisor. Students should ride their assigned bus for both the morning and afternoon regular runs. Students requesting permission to ride another bus or be dropped off somewhere other than their normal stop must bring a note signed by their parent/guardian to the main office. The note will be verified by a phone call to the parent/guardian, if the note cannot be verified the student will not be able to change the bus drop off. This note will be signed and should be presented to the driver for the afternoon bus run. Emergency requests phoned in by parents/guardians are to be cleared by an administrator. The school bus is an extension of the school and all school rules apply as in the school building.

There will be a late bus at 3:00 p.m. daily for students who stay after with teachers or for detention. Students must obtain a bus pass from the staff member they stayed after with and present it to the bus driver. Students who participate in school-sponsored events will be provided transportation home after practices at 5:00 p.m.

Student Drivers

Driving to school is a privilege for upper-class students who hold their license or permit. All students who drive to school must complete the proper paperwork from the Main Office before parking on school property. Excessive tardiness from student drivers will result in disciplinary consequences up to and including

revocation of driving privileges.

- i. 3 tardies - Warning
- i. 5 tardies - Conference with Principal
- i. 8 tardies - 1 week suspension of driving privileges
- i. 10 tardies - Driving privileges suspended for the remainder of the semester
- i. 15 tardies - Driving privileges permanently revoked

Student Vehicle Parking

All student vehicles must be legally registered. All unregistered vehicles, snowmobiles, dirt bikes, and ATV's are prohibited on school grounds at all times. Unauthorized or illegally parked vehicles may be towed away at the owner's expense.

No student vehicles are to leave school grounds while school is in session unless permission has been granted by administration. Students are not to be in or go to their cars during school hours. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disciplinary action, including revoking parking privileges.

The speed limit on school grounds is 5 mph. Speeding or reckless driving on or around school property will result in driving and parking privileges being revoked.

The school is not responsible for damage, vandalism, or theft of student vehicles.

The district retains the right to inspect student vehicles at any time without a search warrant, without notice, and without student consent. Inspections may be conducted by authorized school personnel and/or law enforcement officials, and may be conducted with the assistance of drug-detecting dogs.

BOCES Students

The morning BOCES bus will leave the building at 8:10 a.m. and the afternoon BOCES bus will leave at 11:15am. Students are not allowed to drive to BOCES unless permission has been granted by the building principal. Permission slips are available in the Main Office.

BOCES classes are from 8:30 a.m.-10:55 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-1:55 p.m. If a student misses the BOCES bus, he/she should report to the Office of Counseling and Career Services, where other arrangements will be made. Upon returning to school, AM BOCES should report to the cafeteria for lunch and PM BOCES students should report to study hall (unless previous permission has been granted to leave school grounds). On days when BOCES has full-day classes but OCS has half-day classes, PM BOCES students are expected to attend.

If a BOCES student needs to miss OCS classes for a BOCES event, he/she must obtain permission from the OCS building principal 2 days prior to the event.

Off Campus Conduct

Students, while off campus during the school day and while attending extracurricular events, activities, and sporting events, are held under all of the same expectations and rules of being in school, including the Code of Conduct. Students are expected to immediately report any issues or violations of the Code of Conduct to a teacher or administrator.

Dances

Attending school functions such as dances are a privilege. Students that misbehave in school or at other school functions may not be allowed to attend dances at the discretion of the building principal. Furthermore, all school rules and policies are in effect at these functions. Students must be in attendance at school on the day of the dance or the day preceding the dance (if it is on a Saturday) to be allowed into the dance, unless the building principal has granted such attendance due to extenuating circumstances.

Students who are ATSP or OSS may not attend any dances, athletic events, or any school functions on that day. If you are suspended, either through ATSP or OSS, on a Friday, you are ineligible to attend any event until the following Monday.

Students are allowed to bring guests from other school districts if the necessary paperwork is completed, turned in on time, and approved by the building principal. Students may not bring a guest who is 21 years of age or older. Any student guest who is not currently enrolled in school must submit a copy of his/her driver's license along with the guest pass.

Interscholastic Athletics and Eligibility

The interscholastic program includes the sports listed below. All students are welcome to tryout for these teams, provided they meet the physical and academic qualifications. Information regarding the sports program can be obtained by contacting the Athletic Director.

Fall

Cheerleading
Cross Country
Football
Gymnastics
Soccer

Winter

Basketball
Cheerleading
Ice Hockey
Indoor Track

Spring

Baseball
Golf
Softball
Track

Participating in athletics is a privilege for all students, as long as they remain academically eligible and in good standing. All students will begin each academic year with their eligibility intact as there is no carryover from the previous year. Student progress will be measured every five weeks.

A student who receives two failing grades or more during any five-week period will be declared ineligible to participate in any interscholastic activities. The period of ineligibility begins on the Monday after progress reports or report cards are mailed and concludes on the second Monday after that date.

1. An athlete will be ineligible for two weeks during which they can bring their eligibility up to passing standards. They are required to stay after school and work with their teachers.
2. During this two week period, athletes are required to practice with the team but cannot participate in any games. The athlete must sit in street clothes on their bench during these games (excluding golf).
3. If an athlete becomes eligible after the initial two week period, the athlete will be permitted to participate on the following Monday.
4. The initial two week ineligibility period must include a minimum of eight school days. Student progress during this period will be monitored by the athletic director.
5. If at the end of the initial two week period the athlete is still ineligible, the athlete cannot play or practice for the remainder of the ineligibility period lasting until the end of the current grading period. (Exception: the athlete will be allowed to practice with the team only to meet NYS conditioning requirements.)
6. Any student may try out while ineligible but not practice until they become eligible.

Student Activities

A wide range of extracurricular activities are available to students. Students are encouraged to participate in one or more of these clubs and organizations. The times and locations that these clubs meet varies, so students are encouraged to listen to the daily announcements.

The following is a list of Class and Clubs offered and the advisor(s) for each:

7th Grade

Mrs. Higgins

Chorus

Mrs. Roberts

SADD

Mrs. Cortese

8th Grade

Ms. Buehler

Drama Club/Musical

TBD

Science Club

Mrs. Sciorilli

9th Grade

Ms. Jenks

Foreign Language Club

Mrs. Perez

School Newspaper

Ms. Cronauer

Ms. Valente

10th Grade

Ms. Cronauer

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

Mrs. Musacchio

Ski/Snowboard Club

Ms. Jalowiec

Mrs. McGrath

11th Grade

Mrs. Mann

Ms. Millick

Key Club

Ms. Jenks

Student Council

Mrs. Cortese

12th Grade

Mr. Dononue

Mrs. Piersma

Mathletics

Mrs. Millick

Technology Club

Mr. Lallier

Art Club

Mrs. Smith

National Honor Society

Ms. Valente

Teen AIDS Taskforce (TATF)

Mrs. Sciorilli

Band

Mrs. Roberts

Positivity Project

Ms. Bostic

Mrs. Mann

Varsity Club

TBD

Builder's Club

Ms. Mazza

Robotics

Mr. Lallier

Yearbook

Mrs. Smith

Announcements and Posters

Students' posters and announcements must be approved by the building principal before they are hung up. Approved documents will be initialed by the principal and may then be placed in designated areas. All approved items must be taken down by the individual or organization that hung them on the predetermined date.

Change of Address / Telephone

Please contact the Office of Counseling and Career Services if your address or phone number has changed. Residency within the boundaries of the school district is subject to verification by the school.

Health Services

Students who become ill during the school day should report to the nurse. If there is a need to go home, the nurse will inform a parent/guardian and the student will be released from school with this knowledge and permission. If this procedure is not followed and the student leaves school without properly checking out, the student will be treated as truant. Only students requiring health-related assistance should be in the nurse's office.

All students who received injuries during the school day should report the injury to their classroom teacher and then be seen by the nurse. Injuries occurring at a school-sponsored activity outside of regular school hours should be reported to the coach or advisor in charge. AED defibrillators are available within the building.

Students may not possess any prescription or over-the counter medicine during the school day, unless they are required to self-carry and have obtained permission from the school nurse. Parents/guardians should bring any prescription medication or over-the-counter medicines to the school nurse, along with a parental and prescriber authorization form that states the dosage and frequency of administration rate. This form must be signed by a parent/guardian and the physician. Students must take this medication in the presence of the nurse. Any student who possesses any prescription or over-the-counter medicine will face disciplinary action.

Under New York State Public Health Law and the New York State Education Department Law, the Oriskany Central School District requires the immunizations listed in the 2019-2020 School Year New York State Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance Chart. The exemption stated in the law is: certification from a physician in New York State that one or more of the required immunizations may be determined.

Student Accident Insurance

If you are injured in an accident while participating in a school activity, there may be coverage for certain expenses under the school's Student Accident Insurance policy. Coverage is in excess of your health insurance, pays up to 80% of usual & customary charges for services, subject to a \$250 deductible. Ask the school nurse for the claim form and instructions.

Visitors to the School

All visitors are to report to the Main Office and present picture identification/driver's license during regular school hours and must wear a visitor's pass while within the building. Visitors must sign in and out electronically in the Main Office. Students who attend other schools are not permitted as visitors during the regular school day, unless permission has been granted by the building principal. Visitors must comply with all of the school rules while on school property.

Hall Passes

Students who are in the halls during classes must be able to produce a hall pass (including an Honor Pass) from a faculty or staff member. Failure to do so may result in a disciplinary referral.

Gym and Hall Lockers

All students in grades 7-12 are provided with their own hall lockers and gym lockers. All lockers, locks, combinations and/or keys and other storage spaces are the exclusive property of the school, and students should have no expectation of privacy in these areas. Students are provided lockers to store school-related materials. Lockers are locked only to maintain privacy between students and to maintain ownership of property. The district retains the right to inspect student lockers at any time without a search warrant, without notice, and without student consent. Inspections may be conducted by authorized school personnel and/or law enforcement officials, and may be conducted with the assistance of drug-detecting dogs.

Students should follow the following guidelines in regards to lockers:

- Keep your locker locked whenever you are not at it.
- Memorize your locker combination quickly.
- Do not permit other students to use your locker, even temporarily. Lockers are not to be shared. You are responsible for any materials within your locker.
- If you forget your locker combination, check with the Office of Counseling and Career Services.
- Do not leave valuables in your locker, even when it is locked.
- Do not leave personal belongings out in the gym locker room - lock them up!

Lost and Found

Lost articles should be brought to the Main Office. Unclaimed items will be donated to the needy at the end of the school year.

Security and Safety Video Surveillance

For reasons on enhancing the safety of our students and others on school premises, the use of video surveillance equipment is utilized on district property.

Safety Drills

We are required by law to have fire and safety drills during the school year. The cooperation of the study body is imperative for the drills to be successful. Students should follow the directions of their teachers during all drills to ensure their safety.

Elevators

Students are only allowed to use the elevator with a medical note that has been reviewed by the school nurse. Students are allowed to take one other student with them on the elevator if they need assistance.

Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)

The procedures for the confidentiality of student records shall be consistent with federal statutes, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) and its implementation regulations, and the Commissioner's Regulations.

The district shall arrange to provide translations of the following notice to non-English speaking parents in their native language.

To Parents/Guardian(s), Eligible Students:

This section is intended to advise you of your rights with respect to the school records relating to (your son) (your daughter) (you) Pursuant to the Federal "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974."

Parents of a student under 18, or a student 18 or older, have a right to inspect and review any and all official records, files, and data directly related to their children or themselves, including all material that is incorporated into each student's cumulative record folder, and intended for school use to be available to parties outside the school or school system, and specifically including, but not necessarily limited to, identifying data, academic work completed, level of achievement (grades, standardized achievement test scores), interest inventory results, health data, family background information, teacher or counselor ratings and observations, and verified reports of serious or current behavior patterns.

Sexual Harassment Policy and Procedure

Federal and state laws protect students from sexual harassment by school employees (including teachers) and other students. The Oriskany Central School District's own policies also prohibit such sexual harassment.

Sexual harassment can include unwelcome touching, requests for sexual favors, and other remarks, of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment may occur when teachers or staff members withhold a benefit or offer a favor to a student, depending on whether he/she engages in the sexual conduct. Sexual harassment may also occur even without promising or withholding a benefit, if the harassment creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment for the student.

Some examples of conduct that can be interpreted as sexual harassment include unwelcome touching, off-color language or jokes, sexual name calling, sexual gestures, or sexting.

If any student feels he or she is a victim of such conduct, or if any student needs further information about this topic, he/she should contact the principal.

Detention

Any faculty member may assign detention to a student, to be held in the teacher's classroom, or detention may be assigned by the principal due to a disciplinary referral. Students are expected to follow directives from staff members while serving a detention, or another detention will be issued. If a student is absent on a day he/she was assigned detention, he/she is expected to serve the next school day.

In-School Suspension

Our Oriskany In-School Suspension program is a disciplinary method intended to keep students in the education setting and is an alternative to Out-of-School Suspension. ISS may be issued for a duration of one to five days depending on the infraction and the status of the student in the progressive discipline format as found in the District Code of Conduct.

Students assigned to this program will report to the ISS room in the morning, where they will be supervised by a district employee, who will assist them with instruction. OCS teachers will send work to the ISS room for students to complete. If negative behavior persists in this program, more days may be added by the building principal, or the student may be suspended out of school.

The suspension assignment will not be affected by absences and will be reassigned if any of the days are missed.

Modified In-School Suspension

A student may be assigned modified ISS as a progressive discipline initiative due to a student management concern related to the OCS D Code of Conduct policy. Students in this program will be assigned to the ISS room for part of their academic day. Generally, this is used to address lower level student management issues. Students will often attend academic classes and be assigned to the ISS room for study halls/lunch detention (30 minute lunch to be served in the ISS area) and/or other times from their schedule.

Out-of-School Suspension

The building principal can suspend a student out of school for one to five school days. Students who are assigned Out of School Suspension (OSS) are prohibited on school grounds or at school functions until the morning of the school day they are set to return.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct can be found in its entirety on the district website or in the Main Office. The following pages are crucial excerpts from the code. Unless otherwise indicated, this Code applies to all students, school personnel, parents and other visitors on school property or attending a school function.

Dignity for All Students Act

The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) effective July 1, 2012, specifically prohibits bullying, discrimination and harassment by school employees and students on school property or at a school function by school employees and students based on, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, actual or perceived: race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, sex and any other legally protected status. Also included are provisions for reporting and intervening in cases of discrimination, harassment or bullying. Any related complaints should be brought to the attention of the building principal who also serves as the Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) to assist in implementation of the DASA in each school building.

Student Rights

The district is committed to safeguarding the rights given to all students under state and federal law. In addition, to promote a safe, healthy, orderly and civil school environment, all district students have the right to:

1. Take part in all district activities on an equal basis regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, gender or sexual orientation or disability.
2. Present their version of the relevant events to school personnel authorized to impose a disciplinary penalty in connection with the imposition of the penalty.
3. Access school rules and, when necessary, receive an explanation of those rules from school personnel.
4. Learn in an environment free of discrimination and harassment based on actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex;
5. Participate equally in all school activities regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practices, disability, sexual orientation, gender, sex or any other legally protected status;
6. Have complaints about school-related incidents investigated and responded to.

Student Search and Seizure

Administrators are authorized to search students and their possessions (e.g., pocket contents, bookbags, handbags, etc.) should the circumstances arise, based upon reasonable individualized suspicion. In the event of search and seizure, administrators must at all times take great care in searching the person and personal effects of the student. Students will be asked to empty their pockets and otherwise comply with reasonable search requests. If a student refuses, the parents will be contacted. The police will be contacted in the event that a law enforcement search is required. The student will remain under direct supervision until the search.

Police in the School

District officials are committed to cooperating with police and other law enforcement authorities to maintain a safe school environment. If law enforcement seeks to interrogate or remove a student, the District is required to immediately contact the student's parents or legal guardians to arrange for their presence, if possible, or obtain their consent unless law enforcement has a warrant for the arrest of the student; has a court order authorizing the removal or interrogation of the student; or is investigating a possible crime and law enforcement determines either: a) exigent circumstances exist, b) there is an immediate threat of serious physical harm, or c) there is an emergency and immediate need for assistance.

Student Responsibilities

All district students have the responsibility to:

1. Contribute to maintaining a safe and orderly school environment that is conducive to learning and to show respect to other persons and to property.
2. Be familiar with and abide by all district policies, rules and regulations dealing with student conduct.

3. Attend school every day unless they are legally excused and be in class, on time, and prepared to learn.
4. Work to the best of their ability in all academic and extracurricular pursuits and strive toward their highest level of achievement possible.
5. React to direction given by teachers, administrators and other school personnel in a respectful, positive manner.
6. Control their anger.
7. Ask questions when they do not understand.
8. Seek help in solving problems that might lead to discipline.
9. Dress appropriately for school and school functions.
10. Accept responsibility for their actions.
11. Conduct themselves as representatives of the district when participating in or attending school-sponsored extracurricular events and to hold themselves to the highest standards of conduct, demeanor, and sportsmanship.
12. Act and speak respectfully about issues/concerns.
13. Use non-sexist, non-racist and other non-biased language.
14. Respect and treat others with tolerance and dignity regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, sex or any other legally protected status.
15. Use communication that is non-confrontational and is not obscene or defamatory.
16. Report acts of bullying, discrimination, harassment and other inappropriate actions that hurt others.

Parent Responsibilities

All parents are expected to:

1. Recognize that the education of their child(ren) is a joint responsibility of the parents and the school community.
2. Send their child(ren) to school ready to participate and learn.
3. Ensure their child(ren) attend school regularly and on time.
4. Ensure absences are excused.
5. Insist their child(ren) be dressed and groomed in a manner consistent with the student dress code.
6. Help their child(ren) understand that in a democratic society appropriate rules are required to maintain a safe, orderly environment.
7. Know school rules and help their child(ren) understand the consequences of their actions.
8. Convey to their child(ren) a supportive attitude toward education and the district.
9. Build good relationships with teachers, other parents and their child(ren)'s friends.
10. Help their children deal effectively with peer pressure.

11. Inform school officials of changes in the home situation that may affect student conduct or performance.
12. Provide a place for study and ensure homework assignments are completed.
13. Maintain a climate of mutual respect when dealing with school personnel.

Teacher Responsibilities

All district teachers are expected to:

1. Maintain a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex, with the intent of strengthening students' self- concept and promote confidence to learn.
2. Be prepared to teach.
3. Demonstrate interest in teaching and concern for student achievement.
4. Know school policies and rules, and enforce them in a fair and consistent manner.
5. Communicate to students and parents: a) course objectives and requirements, b) marking/grading procedures, c) assignment deadlines, d) expectations for students, and e) classroom discipline plan.
6. Communicate regularly with students, parents and other teachers concerning growth and achievement.
7. Report orally to their principal, the Superintendent, or designee any incident of harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination that they witness or that is reported to them, not more than one day later; and file a written report not later than two (2) school days after the initial oral report.
8. Confront issues of discrimination and harassment or any situation that threatens the emotional or physical health or safety of any student, school employee or any person who is lawfully on school property or at a school function.
9. Address personal biases that may prevent equal treatment of all students in the school or classroom setting.

School Counselor Responsibilities

1. Assist students in coping with peer pressure and emerging personal, social and emotional problems.
2. Confront issues of discrimination and harassment or any situation that threatens the emotional or physical health or safety of any student, school employee or any person who is lawfully on school property or at a school function.
3. Address personal biases that may prevent equal treatment of all students in the school or classroom setting.
4. Report incidents of discrimination and harassment that are witnessed or otherwise brought to a teacher's or staff member's attention in a timely manner.

5. Initiate teacher/student/counselor conferences and parent/teacher/student/counselor conferences, as necessary, as a way to resolve problems.
6. Regularly review with students their educational progress and career plans Grades K-12.
7. Provide information to assist students with career planning (Secondary Only).
8. Encourage students to benefit from the curriculum and extracurricular programs.
9. Report orally to their principal, the Superintendent, or designee any incident of harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination that they witness or that is reported to them, not more than one day later; and file a written report not later than (2) school days after the initial oral report.
10. Maintain a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex, with the intent of strengthening students' self- concept and promote confidence to learn.

Principal Responsibilities

1. Promote a safe, orderly and stimulating school environment, supporting active teaching and learning.
2. Maintain a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex, with the intent of strengthening students' confidence and promote learning.
3. Ensure that students and staff have the opportunity to communicate regularly with the Principal and approach the Principal for redress of grievances.
4. Evaluate on a regular basis all instructional programs.
5. Support the development of and student participation in appropriate extracurricular activities.
6. Be responsible for enforcing the code of conduct and ensuring that all cases are resolved promptly and fairly.
7. Report to the Superintendent, or designee any incident of harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination that they witness or that is reported to them, not more than one day later.
8. Confront issues of discrimination and harassment or any situation that threatens the emotional or physical health or safety of any student, school employee or any person who is lawfully on school property or at a school function.
9. Address personal biases that may prevent equal treatment of all students in the school or classroom setting.

Superintendent Responsibilities

1. Promote a safe, orderly and stimulating school environment, supporting active teaching and learning.
2. Maintain a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national ethnic group, religion, religious practice disability sexual orientation, gender or sex, with the intent of strengthening students' confidence and promote learning.
3. Review with district administrators the policies of the Board of Education and state and federal laws relating to school operations and management.
4. Inform the Board about educational trends relating to student discipline.
5. Work to create instructional programs that minimize problems of misconduct and are sensitive to student and teacher needs.
6. Work with district administrators in enforcing the code of conduct and ensuring that all cases are resolved promptly and fairly.
7. Process in a timely manner all reports of harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination, including insuring that an appropriate investigation is conducted and appropriate reports are made to law enforcement.
8. Confront issues of discrimination and harassment or any situation that threatens the emotional or physical health or safety of any student, school employee or any person who is lawfully on school property or at a school function.
9. Address personal biases that may prevent equal treatment of all students in the school or classroom setting.

Board of Education Responsibilities

1. Collaborate with student, teacher, administrator, and parent organizations, school safety personnel and other school personnel to develop a code of conduct that clearly defines expectations for the conduct of students, district personnel and visitors on school property and at school functions.
2. Adopt and review at least annually the district's code of conduct to evaluate the code's effectiveness and the fairness and consistency of its implementation.
3. Lead by example by conducting Board meetings in a professional, respectful, courteous manner.
4. Confront issues of discrimination and harassment or any situation that threatens the emotional or physical health or safety of any student, school employee or any person who is lawfully on school property or at a school function.
5. Address personal biases that may prevent equal treatment of all students in the school or classroom setting.
6. Maintain a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national ethnic group, religion, religious practice disability sexual orientation, gender or sex, with the intent of strengthening students' confidence and promote learning.

Prohibited Student Conduct

Students are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with regard for the rights, safety and welfare of other students, district personnel, and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

The rules of student conduct listed hereafter are intended to focus on safety and respect for the rights and property of others. Students who do not accept responsibility for their own behavior and who violate school rules will be required to accept penalties for their conduct.

Disciplinary action will be firm, fair, and consistent so as to be the most effective in changing student behavior. The staff at a school has the responsibility for taking appropriate actions when a student is involved in a situation which disrupts the learning environment of a school.

When determining the consequences, they will take the following into consideration:

1. The nature of the offense and the circumstances which led to the offense.
2. The age-appropriateness of the consequence.
3. The student's prior disciplinary record.
4. The effectiveness of other forms of discipline.
5. Information from parents, teachers and/or others, as appropriate.
6. The extent to which the offense interfered with the responsibility/rights/privileges/property of others.
7. The extent to which the offense posed a threat to the health and safety of others.
8. Other extenuating circumstances.

As a general rule, discipline will be progressive. This means that a student's first violation will usually merit a lesser penalty than subsequent violations. In the case of students who are habitually disruptive or who frequently violate school rules, administrators have the prerogative of applying more severe penalties at any stage, including removal from class and suspension from school.

Although not all-inclusive, the following list of offenses on school property or at a school function and range of consequences apply in most circumstances.

Reporting Possible Violations

All students are expected to promptly report violations of the code of conduct to a teacher, guidance counselor, the Building Principal or his or her designee. Any student observing a student possessing a weapon, alcohol or illegal substance on school property or at a school function shall report this information immediately to a teacher, the Principal, the Principal's designee or the Superintendent of Schools.

Range of Consequences for Behavior Related Offenses		
<p>I. Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warning/verbal reprimand • Time-out or out of classroom • Loss of privilege • Conference with student • Communication with parent • Detention • Counseling • *Restitution 	<p>II. Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal from class • *Suspension -In-school -Out-of-school • *Saturday detention • *Police Notification • *Removal from school property • *Social probation • **Superintendent's hearing 	<p>III. Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • */** Alternative placement • **Long-term suspension • **Superintendent's Hearing
<p>*Administrator action only **Superintendent action only</p>		

Offenses and Consequences	
Offense	Range of Consequences
1. Absence (Unlawful)	I-II
2. Alcohol/Drug Violation	II-III
3. Arson/fire	II-III
4. Bus Misbehavior	I-II
5. Cheating/Academic Dishonesty	I-III
6. Cell Phone/Electronic Devices Inappropriate Possession/Use Of	I-III
7. Computer/Electronic Communication Misuse	I-III
8. Cutting class	I-II
9. Cyberbullying	I-III
10. Defamation	I-II
11. Destruction of Property/Vandalism	II-III
12. Discrimination	I-III
13. Disrespect Toward Others	I-II
14. Disorderly Conduct	I-II
15. Disruption - Classroom	I-III
16. Disruption - School	I-III
17. Driving/Parking Violations	I-II
18. Failure to Serve Assigned Consequences	I-II
19. False Alarms/Bomb Threats	II-III
20. Fighting	II-III
21. Fireworks or Explosives	II-III
22. Firearm	II-III
23. Gambling	I-II
24. Harassment and/or Bullying	I-III
25. Hazing	I-III
26. Indecent Exposure	I-II

27. Insubordination	I-III
28. Leaving school grounds without permission	I-II
29. Loitering	I-II
30. Physical Attack on Staff, Students/Others	II-III
31. Possession of Disruptive Items	I-II
32. Possession of Portable Electronic Communication Devices	I-II
33. Possession of skateboards, rollerblades/ scooters	I-II
34. Sexting	I-III
35. Sexual Harassment	I-III
36. Tardiness	I-II
37. Theft	II-III
38. Threat to staff, student or other person	I-III
39. Tobacco and Nicotine violation	I-II
40. Trespassing	I-II
41. Truancy	I-II
42. Unacceptable Language	I-II
43. Weapon Possession	II-III

ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ATHLETIC HANDBOOK

Updated 6/25/22

Reminders for Parents/Guardians and Student Athletes

The "Parent Consent Form" within the FamilyID Athletic Registration system is an agreement of understanding of all rules and standards of conduct.

All practices are a closed session. If a parent or guardian needs to meet with the coach, Please schedule an appointment. The 24 hr rule is in effect . if a concern is raised, set a appointment with the coach 24 hrs after last practice or game.

You may refer to www.nysphsaa.org and www.section3.org in order to become familiar with the rules and regulations of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association and Section III Athletics.

Coaches will need to seek approval of the Athletic Director to hold practices on Sunday's. These practices may not begin before 12 noon. Sunday practices will be presented to the student athlete as optional and the coach may not punish an athlete for missing a Sunday practice. Communication to the Athletic Director should be made in advance when needing to schedule a Sunday practice.

All student athletes will be provided a locker during high school physical education class. It is the athlete's responsibility to secure all valuable items in his/her locker. The student athlete should not hesitate to speak to the coach or Athletic Director if they have valuable items that they want the coach to secure during practices or games.

All student athletes will be required to return all school issued uniforms and equipment at the end of each sports season. If school issued uniforms and equipment are not returned and in usable condition the parents/guardian will be responsible for the cost of replacement of any items not returned or returned in usable condition.

All student athletes will be required to create a NFHS username and password to access the NFHS Learn site <https://nfhslearn.com/> All student Athletes will be required to complete athletic courses assigned by the Director of athletics each sports season.

All student athletes will be required to complete 1 service project per sports season.

Quitting Teams

1. In the first two weeks of a sports season, a player may voluntarily withdraw from an athletic team without penalty. The student athlete must state reasons for withdrawal to the Athletic Director and return all team issued equipment immediately.
2. After the first two weeks, the coach and Athletic Director must agree that the player withdrawing from the team has satisfactory reasoning. If the player fails to provide sufficient reasoning, they will be in violation of the rules and therefore forfeit the right to participate in the next sport season.

Good Citizenship

Each student represents his/her team, school, and community. Our expectation, as a school, is that our student athletes conduct themselves showing character, integrity, and professionalism at all times. Consequently any behavior which brings embarrassment or negative attention to these groups may result in disciplinary action to the player as determined by the coach, athletic director, and/or principal. The coach, athletic director, or principal may deny student participation, for a period of time, as a result of inappropriate conduct as a team member. Examples of such misconduct include: (a) insubordination, (b) obscene gestures, swearing, provocation, (c) fighting, (d) stealing, (e) horseplay, (f) tardiness to practice, (g) unsportsmanlike conduct (in addition to any league or section sanctions), (h) vandalism and/or (l) any form or misuse of social media in any form to bully or harass any other student, Coaches and any other adult in OCS or any other school district. (J) There will be a ZERO tolerance policy regarding bullying including cyber bullying (k) any other disciplinary situations which may arise. (L) Student athletes are required to act as a good citizen in school and in public at all times

Team Try-Out Policy

Coaches will have a well-planned rubric to assess and evaluate student athletes. This rubric contains criteria that will allow the coach to rank athletes and therefore select the athletes for their team.

The coach has the sole responsibility for selecting their team. Cheerleading may use judges to help evaluate the talent.

Final "cut" lists will be posted by the coach after five days of try-outs.

A 7th or 8th grade athlete that has successfully completed the Athletic Placement Process (APP) will receive a three day try-out period (as per NYSPPHAA mandate).

Try-outs and practices are closed to the public due to safety reasons.

Any student athlete that is academically ineligible or suspended for disciplinary action may still try-out for an athletic team in the following sports season.

The coach will provide the opportunity to meet with the student athlete that did not make the team to provide guidance and encouragement on how to better improve their skills.

Travel Policy

During away contests, athletes must travel on school provided buses. Any deviation must be with parental permission expressed personally to the coach in writing and approved by director of athletics

1. Upon conclusion of an athletic contest, a parent/guardian may take their son or daughter home by completing the sign-out sheet provided by the coach.
2. A parent/guardian who wishes to have their child ride home from a contest with another parent or family member must complete the "Parental Permission - Transportation" form before the season begins. The coach and Athletic Director will each have a copy of this form.
3. The school district does not allow students to consume food while riding on the bus. Also, no glass containers are allowed on the bus.
4. Students traveling on the bus are reminded that they are representatives of the Oriskany Central School District and still under the Oriskany Code of Conduct.

Attendance Policy

- Any student athlete that goes home sick from school is not permitted to practice or play in a game on that day.
- A student must provide proof of a legal excuse (in accordance with the student code of conduct) if they miss the school day and would like to participate in a practice or compete in a game during the same day. If the student athlete is present for attendance and then is legally excused, this athlete could participate in that day's contest or practice. A student needs to attend a minimum of ½ day of school.
- Special cases may be brought to the attention of the Athletic Director, who will then review the information with the Jr. Sr. High School Principal and student. Situations dealing with students are chronically absent/tardy will be addressed and could result in loss of practice/game time.

Eligibility Regulation For Extra-Curricular Activities

All students will begin each academic school year with their academic eligibility intact. The eligibility policy is effective for all students in grades 7 through 12. Student's progress will be evaluated every five weeks by the use of a progress report or report card.

A student athlete who receives one failing grade will be placed into the two week academic/athletic **intervention program**. Within this program a student must:

1. This student must immediately create a plan with the teacher of the specified failing course to work to pass the course; this may include handing in missing assignments, or receiving extra help after school, during a study hall, during lunch time, or during a practice time.
2. Adhere to, respect and maintain this plan with the teacher for a minimum of two weeks.
3. Use the OCS Intervention Program Form as a communication piece between the teacher, student, coach and director of athletics
4. Any deviation from this plan by the athlete could result in further ineligibility.
5. All plans will have final approval by the Director of Athletics and the Building Principal

A student within this **intervention program** will always practice with the team and participate in all athletic contests as long as the above outlined program is attended.

A student athlete who receives two or more failing grades will be placed into the two week academic/athletic **recovery program**. Within this program a student must:

1. This student must immediately create a plan with the teachers of the specified failing courses to work to pass the courses; this may include handing in missing assignments, or receiving extra help after school, during a study hall, during lunch time, or during a practice time.
2. Respect and maintain this plan with the teachers for a minimum of two weeks.
3. Use the OCS Recovery Program Form as a communication piece between the teachers, students, and coach.
4. Any deviation from this plan by the athlete could result in further ineligibility.

A student within this **recovery program** will always practice with the team. They will be ineligible to participate in contests for two weeks.

At the conclusion of the two week period the student will:

1. Completely test out of the Recovery Program if all grades are passing.
2. Move to the OCS Intervention Program if the student is only failing one subject.
3. Remain in the OCS Recovery Program if the student is failing two or more subjects.

The initial two week period of ineligibility begins on the Monday after the progress report or report card is issued. Please refer to the district calendar for progress reports and report card dates.

ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL ATHLETICS

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION FORM

Students participating in athletics are required to be in good academic standing. If a student athlete is failing one subject at any 5-week progress reporting period they will be placed into the academic intervention program. The purpose of this program is for the school, teacher, and student to work together to be successful.

Within this program a student must:

1. Create a plan with the teacher of the specified failing course to work to pass the course; this may include handing in missing assignments, or receiving extra help after school, during a study hall, or during lunch time.
2. Respect and maintain this plan with the teacher for a minimum of two weeks.
3. Use the OCS Intervention Program Form as a communication piece between the teacher, student, and coach.

A student within this **intervention program** will always practice with the team and participate in all athletic contests as long as the above outlined program is attended.

Student Name:

Sport/Level:

Date That Recovery Program Begins: Monday,

Subject 1:

Teacher:

Teacher Comments:

ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL ATHLETICS

ACADEMIC RECOVERY FORM

Students participating in athletics are required to be in good academic standing. If a student athlete is failing two or more subjects at any 5-week progress reporting period they will be placed into the academic recovery program. Below are the steps and standards that align with the academic recovery program. The student-athlete will:

1. Create a plan with the teachers of the specified failing courses to work to pass the courses; this may include handing in missing assignments, or receiving extra help after school, during a study hall, or during lunch time.
2. Respect and maintain this plan with the teachers for a minimum of two weeks.
3. Use the attached OCS Recovery Program Form as a communication piece between the teachers, student, and coach.

A student within this **recovery program** will always practice with the team. They will be ineligible to participate in contests for two weeks.

At the conclusion of the two week period the student will:

1. Completely test out of the Recovery Program if all grades are passing
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ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL ATHLETICS
ACADEMIC RECOVERY FORM

Student Name:

Sport/Level:

Date That Recovery Program Begins: Monday,

Subject 1:

Teacher:

Teacher Comments:

Subject 2:

Teacher:

Teacher Comments:

Subject 3:

Teacher:

Teacher Comments:

Subject 4:

Teacher:

Teacher Comments:

Disciplinary Policy

The following disciplinary policy is in effect as soon as the athletic season begins, which is the first day of try-outs for each particular sport.

Temporary Suspensions from Team (grades 7-12):

- An athlete serving an In School Suspension (ISS) penalty must attend and participate in practice. The student athlete will not participate in athletic contests on any days that they serve ISS suspension. They will attend the game and support the team in dress clothes. If there are no athletic contests within the time frame that the student athlete attends ISS, they will serve the one game suspension at the next scheduled contest. If the student athlete does not show up to practice or game on the day of ISS, the athletic penalty will be served on the date of the next scheduled contest.
- An athlete serving an Out Of School Suspension (OSS) is not allowed on school grounds and cannot attend a school sanctioned event. This student will also miss the next scheduled contest upon return to school.

Immediate Suspension From Team (grades 7-12):

If sufficient evidence is provided to the school concerning:

- Possession or misuse of any substance with the intent to alter one's mood or performance.
- Smoking or possession of cigarettes, vapes, and/or tobacco products
- Drinking or possession of any type of alcoholic beverages or illegal substances

The school district will take the following action:

- An individual reporting the above mentioned violations must do so by providing the school with a written report of the incident.
- If an athlete is found guilty of violating any of the aforementioned rules, a suspension from athletic participation will commence immediately following these steps:

- » **Violation #1:** Students will miss 25% of the regularly scheduled contests for the season (i.e. if there are 20 contests scheduled for the season, the student athlete will not be able to play for 4 of the contests in that season). The student-athlete is expected to attend and participate in all practices during the length of suspension, and attend all games in dress clothes. The student-athlete must attend and participate in 2 counseling sessions with a staff member in the Office of Counseling and Career Services before returning to the team, and at least one additional counseling session within 2 weeks upon his/her return. The student athlete will be able to return to competition once the Athletic Counseling Release Form has been returned to the coach and all requirements have been met. If a student-athlete chooses not to attend all practices or to not attend counseling sessions, the student-athlete will be considered to have quit the team. This student

athlete will turn in all school owned equipment and uniforms that have been issued.

- *Note: if the season ends and the student-athlete has not completed the full suspension, the number of contests remaining will carry over to the next athletic season the student-athlete participates in.*
 - » **Violation #2:** Student will be removed from the team for the remainder of the current season, and miss all of the next athletic season (i.e. end of fall season, plus entire winter season).
 - » **Violation #3:** Student will not be allowed to participate in athletics for the remainder of their high school career.

ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL ATHLETICS
DISCIPLINARY REMEDIATION

Student Name:

Sport/Level:

Date:

Violation #:

Description of infraction leading to mediation:

Date of Session #1:

Discussion/Learning Goals/Outcomes:

Date of Session #2:

Discussion/Learning Goals/Outcomes:

Career Counseling Signature:

Student Signature:

Oriskany Central School District Return to Play Protocol For Concussions

The following protocol has been established in accordance to the National Federation of State High School Associations and the International Conference on Concussion in Sport (Prague, 2004). In addition it has been fabricated in a collaborative effort with the concussive experts within the greater Syracuse area and the Oriskany Central School District Concussion Management Team. As such, it is imperative to remember the safety of the student athlete is the primary concern of the Oriskany Central School District.

The information contained below is to be used as mere guidelines that are to be implemented in the time following a concussive event. This information is **not to be considered as all inclusive or all encompassing.**

For further reference, Administration, employees of the district, the Athletic Director, coaches, medical professionals who serve the district and/or student families, nurses, parents, and athletes themselves, may refer to the New York State Education Department's Guidelines for Concussion Management in the School Setting." This document does an excellent job of spelling out protocol for each of the above individuals who play a part in Return to Play protocol, and who in general, concern themselves with the safety of school student athletes. The 'Guideline' may be accessed electronically at:

www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/schoolhealth/.../ConcussionManageGuidelines.pdf

When a student athlete shows signs and symptoms of a concussion or is suspected to have sustained a brain injury after an evaluation by competent medical personnel at the time of the incident the following steps should occur:

1. The student athlete will not be allowed to return to play in the current game or practice.
2. The student athlete should not be left alone for 24 hours, and regular monitoring for deterioration is essential over the initial few hours following the injury.
3. The parent must be notified of the injury and be advised of the concussion management procedures.
4. If the coach is with the student athlete, the coach should notify the athletic director, school nurse, and/or Genesee Orthopedics.
5. Following the initial injury, the student athlete must follow up with their Primary Care Physician or be evaluated by an Emergency Department within the first 24 hours.
6. The student athlete must have the initial evaluation filled out, signed and dated when following up in the training room or the nurse's office (Adirondack Sport Medicine Consultant).
7. Before returning to play, the athlete must have a 2nd visit with the Primary Care Physician or Emergency Department Personnel. The return to play criteria must follow a medically supervised process.

There are many risks to premature return to play including: a greater risk for a second concussion because of a lower concussion threshold, second impact syndrome, exacerbation of any current symptoms, and possibly increased risk for additional injury due to alteration in balance. If there is any doubt whether or not a student-athlete has sustained a concussion, it shall be treated like a concussion.

1. While the student-athlete is still symptomatic, they must avoid re-injury (organized sports, physical education classes, recess, recreational activities).
2. They must also avoid activities that may cause physical or mental overexertion.
3. Depending on the symptoms, school days may be shortened, no tests taken, reading assignments shortened (with the understanding that work would be made up at a later time).
4. The best treatment is rest, relief (with medications), education, and accommodation.
5. Resist pressures to return to play too soon.

The cornerstone of proper concussion management is rest until the student athlete is symptom free. At this point the progressive graded program of exertion may begin. The athlete's history, duration of symptoms, and other factors must be considered (see attached Return to Play Protocol). The student athlete must pass through this graded progression before the athlete returns to sports. The program is broken down into **six steps in which only one step is covered per one 24 hour period**. The six steps involve the following:

DAY 1: No exertion activity until symptom free

DAY 2: Light aerobic exercise such as walking or stationary bike, etc.
No resistance training.

DAY 3: Sport specific exercises such as skating, running, etc.

DAY 4: Non-contact training/skill drills.

DAY 5: Full contact training in practice setting (if contact/collision sport)

DAY 6: Return to full competition.

If any concussion symptoms recur, the athlete should drop back to the previous level and try to progress after 24 hours of rest. In addition, the student-athlete should also be monitored for recurrence of symptoms due to mental exertion, such as reading, working on a computer, or taking a test.

In most cases, full recovery is in 7-10 days. Risk factors for slow or incomplete recovery are prior brain illness or injury, learning disability, or a psychiatric disorder. Psychological complications such as depression, anxiety or loss of self-confidence should be considered.

ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT **ATHLETIC MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Oriskany Central School District Interscholastic Athletic Programs is to foster the quest for excellence by creating an educational and competitive experience within an atmosphere of sportsmanship. Successful programs develop individual and team potential by promoting high standards of competence, character, civility, and citizenship.

COMPETENCE: Skill development, knowledge of game strategies, fitness, conditioning, and healthy behavior

CHARACTER: Responsibility, accountability, dedication, trustworthiness, fair play, and self control

CIVILITY: Respect, fairness, and caring

CITIZENSHIP: Loyalty, commitment, teamwork, and role modeling

Sportsmanship Code of Conduct

The New York State Public High School Athletic Association requires officials to enforce all sportsmanship rules for athletes and coaches. We will not tolerate negative statements or actions between opposing players, coaches, and/or spectators, especially trash-talking, taunting, or baiting of opponents. If such comments are heard or actions seen, a penalty will be assessed immediately. We have been instructed **not** to issue warnings during incidents of unsportsmanlike behavior. Let all contests reflect mutual respect.

- * Remember, all criticism concerning athletic problems, players or other coaches should be made to the Athletic Director in a private meeting.
- * Parent and student athlete sport questionnaires regarding the participation experience may be picked up in the High School Main Office or are available upon request from the Athletic Director.

ALMA MATER

Near the hills of Oriskany

**Where our forefathers fought and died,
We have studied that we might be
Worthy of our ancestral pride.**

CHORUS

**When the sun sets on high school days
Each battle some victory won.**

**We must aim high in all our ways
And be proud when our work is done.**

Alma Mater, we'll stand for thee

**Like a banner that stands unfurled,
Where we've entered to work and learn
And will go forth to serve the world.**

Repeat Chorus

MR. TIMOTHY GAFFNEY, *Superintendent*

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