

**Important Stuff
You Need to
Keep in Mind
When Planning**

**AHS All-School Dance/Junior Prom
November 2019**

#1: Outside Guests

- Perfectly fine to come without an outside guest
 - it's not about the "date"
 - lots of girls come with groups of friends
- All AHS students invited to attend dance– may bring one outside guest if you would like to do so
 - Outside guest is your choice
 - No pre-approval needed
 - Just make sure guest understands and agrees to follow our rules

#2: Timing and Transportation

- 8 p.m. – 12 midnight
 - Must arrive by 9 p.m.
 - Must stay at least until 11 p.m.
 - Need to leave at 12 midnight
- Any outside guest must arrive with you, walk in with you, and leave with you

#3:
Your Guide to
What to Wear &
What Not to Wear

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Dress Code for Dances

To show respect for the event and those who plan and host it, students and their guests need to dress appropriately.

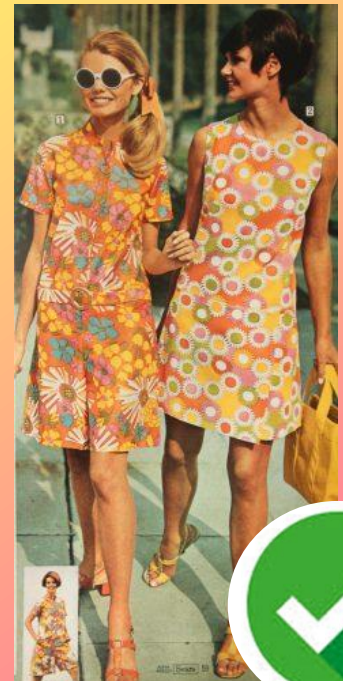
For a semi-formal event like the November all-school dance,

- girls are required to wear a dress, skirt and blouse, or **pantsuit***
- boys are required to wear slacks, a dress shirt (which must be worn and buttoned the entire night), and a tie.

* doesn't have to be a Hillary Clinton-style pantsuit; could be dressy pants outfit, a tuxedo, etc.

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Creative attire is acceptable but needs to be respectful of the event; costumes are not acceptable attire for a semi-formal or formal dance.



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Dresses for dances need to be appropriate for a Catholic high school dance.

Students who are not dressed appropriately for a school dance will be sent home or required to change by the administrator on duty at the dance, whose judgment as to what is appropriate will be final.

No jackets, sweaters, or other garments may be used to cover a dress that is inappropriate.

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Dresses for dances need to be **APPROPRIATE** for a **Catholic high school** dance.

- ✓ modest: not sexy; pretty much covers you from shoulder to mid-thigh
- ✓ think beautiful, glamorous, elegant– not sexy
- ✓ not what a celebrity wears on the red carpet, to a fashion gala, performing on stage
- ✓ age-appropriate: don't need to look like you're 20 years old or older

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These interpretations are often at odds with fashion and cultural trends.

What follows specifies a number of current fashion trends could cause problems in terms of being acceptable/appropriate for a Catholic high school dance. Examples are not exhaustive, but should give you a pretty good idea of what would be okay and what won't fly.

Dress Code for Dances

No more than minimal bare midriff areas or bodices that look like bras or bikini tops



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No plunging necklines and no more than **VERY** minimal side cut-outs

- ✔ center cut of the dress does not extend beyond a normal bra cut (note: a push-up bra does not have a normal bra cut)
- ✔ should be able to wear a normal bra without it showing



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No backless dresses or plunging waistlines:
dress back may not fall below the waist



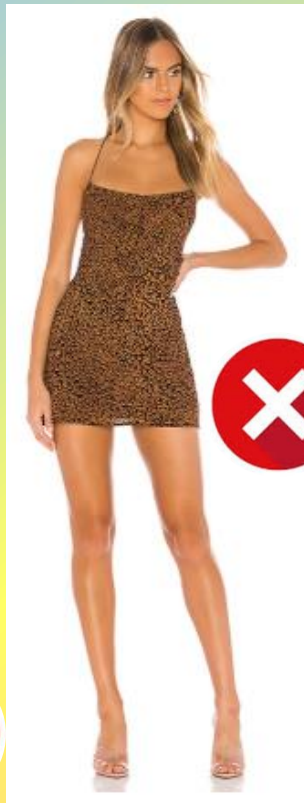
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Dress length must be to mid-thigh or below in the front and back and any slits in the dress may be no higher than mid-thigh



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No Bodycon dresses are allowed: a one-piece figure-hugging garment that clings tightly to the body from the bust to the lower hem



FINAL WORD

You can easily avoid being upset the night of the dance by following these guidelines when choosing your dress for the dance.

Start shopping early because you may have to do some shopping around to find the perfect dress to wear to the AHS All-School Dance/Junior Prom—it CAN be done, though...and YOU CAN DO IT!