

## **CFS Formal Policy - Dress Code, Guests, & Music**

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### **PURPOSE**

To provide CFS senior high students an opportunity for fun and fellowship at a formal dance while upholding standards of godliness and moral behavior in their dress, conduct, dance, and music which are glorifying to God.

### **SCRIPTURAL BASIS**

“Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly...”  
1 Timothy 2:9a

“So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.”  
Romans 14:19

“Therefore let us not judge one another any more, but rather determine this – not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother’s way.” Romans 14:13

### **DRESS CODE**

Members should use wisdom in selecting modestly styled gowns and show sensitivity and deference to brothers and sisters in Christ. If students are not dressed according to CFS policy, they will be asked by CFS sponsors to make adjustments or leave the event.

#### **Young Men:**

- Dress slacks (no jeans)
- Long sleeved dress shirt with collar (shirt tucked in)
- Tie or bow tie (suggested)
- Jacket/tuxedo(optional)
- Hair neatly groomed/trimmed

### **Young Ladies:**

- Dress/skirt length to be “tea length” (mid-calf or lower) or floor length.  
No cocktail (short) dresses will be allowed.
- No visible cleavage, no plunging necklines.
- Blouses will have sleeves or two visible shoulder straps.
- Dress back no lower than bottom of shoulder blades.
- All dress/skirt slits no higher than mid knee.
- No body hugging or tight fitting formals (i.e.: the “mermaid” look)
- • No two-piece gowns that show midriff (including those covered in lace or sheer fabric)
- • No cutouts (including lace-covered or sheer-fabric covered cutouts) anywhere lower than the bustline in front and the bottom of the shoulder blades in back.
  
- Acceptable:     Most strapless gowns (offer more coverage, come up higher)  
                          One shoulder strap gown  
                          Two shoulder strap gowns

### **CFS Guest Policy**

1. CFS Juniors and Seniors may invite one non-CFS student as a guest. In order for the guest to attend, the attached Non-CFS Student Guest Application must be filled out completely by the guest and his/her parents. Both applications must be sent at least 2 weeks prior to the event to:

**Cornerstone Family Schools  
Attention: CFS Formal  
PO Box 4968  
Topeka KS 66604**

2. All CFS Formal attendees must give a current email address for themselves and their non-CFS guests when signing up so that the Formal Committee parents may communicate with all students to help avoid confusion or misunderstanding.
3. Guests who are not on the Pre-Approved Guest List will not be admitted into the dance.
4. CFS students and Guests will abide by the rules and regulations set forth on the:  
**CFS Student Participation Agreement (Attachment A)**  
and  
**Non-CFS Student Guest Application (Attachment B)**
5. Failure to follow the regulations and policy of CFS could result in being removed from or denied entrance into the dance. The CFS student who issued the invitation may also face disciplinary action.

## **MUSIC**

Students will create and submit a “play list” of music for the approval of the Formal Committee parents. Only music from the approved play list may be played, and chaperones may have the DJ stop playing any music they judge inappropriate. Prior to Formal, any music in question should be brought to the attention of the CFS Board Events Ambassador by the Formal Committee Chairperson.

## **DANCE**

See CFS Dance Policy E-003

## **VERSION HISTORY**

Version	Description	Date
1.0	Original policy	July 2010
2.0	Revised dress code, guest policy and added music	March 12, 2013
2.1	Revised dress code & guest policy	November 12, 2013
2.2	Revised dress code & guest policy B. Ciummo	February 10, 2014
3.0	Revised dress code for young ladies	February 28, 2017

## **Cornerstone Family Schools Spring Formal CFS Student Participant Agreement**

**The CFS student and guest listed on the Guest Application Form, agree to abide by all rules and regulations of CFS Formal Policy.**

1. Students will meet all the requirements of modesty as outlined in the CFS Formal Policy.
2. The CFS student and his/her parent(s) are responsible for advising the guest as to proper dress. Any student, whose attire does not adhere to the CFS Formal Policy, will not be allowed to enter the dance until adjustments are made.
3. All students, upon entering the dance, will remain in the designated dance area or its immediate vicinity until they leave. Students may not wander through the facility or loiter in the parking lot unsupervised. Students leaving the facility will not be allowed back into the facility.
4. Students will respond respectfully when addressed (or corrected) by a supervising adult at the dance. After giving a respectful response, if the student disagrees with a correction given, they may address the issue with the CFS Formal Committee Chairperson.
5. Any student violating the CFS Conduct Policy (G-005) will be immediately dismissed from the dance and his/her parents will be notified.
6. Alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs are prohibited.

**NOTE: The CFS sponsors reserve the right to make the final decision as to whether any CFS student and/or guest has permission to attend the dance.**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any member of the CFS Board.**

**I have read and agree to abide by above standards:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Names

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

**Please submit this completed form to: Cornerstone Family Schools**

**Attention: CFS Formal  
PO Box 4968  
Topeka KS 66604**

Attachment A

**Cornerstone Family Schools Spring Formal  
Non-CFS Student Guest Application**

CFS Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature(s) Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Phone

Please submit this **completed form** to: **Cornerstone Family Schools  
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