



Formal Wear Dress Code

The following rules and guidelines apply to both SLHS students and their dates.

It is the responsibility of the students of SLHS to inform their dates of these guidelines.

Remember: Classy, not trashy!

Clean, Neat, and Modest

# Bust Line:

Dresses may not be cut below the bust line.

The bust continues around your sides to directly under the armpit.

Your arms shouldn't be able to touch your skin on your sides.



# Neck Line:

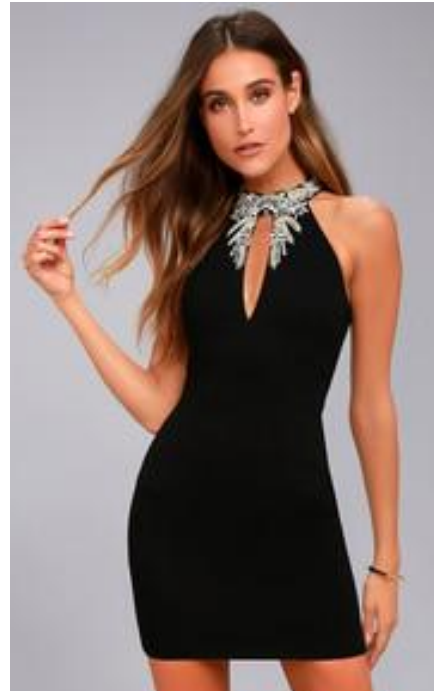
Neckline of female students must not be lower than five inches from the base of the neck.

Neckline varies from person to person, so use your better judgement



**\*This dress is  
in dress code**

# Dresses that are *not* in dress code:



# Backless Dresses:

Dresses may be backless as long as they are not cut below the navel.

The bust is still covered on the sides.



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in dress code**

# Midriffs:

Midriffs can't be exposed.

This includes both front and side.

With arms down at your side, if your arms can touch your midriff section the dress isn't in dress code.



**Midriff  
Section**

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in dress code**

# Dresses that are *not* in dress code:





# Dress Slit:

Dresses can't have a slit that exceeds mid-thigh.

A good rule of thumb is if it lower than your fingertips, it's in dress code.



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# Dress Length:

Your dress length shouldn't be shorter than your fingertips when you're moving.

When measuring from the top of the knee, the bottom of the dress must meet the top edge (width) of a dollar bill or credit card.

**Appropriate Length**



**\*The length is in dress code but the back isn't**

# Dresses that are *not* in dress code:



# **Pinning and Fabric Inserts:**

- No pinning will be allowed as an alteration for a dress if without the pins the dress does not meet dress code.
- Fabric inserts must be sewn not pinned on the dress if without the inserts the dress does not meet dress code.
- No cover-ups (coats, shawls, sweaters) will be allowed over dresses that do not meet dress code.

# Normal Dress Code Rules Still Enforced with Formal Wear:

- No body piercings except for ear piercings
- No visible tattoos
- Cosmetic contact lenses of a color not natural to a person or patterned lenses unless such color or pattern is prescribed by a doctor as necessary for sight correction
- Hair colors not natural to a person (i.e. green, orange, purple, etc), or spiked hair.

# Good examples:



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# Final Thoughts

- We can be flexible in our interpretation of these guidelines so if you have a question about a specific dress, just ask! :) Better to have asked first than to be kicked out of the dance later.
- If dresses are interpreted to be inappropriate, the staff reserves the right to ask you to leave the dance.
- This dress code hopefully allows you to express your own unique fashion, while also being comfortable, classy, and stylish.





Make good decisions, be safe, & have fun!

If you have any questions ask Ms. Allin, Mrs. Murphy, or Dr. Seddon