

Paradise High School: Prom Dress Code and Guidelines

Prom is a special night for PHS students; therefore, we hope to maintain the integrity and formality of this special occasion by implementing a respectable and appropriate dress code. There are a multitude of beautiful, tasteful, and appropriate dresses, suits, and attire available for prom.

You are welcome to bring photos of your attire with poses from several different sides for pre-approval. As this is a school-sponsored activity, *any person that attends this event must be in compliance with this dress code and all PHS policies and procedures.*

Direct all questions to high school administrative staff. The determination of the appropriateness of student dress and grooming shall rest with the principal/assistant principals/jr. class sponsors. Other teachers, office staff, and parent chaperones do not have authorization to approve prom attire.

Ladies:

- • Dresses need to be modestly cut in the front so as not to show too much cleavage (should not be extremely low-cut in the front or back). The front of the dress must not fall below the bra line; the back of the dress must not fall below the waist. No side cleavage exposure.
- • Undergarments should be covered by the dress and should not be visible. Undergarments cannot be used to meet dress code guidelines.
- • All dresses must be of appropriate length, mid-thigh or longer. No slits (front, back, or side) higher than the finger-tip length in a standing position.
- • Two-piece dresses are acceptable under the following conditions: there should be no more than 3 inches of skin between the top and bottom pieces, and see-through tops and bra-type tops are not acceptable at any point.
- • Cover-ups (coats, shawl, wraps, and/or sweaters) will be allowed over dresses in order to make them meet the dress code, *but they **must** be worn at all times.*
- • All dress alterations must be permanent-- No quick fixes at the door will be made in order to make the dress acceptable.

Gentlemen:

- • Expected attire for the gentlemen is a dress shirt & tie; suit and tie; or tuxedo; Jeans maybe worn if they are in new condition (no holes) pressed with sports coat/blazer and tie.
- • Non-formal headwear (baseball caps, do rags, bandannas, etc.) will not be allowed.
- • Cut-off shirts, t-shirts or tank tops may not be worn under the suit jacket as the suit shirt.