



SCS FORMAL DANCE DRESS CODE – HIGH SCHOOL APPLIES TO ALL STUDENTS AND GUESTS OF SCS STUDENTS

The guidelines illustrate the general standards of modesty in the SCS community. Please realize that these guidelines are not exhaustive, but they do provide a starting place that communicates the spirit of our formal dress code standards. Students of either gender who arrive out of dress code may be sent home.

GIRLS' FORMAL DRESS

This guide is our earnest effort to allow the widest range of styles that support our community's standards. We recognize that the same dress, cut in the same way, may be modest on one body type but too revealing on another. Please consult the female sponsors prior to the event if you have any questions about your dress selection.

General

- No visible undergarments.
- No dresses/skirts shorter than 3" above the knee.
- Test-drive your dress: dance, lift your hands above your head, lean over, sit. Are you just as comfortable and modest while moving as you are while standing still?
- Final Tip: Bring a shawl or sweater in case of wardrobe malfunction.

If you do not have the means to fix an immodest dress at the event, you may be asked to wear a sweater or shawl that we provide, or you may be asked to leave - we don't ever like having to ask someone to leave!

Tops and Backs

- Avoid visible cleavage.
- Strapless dresses are allowed (but remember that you will be moving!)
- Open backs are acceptable, but should stop at or above the small of the back.

Midriff and Two-Pieces

- No visible midriff (exposed stomachs or sides).
- Cut-outs must be lined with mesh. (Flesh-tone, black, or a color that coordinates with your dress)
- Two-piece dresses that overlap are acceptable as long as the midriff is still covered when you raise your arms above your head. This can be helped with tailoring (tacking), mesh, a cami, etc.
- Two-piece dresses designed to reveal the midriff are discouraged. They must be connected with opaque mesh.

GUYS' FORMAL DRESS

Formal affairs are indeed formal, and this includes your time on the dance floor. Loosening your tie or removing your jacket is acceptable; unbuttoning your shirt to reveal your chest is not. Please consider style and comfort through the night when choosing your wardrobe.

Guidelines

- No visible undergarments.
- You must wear a suit or tux with a dress shirt.
- Choose a modest dress shirt. If the dress shirt is sheer, wear an undershirt. Any formal style (collared or collarless/mandarin) is acceptable.
- Collared shirts require ties. (Traditional, bow, skinny, and bolo ties are all acceptable.)
- Formal accessories (top hats, fedoras, canes, etc.) are allowed.

If you do not have the means to fix an immodest or informal outfit at the event, you may be asked to leave - we don't ever like having to ask someone to leave!