

## ***Concert Attire for DGS Bands 2017-18***

### **Be Conservative – Be Formal – Be PROFESSIONAL!**

It is important that our visual presentation at concerts be both professional and uniform. To that end, there are specific guidelines as to the proper concert attire. The dress code in the DGS Bands mirrors professional practice in our field; it is not intended to be restrictive or gender specific in any manner.

Please know that **purchasing concert attire is the responsibility of the individual student and family.** Please contact your band director if you have difficulty finding the proper attire.

Musicians in all four concert bands (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, and Wind Ensemble) make attire choices from one of the three options, providing a uniformed and professional look for all our students at any performance whether it takes place at DGS or any outside venue.

There are many ways one can attain concert attire that meets the expectations. Many local retailers carry these items; there are also online suppliers that should be considered. (If you order online, make sure to leave time for delivery.)

#### **Option 1: Black Tuxedo**

- Black dress/tuxedo coat (no tails)
- Black dress/tuxedo pants
- White dress/tuxedo shirt
- Black bow tie
- Black dress socks (no designs)
- Black dress shoes (tuxedo shoes recommended)
- Discrete/minimal jewelry

#### **Option 2: Long Black Dress/Skirt**

- Long black dress or black blouse and skirt (must fall below the knees while sitting)
- Black nylons (ankles must be covered)
- Black formal dress shoes (closed toe, short/no heels are preferred)
- Discrete/minimal jewelry

#### **Option 3: Black Suit**

- Black, long-sleeved button-down shirt OR long-sleeved formal blouse/top (no designs or logos)
- Black dress coat
- Long black pants in a formal style
- Black dress socks (ankles must be covered)
- Black dress shoes (closed toe, short/no heels are preferred)
- Discrete/minimal jewelry

### **Examples of Inappropriate Concert Attire:**

Body hugging clothing (i.e. spandex, stirrup pants, leggings, yoga pants), capris, black jeans, black chinos, short black skirts with leggings, black t-shirts, short sleeved shirts, sleeveless shirts, gym shoes, sandals, flip-flops, boots, low necklines, logos, pinstripes, scarves, and excessive jewelry.

*If you have any questions regarding whether or not an outfit is appropriate for concert attire, please consult your band director prior to making the purchase or wearing the outfit to a concert.*

**Any students arriving at school for a performance without proper concert attire will be sent home to change.** Parents/guardians are asked to work directly with their students to ensure that they have the needed attire well in advance of the first concert and to ensure that students adhere to these expectations.