

## CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

### APPLICATION PROCESS

- Attend the caucus and be nominated.
- If you don't attend the caucus you can still be a candidate through the petition process by securing at least ten (10) signatures on the petition form included in the application packet.
- Either way, you must still complete an application form that will be available at the caucus or in the Tribal Secretary's office after the caucus.

**NOTE:** If you wish to become a Business Committee candidate, you can only run for one elective position.

- Remember the deadline date for submitting applications and/or petitions. This is five (5) business days after the caucus. Look at the application. The required deadline date is on the front of the packet and is usually highlighted.
- Submit your application in person either by you or someone you designate. This is the only way for submitting a packet. They will not accept mailed, faxed, overnight delivery or Internal Tribal mail.

### CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

- If you accept campaign contributions, make sure they are from Oneida Tribal members only or individuals who are related by blood or marriage to the candidate.
- Do not solicit or accept campaign funds in any Tribal office, business or facility. This is a violation of the Election Law.
- Violations of this law can result in fines being imposed upon the candidate.

### CAMPAIGN SIGNS & CAMPAIGNING

- If you wish to place campaign signs throughout the reservation, keep in mind that a sign cannot exceed 16 square feet in area. To figure out how many square feet your sign is, multiply the length times the width, i.e., a 4x4 would be 16 sq. ft.; a 3x5 would be 15 sq. ft.; and a 3x3 would be 9 sq. ft.
- Do not place any sign in the Right of Way. Look at the shoulder of the road. There should be a small yellow and black marker with the letters R/W. Make sure you place your sign behind this marker.

- Do not erect signs on Tribal property. This includes all buildings, entities, vacant lots and parking areas owned by the Tribe.
- You may place a sign on private property within the reservation if you have the homeowner/tenant's permission. This would include homes in Site I, Site II, Three Sisters and any other Oneida development or subdivision.
- Remember that signs are limited to a maximum of seven (7) signs per building or lot. If there are already seven signs on a particular location, do not place another one. This could cause all signs in this area to be removed for the remainder of the election.
- Do not campaign on Tribal property. You are prohibited from placing flyers on car windows if those cars are in a Tribal parking lot. Your mother, father, brother, sister or any other individual who campaigns on your behalf is also required to follow the law. You can be fined if someone in your campaign party is violating the law.
- When voting day arrives, do not wear buttons, stickers, t-shirts or any other item that would promote any candidate.
- Arrive at the polling place, register, cast your vote and then leave. You are prohibited from loitering on or near the polling site as this could be construed as campaigning.
- Campaigning is also prohibited within 280 feet of a polling site. This normally means no closer than across the street from the polling site as you are prohibited from campaigning on Tribal property or its parking lot.