



Brewster Central School District Code of Conduct Public Hearing

November 9th, 2021

BCSD District-Wide Code of Conduct

- *“...for the maintenance of order on school property and at school functions”*
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1002.html#coc>
- Proposed Code meets legal requirements
18 components as outlined by the
Commissioner of Education

Who Does the Code of Conduct Apply To?

Applies to all BCSD students, staff, visitors

- Governs regardless of learning mode
- Building-level student handbook:
 - School specific
 - Developmental level

What is the purpose?



- Should reflect our beliefs around behavior
- Partnership - everyone has a role
- Setting expectations for a positive learning environment

Short History



- Code of Conduct Committee formed
- Revised Spring-Summer of 2021
- Public Hearing August 2021
- Board approved September 14, 2021
- Re-opened

Revisions from Sept Draft



Adjustment #1

“A student's dress, grooming and appearance, including hair style/color, jewelry, make-up, and nails, shall”

- to -

“A student's dress, grooming and appearance shall”

Revisions from Sept Draft (con't)

Adjustment #2

- *“Recognize that extremely brief garments such as tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines (front and/or back) and see-through garments are not appropriate”*

Covered in previous sentence:

- *“Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.”*

Revisions from Sept Draft (con't)



Adjustment #3

Removal of:

“Not include the wearing of hats in the classroom except for a medical or religious purpose”

Timeline & Process

- Public hearing part II - November 9th
- Opportunity for community / staff / student feedback - (November 10th - December 1st)
 - Google form is [here](#) or mgosh@brewsterschools.org
- Code of Conduct Committee review - Nov - Dec
- Proposed BoE approval date - January 18th