

UNITED NATION'S DAY 2009

Grade 8: U.S.A. 1950's

Costume Guidelines

Dear Parents: It is that time of year already...United Nation's Day! Here are some guidelines to help you create your child's costume for this festive day (Friday, October 30). Please remember these things:

- Low Stress – Allow yourself enough time.
- Low Cost – Borrow items if possible.
- Be Creative – Not everyone has to look identical, create a look that is unique for your child
- Age Appropriate – Make sure the costume is comfortable, allows for movement and is modest.

Girls:

There are so many wonderful fashion options from this era. I am looking for a little more sophisticated look than a poodle skirt or rolled up jeans and dress shirt. For some points of reference think of the school dance scene in the gym from the movie Grease. The movie Hairspray has some great dress ideas as well. Stay away from pencil skirts because they are hard to move in. Full skirts with large belts (Lucille Ball style) were popular.

Hair can be worn styled up or down, in a ponytail, etc. Research the era to find a style that works best for you.

Shoe options are pumps, flats, saddle shoes, etc.

Accessory suggestions: cats eye glasses, white gloves, purse, pearls, etc.

Boys:

Think of a more sophisticated look rather than jeans and a white t-shirt. Perhaps dress slacks and a cardigan or a dress suit with skinny-legged slacks. White socks worn with black dress shoes were popular. Men's hairstyles involved lots of gel.

