



ARCHBISHOP RYAN HIGH SCHOOL

Office of the Principal

JUNIOR AND SENIOR PROM DRESS CODE

2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

The administration and faculty want you to make good and appropriate choices. We are not looking to inhibit your choice or style. However, the Junior Dance and Senior Prom are **school-sponsored** events which require appropriate attire.

Dress Code for Junior Dance and Senior Prom: Student dances, like events and activities which take place at Archbishop Ryan, must reflect the Catholic character and identity of this educational institution. The Junior Prom and Senior Prom are formal events.

Male students are required to wear formal wear.

1. Male students may wear a tuxedo with dress shoes *or*
2. Male students may wear a suit with button-down shirt, tie, and formal dress shoes.
3. Sneakers or casual boots are not permitted.

Female students are required to wear a formal gown.

1. No two-piece dresses will be permitted. Dresses may not have the midriffs exposed.
2. Dresses may not utilize skin-toned, see-through fabrics, such as (but not limited to) tulle, netting, or "illusion," below the bust line, which attempt to mimic skin-tone. A more contrasting fabric color is allowed.
3. Dresses may not be cut below the bust-line in the front; this includes cut-outs below the bust line. No excessive cleavage will be permitted.
4. Dresses may be backless; however, they may not be cut below the natural waist.
5. Dresses may not have a slit that exceeds 3 inches above the knee.
6. No pinning will be allowed as an alteration to a dress, if without the pins the dress does not meet the dress code. Fabric inserts must be sewn-in as alterations to the dress.
7. Dresses must meet the dress code without the addition of a cover-ups (shawls/wraps, sweaters, coats, etc.).

Buying your formal dress is an expensive purchase. Please keep the dress code for formal dance/prom in mind as you shop for your attire. Expenses paid out for a dress not meeting the dress code will NOT be considered or reimbursed under any circumstances



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Attire worn by someone else to a dance at another high school or highlighted in Prom Fashion magazines is not automatically appropriate for our dances, per the above guidelines.

Students have the option of showing the dress or a photo of the dress to an administrator if they need clarification; however, this is not required.

While we will be reasonable in our interpretation of these guidelines, students will be held accountable for them if in violation. Students violating the code will be given the option of wearing a provided t-shirt cover-up or calling a parent to take them home.

This form is an acknowledgement of the prom dress policy. To receive the paperwork to purchase prom tickets, all stipulations must be fulfilled, including signing off on the dress code, viewing and signing off on the video for parents which will be posted in January 2018. Additionally, students must be current in tuition and maintain appropriate attendance and discipline in school.

Student's name: (Print) _____

Student's Signature: _____
Date

Section: _____ Student Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
Date

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Date