## **NEED HELP WITH THE DRESS?**

This is what you will find printed in our Dance Protocol:

**Ladies**: Formal or semi-formal

Dress that falls at the knees or longer

Neck line must not be low cut or revealing – modesty panel may not be a sheer fabric

Straps are best, but not required

Slits may not be above the knee

No open backs or cut-outs below mid-back area

Ladies, we *strongly* recommend that you contact Susan Dell at <u>dellfamily7@gmail.com</u> or 678-229-7647 with a picture of your dress *before* coming to the dance for pre-approval.

Any Coram Deo student or guest that does not comply with the dress code as indicated above, will not be admitted. We don't want to send anyone away, and we thank you for respecting that we will not compromise our guidelines.

## START SHOPPING NOW!

We know it's difficult to find a modest dress that meets CD requirements AND makes you feel lovely. But, it's NOT impossible. You CAN find the perfect dress!! Here are a few suggestions...

Search "formal dress below the knee" OR "prom dress below the knee" – you can use this to find online dress shops with a wide variety of options.

Here are a few I like to check out...

https://www.jjshouse.com/

You can filter the dress length and pick from LOT of designs and colors!

https://www.modcloth.com/

Here you can find so many styles of dresses!

Not all the dress on these sites meet our dress code, but you might find the perfect dress with some basic searching. If you find an online shop with "modest" dress options, please share with me too!

## WHAT IS "AT THE KNEE OR BELOW"?

Here are a few dresses...









The black & purple dresses are clearly at the knee and meet the guidelines.

The blue dress is at the top of the knee. In the picture, it does meet the guidelines, but it is VERY close and may or may not pass at the door. I would be cautious about this dress and try to find something a little longer.

The pink dress is above the knee and does NOT meet the CD guidelines. If the entire knee cap is visible the dress is considered above the knee.

In the past, a few ladies have found their perfect dress to be just above the knee. Because of our dress guidelines, they chose to wear black leggings that covered their knees and they still looked lovely! With the dimmed lights of the dance, the leggings were NOT apparent. You can ask Mrs. Kinney... one year she was a chaperone for the dance and she chose to put on black leggings because her dress was above her knees! We love to tell that story!

We do not have the "at the knee" guideline because we believe knees are immodest! Our school uniform is also "top of the knee or below" AND we are hoping to have a more formal, traditional prom style dance atmosphere for our Coram Deo students.

## A PICTURE IS WORTH YOUR TIME

We strongly urge that you send a picture of your dress (front and back) for pre-approval if you have ANY questions or doubts about meeting these guidelines. There will be three volunteers at the check-in table of the dance, a board member, a teacher, and a parent. They will make the final decision about EACH student meeting the dress guidelines. This will also apply to the gentlemen. They are expected to meet the dress requirements too.

Again, please do not hesitate to contact me for help!

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