

Appropriate Attire

for Virginia FCCLA Conference Banquet and Gala



Banquet Attire for Participants

In the past few years, we have had an increasing problem with students not following the Virginia FCCLA Dress Code for banquet/gala attire. Many female students have worn strapless dresses, extremely low cut dresses, or dresses that are too short.

Please review the Dress Code prior to the purchase or selection of banquet attire.

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For your convenience, here is the wording on the Dress Code as it refers to formal wear:

MEN: Dress shirt, necktie, dress slacks, with dress shoes and socks; blazer or suit is also appropriate; tuxedo is optional

WOMEN: Dressy dress (long or short) or pantsuit, dress shoes – no cleavage, bare midriffs, or bare backs extending below the waist

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Inappropriate Attire – Not to Be Worn at Any Time:

The following should not be worn to any FCCLA activity, including in the hotel hallways and lobby:

- Clothing and accessories which are sexually suggestive, which advertise drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products, or display profanity
- See-through, tight fitting, spaghetti straps, strapless, or low-cut blouses/tops/dresses/skirts
- Skirt or dress length may be no shorter than three inches above the knee
- No leggings unless worn under appropriate length skirts or dresses.
- Pants or skirts which are worn below the hip bone; no undergarments may be showing
- Spandex, stirrup pants, leotards, short shorts, cutoffs, pajamas
- Clothing which is stained, torn, or ripped
- Flip-flops, except with casual or pool attire
- Bare feet

Banquet Attire for Female Participants

The following slides contain examples of long and short length dresses which would be appropriate for the FCCLA banquet and gala. There are many other dresses that meet the guidelines of our Dress Code. These are meant to serve only as examples and students are not limited to the styles shown here.

Longer-Length Dress Examples



This one-shoulder dress has a strap wide enough and sturdy enough to be appropriate.



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Shorter-Length Dress Examples



This white dress does NOT meet our guidelines. There are no straps.

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“NOT OK” for FCCLA Banquet and Gala



Strapless dresses and those shorter than 3 inches above the knee DO NOT meet the FCCLA Dress Code.

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This one-shoulder dress has a strap wide enough and sturdy enough to be appropriate.



Red is always a great choice for FCCLA!