

CUYAHOGA VALLEY
CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY

2026-2027
Formal Event Attire Standards



CVCA FORMAL EVENT ATTIRE STANDARDS

We desire that all students enjoy CVCA's special evening events and ask that they dress appropriately. The following pages detail our formal dress standards. We expect students and all guests to know and adhere to these guidelines. Because CVCA Staff and Administration will enforce this dress code at each event, parents and students should collaborate to ensure the student's attire meets the dress code BEFORE the night of the event.

Ladies:

To reinforce the Student Appearance Standards that CVCA has established and are outlined in the Student-Parent handbook, student and parental cooperation is needed. We understand that this process is somewhat subjective in nature, especially when the same dress can fit each young lady differently. However, to guide this process, we have established this more detailed description (with pictures) of standards expected for both young men's attire and young ladies' dresses that we believe are in keeping with the spirit of our Student Appearance Guidelines.

Permitted:

- One-shouldered dresses
- Open back dresses
- Slits no higher than mid-thigh
- Form-fitting, but not excessively tight
- Strapless

Dresses with the following characteristics are NOT permitted:

- Clingy (slip dress) material
- Backless dresses
- Low-cut dresses with cleavage showing
- Excessively short hemline or high slit
- Midriff showing (2-piece dresses, cut-outs)
- No undergarments should be visible

In the spirit of wanting students to attend, enjoy, and make lasting memories and to avoid any uncomfortable situations concerning dress choices, young ladies may submit photos of their dresses before the event. These photos can be submitted to Mrs. Laura Chadima or Mrs. MaryAnn McMullen. Students can stop in the office or send via email to lchadima@cvcroyals.org or mmcmullen@cvcroyals.org.

If a family opts not to send photos of the dress of choice and it does not meet CVCA's Guidelines for Formal Banquet Attire Standards, the student may not be permitted to attend the event, or may be asked to change.

Gentlemen:

Permitted:

- Suit or tuxedo
- Sport coat
- Dress slacks
- Collared shirt
- Tie
- Belt

Not Permitted:

- Joggers or sweatpants
- Cargo pants
- Shorts
- T-shirts/tank-tops

Young men must keep their dress shirts on and buttoned for the entire banquet and during dancing. If a student does not meet the Formal Attire guidelines, he may not be permitted to attend the event, or may be asked to change.

NOTE FOR GUESTS:

If you choose to bring a date outside the CVCA community, please provide him or her with a copy of CVCA's Formal Event Attire Standards. Thank you.

LADIES' DRESS GUIDELINES

Dress Sides:

Dresses may not be cut below the bust line at the sides. With arms down at your side, if skin touches skin below the bust line, it does **not** meet code.

Dress Back:

Dresses may have an open back, but the dress must **not** be fully backless.

Dress Fabric:

Dresses may **not** be made of see-through fabrics or nude looking fabrics such as tulle, netting or illusion.

Dress Fit:

While dresses can be form fitting, they should **not** be excessively tight.

Neckline:

Strapless is okay if the neckline is not excessively low.

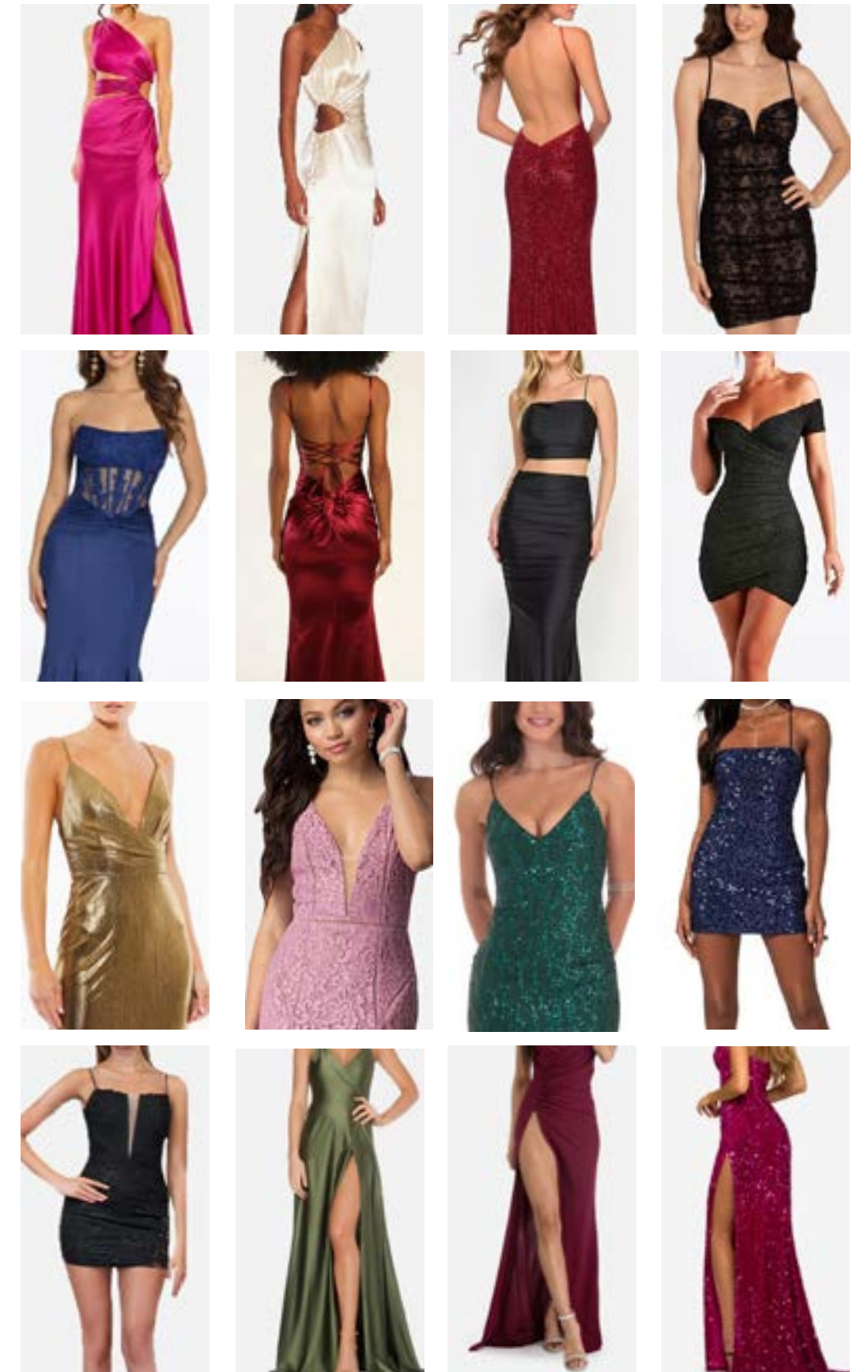
Dress Length

Dress length should not be higher than fingertip length.

Skirt Slit:

Slits should be no higher than fingertip length.

Inappropriate Samples:



GENTLEMEN'S ATTIRE GUIDELINES

SLACKS:

Dress slacks only. No jeans, cargo pants, casual pants, etc.

Inappropriate Samples:



SHIRT/JACKET:

Dress shirt with a tie and collar.
Dress coats are optional.

