

As students begin to prepare for prom we would like to remind parents and students that there are guidelines as to what students will be allowed to wear. Below is an excerpt taking from our student hand book, however, to better assist students and to inform parents what students can and cannot wear we have included more detailed guidelines and pictures to assist you. Thank you for your continuous support.

*“Students are expected to know what to wear at school social events. Our students must realize that different occasions dictate the appropriate dress for social functions. It is hoped that students will make mature and responsible decisions regarding dress for social events, keeping in mind St. Genevieve's standard of modesty and good taste in Dress Code. Students attired in an inappropriate manner may not be admitted to any school event.” Student-Parent Handbook 2017-2018*

## PROM DRESS CODE

### General:

1. Dress shoes; Sneakers or tennis shoes may not be worn.
2. Baseball caps may not be worn.
3. The school will not be responsible for purses, wallets, or valuables.
4. Tattoos must not be visible.
5. Anyone with questions about the suitability of an outfit or whether a particular item meets the dress code requirements should see the Director of Character Formation for approval.
6. Students deemed inappropriately dressed by an administrator will not be allowed to attend the dance and will not be refunded for tickets purchased. (A call will be placed to parents informing them of the situation and the parents will be invited to bring clothing that meets requirements if possible.)

### Girls:

1. Dresses are to be formal or semi-formal.
2. Skirts and dresses may not be higher than 3 inches above the knee (even if tights or leggings are worn).
3. Dresses or skirts with a slit cannot be higher than 3 inches above the knee.
4. Dresses are not to expose any part of the midriff.
5. Dresses with open backs may NOT be cut below the natural waistline or be open on the sides, even with the use of sheer or nude material.
6. All necklines must be modest and should not exceed past the armpits. **NO PLUNGING NECKLINES!** Dresses may have spaghetti straps or be strapless as long as they are of a modest neckline.
7. Dresses that are laced together in the front cannot reveal bare skin under the lacing or use nude material.
8. Dresses with cut outs are not allowed, including any sheer or nude material covering the cutouts or sides.
9. Dresses that appear skin toned, tan, or nude in color, giving the illusion that the wearer of the dress is bare may not be approved.

### Boys:

1. Tuxedos or dress suits are required. (No shorts).
2. Tuxedos and suits cannot have any logo or design other than normal material patterns, i.e. stripes or plaids.
3. No “zoot suit” canes or chains are allowed.
4. Pants cannot be too big or sagging.
5. Dress shoes are required. **NO TENNIS SHOES**, including tennis shoes that look or appear dressy.
6. Shirts must be worn the entire dance. Anyone removing his shirt will be referred to the Dean for disciplinary action.
7. Generally speaking, hats are not allowed. However, if the hat is part of the formal attire, this may be permitted. Check with the Dean **BEFORE** the event to see if it is appropriate to wear to prom.

## NOT ACCEPTABLE TO WEAR



Midriff cannot be exposed



Dress may not be higher than 3 inches above the knee



Slits may not exceed 3 inches above the knee



Open backs may not be cut below the natural waist line



No nude or see through material that makes the wearer of the dress look bare

## ACCEPTABLE TO WEAR



Dress has a modest neckline, and doesn't exceed past the armpits



Backless dress stops at the natural waistline



Dress does not exceed 3 inches above the knee



Slit does not exceed 3 inches above the knee



A sheer material may be worn keeping with a modest neckline



Dress is light in color, but doesn't give the appearance of being bare

## NOT ACCEPTABLE TO WEAR



T-shirts are not formal or semi-formal



Tennis Shoes are not dress shoes



Jeans are not formal attire

## ACCEPTABLE TO WEAR



Tuxedos are formal attire



Tuxedos with prints or patterns



Hats that are part of the formal attire