

# ORCHESTRA, SYMPHONIC BAND & CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCE ATTIRE

## Concert Dress for the Gentlemen:

1. Tuxedo (preferred), or black (or very dark) jacket and slacks, solid (no pinstripes)
2. Black belt, cummerbund, vest or suspenders
3. White long sleeved shirt (preferably tuxedo shirt) that buttons properly at the neck,
4. Black Bow Tie,
5. Black dress shoes, and black socks.

**PERSONAL TEST:** *Does the jacket have an arm length just slightly past your wrists? Does the jacket feel comfortable when seated with your instrument held up (as if you were playing)? Can you feel and see your white sleeves at the end of your jacket? Is your collar able to be buttoned at the very top before putting on your bow tie? Are your slacks worn above your hips and not sagging at all? If any answer is "No", you must modify what you are wearing so that all answers are "Yes."*

## Concert Dress for the Ladies:

1. Black dress with either short or long sleeves, OR
2. Solid black pants suit, OR
3. Separate black skirt AND black blouse with either short or long sleeves,
4. Dress or skirt should completely cover the knees when seated (sleeveless dresses are NOT allowed),
5. Dark hosiery, black shoes (if open-toed shoes, must have back strap)
6. Make-up should light.

**NOTE:** If you are wearing a blouse, it MUST be completely buttoned.

**PERSONAL TEST:** *Can you sit in your seat with your instrument without needing to squirm to "adjust" yourself so that your dress or skirt doesn't go above your knees? Can you sit and not have to adjust your dress or blouse constantly? Can you play your instrument correctly? If any answer is "No", you must modify what you are wearing so that all answers are "Yes".*

## DRESS NOT ACCEPTABLE:

### Men:

- White socks
- Any shirt that is not white
- Short sleeve white shirts
- Black athletic shoes or non-black shoes
- Pants not worn properly at the waist – no 'sagging'. Nobody wants to see your underwear, especially at a concert.

### Tux Ego Information:

Tuxego on Hesperia Road is offering a discount for tuxedo rentals - \$35 for everything you need. Call them at 948-9555 or stop by and get fitted for your tux as soon as possible. Tell them you are with Sultana Band and ask for Julie!

### Women:

- No clothing that exposes cleavage, the midriff, or undergarments
- Inappropriately short dresses/short skirts or blouses that do not cover the knees/midriff when seated
- Inappropriately tight skirts that are "body hugging and form fitting"
- Sleeveless or spaghetti strap dresses or blouses
- Black slacks that are "body hugging and form fitting"
- Black knee length pants (capris or sweatpants)
- Black long or short athletic tights
- Black jeans
- Blouses that are sleeveless
- Black athletic shoes
- Non-black shoes, or flip-flops

**THE TRUE TEST:** *If you have a question whether or not your attire is acceptable or conforms to the information on this handout, ask Mr. C. Do not wait until the last minute before asking about appropriateness or in purchasing your attire. That is the formula for disappointment. Failure for either male or female to wear appropriate concert attire could result in lowering of the performance grade or the student not being allowed to perform.*

Thank you for your cooperation with this dress code policy. Please feel free to call me at 947-6777 ext. 4278 or email me at [joe.costantino@hesperiausd.org](mailto:joe.costantino@hesperiausd.org) if there are any questions.

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