



Columbus Catholic High School



Dance Guidelines

At Columbus Catholic High School we strive to instill character in our students through virtues. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church: *“Modesty is decency. It inspires one’s choice of clothing. It keeps silence or reserve where there is an evident risk of unhealthy curiosity. It is discreet.”* (CCC 2522) For this reason we have created the following guidelines to ensure that all students are safe and respected at school dances to allow for an enjoyable, positive, and memorable experience for everyone. A final decision on the appropriateness of attire is at the discretion of the dance faculty supervisor.

Ladies

- Skirts must be longer than 6” above the true knee (This can be measured while kneeling)
 - o If your dress has a slit the slit must end at 6” above the true knee
- Tops cannot be low cut, revealing or have a deep scoop neckline
- No skin should be visible in the midriff area. This includes sheer and see-through fabrics.
- Cutouts below the waist line are not allowed
- Cutouts should not be larger than the size of your hand
- Jeans, T-shirts, and shorts are not allowed
- Clothing should be clean and presentable – no rips or tears

Gentlemen

- A shirt and tie are required
- Clean, presentable shoes in good condition are required (dress shoes preferred)
- No skin should be visible from navel to knee
- Jeans, T-shirts, and shorts are not allowed
- Clothing should be clean and presentable – no rips or tears

Dance Etiquette

- Be positive and respectful of all those present
- No foul language
- No inappropriate dancing or gestures
- Listen to and obey dance supervisors and advisors
- Smoking, vaping, and alcohol are strictly prohibited

Mass Etiquette

- Please be engaged during Mass by participating in singing and verbal responses while being attentive and respectful
- No holding hands or other showing of affection to your date during Mass
- Gum, food, and beverage is not allowed
- If your dress has less than 2” straps you must cover your shoulders at Mass with a shrug, scarf, or other covering

Anyone who attends Coronation must follow the modesty standards of Columbus’ daily dress code.