

The Pinewood Christian Academy Prom is one of the most memorable experiences for our high school students. This event is designed to be fun and enjoyable. The PCA faculty and administration want you to make great choices for prom night attire. In recognition of prom being a special, formal event for our PCA students, the integrity of this event will be maintained. With that in mind, firm guidelines as to what is appropriate dress for both ladies and gentlemen have been established. Please be sure to review these guidelines PRIOR to renting/purchasing your prom attire.

Even though in the past, dress attire that did not meet this criteria may have been admitted, these guidelines will be strictly adhered to at this year's event. If your prom date IS NOT a current PCA student, it is YOUR responsibility to make your date aware of the Prom Attire Guidelines. Any student or guest who is not appropriately dressed will be turned away at the door and not allowed to attend the prom activities.

### Prom Attire Guidelines

Keep modesty in mind when shopping.

#### Gentlemen:

- Formal attire: tuxedo or dress suit to include a tie or bow tie
- No hats, canes, or unnecessary accessories

#### Ladies:

- Dresses **may** be strapless or include spaghetti straps.
- Dresses **may not** be cut below the bust line. The bust line continues around your sides directly under the armpit. With arms by your side, if flesh touches flesh below the bust line, the dress is inappropriate.\*
- Dresses **may** be backless as long as they are not cut below the naval. The small of your back should not be exposed.
- Midriffs **will not** be exposed. This includes both the front and side of the torso. With arms by your side, if flesh touches flesh in the front midriff section, the dress is inappropriate.
- Dresses **may not** have a slit higher than mid-thigh. Dress length must be at least mid-thigh measuring shortest non-shear part. This is considered finger-tip length.
- Dresses with see-through fabric in the midriff or below the bust line are **not** acceptable. Undergarments should not be visible.
- Dresses that are overly tight are **not** acceptable.

\*Fabric and/or non-sheer mesh inserts may be sewn, not pinned, on a dress if without the inserts the dress does not meet the Prom Attire Guidelines. Alterations must stay intact for the duration of the event.

\*\*No cover-ups (coats, shawls, sweaters) will be allowed over dresses that do not follow the Prom Attire Guidelines.

You are strongly encouraged to seek approval of prom attire. You may email pictures of dresses to [lshuman@pinewoodchristian.org](mailto:lshuman@pinewoodchristian.org).