

As summer looms, dress code violations on the rise

By Adam Wolford & Ben Davis

Regardless of Tuesday's late April visit by Old Man Winter, summer is fast approaching. And with it, the weather is getting warmer. This means it is time to put away the cardigans, hoodies, and sweatpants and get out the shorts, tank tops, and flip-flops. However, with the emergence of these "summer clothes" also comes short-shorts, skirts that are too short, and spaghetti strap or halter tops. While many students don't see a problem with these types of clothing, their teachers have another view on the situation.

As one female teacher explained, "It has gotten a lot worse and once the warmer weather gets here it will continue."

"Even really 'nice' girls are doing it," said a male teacher. A survey conducted among the teachers here at the high school revealed low-cut tops and T-shirts with vulgar text, pictures, or drawings on them, as the main offenders. However teachers also commented on low riding pants, torn jeans, and revealing outfits as other issues. One teacher even went as far as saying, "I think that every dress code that the school has is being violated in some way."

Many students will plead that they didn't know what the dress code entailed, despite the fashion show from the Freshman First Day and reminders at the class assemblies during the first week of school. In this situation ignorance is truly not bliss.

In every agenda, there is a code of conduct where the dress code is laid out for everyone to see. It states, "A student's dress [shall]...recognize that extremely brief garments...and see through garments are not appropriate...ensure that underwear is completely covered at all times...[and] students are prohibited from wearing hats, bandanas, hoods and other head coverings..." This is just a slice of the dress code that was put into effect in the district in July 2009.

So with the dress code in place, why aren't more teachers turning students in? According to one teacher, male teachers are reluctant to speak to the girls about this because, "the students would accuse them of sexual harassment. Some girls make comments like, 'why are you looking?' Others say 'I can't help

it that I have large ones,' but they can by not wearing those types of shirts...it is impossible not to notice their cleavage. As an adult, I do not want to see the cleavage of a young girl."

So why do some girls dress this way when they know it be both a distraction and in violation of school code? "They want the attention," was one faculty member's opinion.

It is clear that the dress code is being broken, but many students don't understand why it is a big deal. First of all it is extremely unprofessional to dress outside of the given dress code in a professional setting. Also it is a distraction in the classroom.

One teacher commented, "It is a distraction in PE class. It is hard to move around with low tops or jeans that are falling off." Not only can dress code violations be distracting, but it can

cuous look appear "cool" and socially acceptable to young girls across the U.S." These idols set the dress trend for young girls and the style has only gotten increasingly worse since then.

Violating the dress code is an issue that teachers and administration at the high school are facing every day. Solving this issue is not as clear-cut as one may think. With the many legal issues that teachers face now a days it is hard for male, or female teachers for that matter, to talk to students about their clothing. One teacher comically suggested that, "We [the school] should pass out bibs to the violators and make them wear them all day."

One way to avoid getting caught up in the drama of the dress code violations is to just follow them. There are many ways to stay fashionable and show one's sense of style without

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also, in some cases, impede your performance in a class. Another teacher explained, "I do find it distracting and I am a heterosexual female. I cannot imagine what male teachers and students think..."

The new dress styles of students have gotten progressively worse since the late 90's, girls at that time dressed very conservatively by today's standards. One teacher states, "I noticed a very visible change after the likes of Christina Aguilera and Britney Spears hit the scene in 1999. Since they were young girls at the time, their fashion style made the promis-

wearing low-cut tops or jeans that barely stay on your body.

As one faculty member put it, "the school is not the beach and there is no need to dress that way. We need to teach students that there are different ways to dress depending on where you are. If these girls were on my payroll, for example, I would not allow them to dress this way. As a consumer, if I go into a store and someone is exposing themselves with a low-cut shirt, I will go to another sales rep."

So as the weather gets warmer students are reminded, this is a school...dress appropriately.

Ten spots remain for Science Club trip

The Science Club trip to Philadelphia is less than a month away and almost everything is set in stone. However there are still a few seats open that need to be filled. The club still has enough room for ten more people to join along.

If you're already going on the trip, grab one more friend to take along for our fun filled adventure. If you have not signed up yet and have any questions about the trip, see President of Science Club, Zachary Froio or head of the Science Department, Mr. Gillard and they will be sure to answer all of your questions.

The trip will cost \$145 which includes transportation and hotel accommodations. The group will visit the Philadelphia Zoo and the Adventure Aquarium as well as sampling world-famous Philly Cheese-steak sandwiches. The trip will take place on May 21-22. **By Zach Froio**

Laxmen charge to first win of season

There is a first time for everything...and on Tuesday the boys varsity lacrosse team started out the second half of the season with a bang, as they were on the winning end of a 13-3 final score against the Chittenango Bears.

Chittenango could have been the favorite coming into this game as they were 3-1 and Fulton was 0-8, but the Raiders were determined to come out victorious and they did. It was a great team effort all around as the whole

Busy week ahead for Raider softball

The Lady Raiders are looking to clinch two league wins this week, as they travel to Mexico on Wednesday and play Jamesville-Dewitt at home on Thursday. They will also be taking part in the Oswego "Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament" this weekend. The games are scheduled for 4 pm and 6 pm on Legends Fields. The Raiders were scheduled to play on Monday at home against Fowler, but were unfortunately rained out.

The Raiders have been preparing all throughout spring break, frequently scrimmaging with the JV softball players, for this jam-packed week of five games.

Mexico will be coming into the game Wednesday with a 3-4 record. They recently lost 7-0 against Christian Brothers Academy on Monday. Although Mexico only has recorded three wins, they are not to be underestimated. Their wins include Fowler, Cortland, and third-place Jamesville-Dewitt. Hopefully the weather will hold up so the Raiders can fit this game in.

J-D is currently 5-4. They are third in the league and recently beat East-Syracuse Minoa on Monday, 6-1. The Lady Raiders suffered a tough loss against J-D earlier this season, losing 3-2. The Raiders look to avenge the J-D Red Rams at home this Thursday. The first pitch will be thrown at 4:30 pm, so come down and support your Lady Raiders! **By Alicia Vann**

team did their part to pave their way to their first win. Fulton displayed dominance on every aspect of the field throughout the entire contest.

The Raiders opened up the game with a face-off win and an early goal, and they never looked back. It was smooth sailing for Fulton throughout the rest of the game. After the Raiders opened up a 3-1 first quarter lead, they continued scoring in the second quarter and had a 9-1 lead at halftime as Fulton racked up six goals in the second quarter and shut out the Bears in the second quarter.

The second half was a different story for the Raiders as they only scored four goals, but the defense held Chittenango to a lone two goals in the third and fourth quarter.

The defense played a solid game, limiting the Bears to only fourteen shots on the cage. Leading the close defensive unit is senior Jake Tallents and juniors Jim Marsh and Don Watson. The three players had a good performance in front of senior goalie Eric Belair who

had eleven saves on the day.

Another key category that is normally overlooked is face-offs. Fulton was dominate at the face-off x against the Bears as junior Colin Shannon and sophomore Steven DeLisle seemed invincible at the position.

Leading the Raiders in scoring was senior Bobby Earnshaw with five goals and adding one assist. Junior Brett Williams scored four goals, along with two assists. Senior Jack Howard scored two goals to round out the scoring. Sophomore Steven DeLisle had two assists, and juniors Colin Shannon and Don Watson each had one assist.

The Raiders played a great game and it was great to get a win, but they have a huge contest on Thursday afternoon as a division foe, the Homer Trojans, will come marching into town. Fulton will try to avenge, or at least close the gap from an earlier season match-up where the Trojans defeated Fulton 19-3. Opening face-off is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. **By Eric Belair**



Fulton' Audrey Proto claimed Honorable Mention honors in the grade 7-9 division of the recent Oswego County Fine Arts Competition, which was held at the Salmon River Fine Arts Center in Pulaski. Audrey, pictured above, was honored for her Personal Symbol, "Seeking." (photo submitted by Ms. Koblentz)

THIS WEEK IN RAIDER SPORTS

Today: Baseball vs. Mexico (4:30); Softball @ Mexico (4:30); Girls lax @ Cortland (V-5 p.m./JV-6:30).

Thurs. April 29: Boys lax vs. Homer (4:30); Girls lax @ New Hartford (JV-5:00/V-6:30).

Fri. April 30: Softball @ J-D (4:30); Baseball vs. J-D (4:30); Tennis vs. Homer (4:30).

Upcoming events:

Thursday, April 29: GRB Coaches vs. Cancer, 7 p.m. in the GRB gym.

Thursday, April 29: District Student Art Show @ Fourth Street Ed. Center, 6-8 p.m.

GRB Blood Drive yields 40 new donors

The students and staff at G. Ray Bodley High School did more than watch the clock on the final day before spring break, as the annual Student Senate Blood Drive made its way to the high school. And by the time the long day was over, the Red Cross was ahead by some 77 productive pints.

A total of 40 new donors gave "the gift of life." More than 100 people signed up, but due to time constraints there were 77 presentations, which included seven double red cell procedures.

Among those taking part were main office secretary Mrs. Ingersoll, below, and senior

Lucy Loomis, right. *RaiderNet Daily* was well represented as both Amanda Wood, center right, and Max Ambuske, bottom right.

In the bottom left photo, Student Senate Advisor Mr. Thurlow looks over the registration desk, being attended to by Jeannette Bartlett, right.

All of the blood collected at GRB was transported to West Henrietta on Friday night. From there the test tubes were transported via air to an American Red Cross testing laboratory in suburban Chicago. While the blood is in West Henrietta, the whole blood is seperated into red blood cells for surgeries, platelets for can-

cer patients, and plasma for burns and accident victims.

According to account manager Christopher J. Hoffman, "your drive helped up to 191 hospital patients."

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What did you do over Spring Break?



"Slept in and played with my son Keagan."
Mrs. Shortslef



"Went to the Casino for a few days and did housework."
Mrs. Jodway



"I really just slept."
Sarah Woodworth



"Went to Maryland and D.C., and saw the zoo. It was amazing."
Raquel Vescio

Morning announcements for Wednesday, April 28

Attention juniors! Prom tickets are currently on sale for \$35 per person. See Katelyn Holbrook or Mr. Reale to purchase your tickets.

Bring in your old, unwanted or broken cell phones to recycle. Today the advisory with the most recycled cell phones will win an all expense paid breakfast on behalf of the fantastic GRB recycling club.

GRB will hold its own version of Coaches vs. Cancer night this Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Bodley gym, featuring the likes of Coach Kent, Coach Heindorf, Coach Fasulo, Coach Halliday and Coach Waldron. It's sure to be a night to remember as all of the proceeds will go to our Bodleyans afflicted with Cancer. So be sure to come out and support our GRB family this Thursday night.

The Freshman class will be holding a dance this Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. Your \$5 admission will get you a free drink and a photograph. Come bring your dancing shoes and help support the Class of 2013.

Buy a photo club t-shirt for \$15. Order forms are in room 120. The next meeting of the club will be on Wednesday, May 12 after school. Anyone with pictures left from the photo contest, you can pick them up in room 120. Don't forget that the deadline for the spring photo contest is next Friday, May 7.

Meteorology and you

by *Carson Metcalf*

Today: Partly cloudy with a scattered shower. High around 50.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low in the low-30s.

Tomorrow: Sunny skies. High near 60.

GRB sophomore Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist and the creator of the Central New York Weather Center @ www.centralnewyorkweather.com ...Look for his weather forecasts on RaiderNet Daily.

