

Maranatha Christian High School

Men's Formal Attire Dance Guidelines

The school expects that parents will take responsibility for the attire worn by their child to all school events. The approval process, therefore, begins in the home. Traditional interpretations of modesty are often at odds with fashion and cultural trends. Romans 12:2 informs us, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Clothing should reflect the formality of the occasion, more like what you might wear to a wedding ceremony than to a nightclub. With that in mind, a group of students and parents, along with the school administration, have worked together (2023) to identify the following guidelines.

MCS Male Students and Approved Male Visitors

- Suits and Tuxedos preferred
- Pants must be clean and without stain or holes
- Pants must be worn at the waist and undergarments may not show at any time
- Shirts must be clean and without stain or holes
- Open chest shirts are prohibited - only the top two buttons on the shirt may be unbuttoned

Consequences for Non-Compliance

- In cases of violation, the student will be provided with the opportunity to come into compliance; if unable to comply they will be discreetly asked to leave
- Students who are not in compliance will be required to obtain administrative approval for future formals, which will include submitting photos to demonstrate compliance
- For non-compliant Seniors attending their last dance, community service projects will be identified and must be completed prior to attending any Senior/graduation activities

The Process of Approval for Males

- Parents are responsible for ensuring their child's attire conforms to our standards
- Parents must complete the following checklist and submit their signed acknowledgement form of compliance via a parent email address
- If you are unsure if your attire is appropriate, please confer with the Student Life Coordinator, or other designated school official to answer any questions

MEN'S APPROVAL CHECKLIST

This form must be submitted one week prior to the event.
Submit signed form from parent email to formalattire@gomcs1.com.

- Suit or tuxedo is preferred for formal events (e.g. Homecoming, Prom)
- Pants: dockers or slacks
- Shirts: Long or short sleeve button shirts with a collar - no more than the top two buttons may be unfastened during the event
- Shoes: dress or business casual
- Jackets, ties, and belts are encouraged, if not wearing a suit or tuxedo
- Attire Not permitted: jeans or shorts, open toed shoes, flip flops, sandals (or similar designs with no support at the heel), athletic shoes, t-shirts, or flannels - these detract from the intended formality of the event

Student Acknowledgement of Compliance

Date

Parent Acknowledgement of Compliance

Date