

8th Grade Fantastics Dinner Dance

Save the Date: April 10, 2026

Semi-formal Attire Expectations

The 8th Grade Fantastics Dinner Dance is a fun event that helps our students celebrate their Junior High experience, and we want to make sure that students feel comfortable dressing up appropriately for the occasion. As a semi-formal event, this list of expectations should help guide your decision-making about your outfit to support the modesty and decorum of the evening.

- **Pants and Shirt Guidelines:**
 - Wear dress pants with a belt; no jeans.
 - Wear shoes appropriate to the occasion: dress shoes, not athletic shoes.
 - Wear a collared, button-up shirt with suggested necktie or bowtie.
 - Shirts should be tucked in.
 - Sports coats/suits are optional.
- A sweater or sweater vest adds a classy layer on top of a collared shirt and tie.
- **Dress Guidelines:**
 - Skirts and dresses should be two inches above the knee or longer.
 - Slits on skirts and dresses should not extend higher than 2" above the knee.
 - Dresses and skirts should not be form fitting or skin tight.
 - Dresses and tops should not be low cut in the front or back.
 - Dresses must have straps. No strapless dresses or spaghetti straps. Straps must be at least 1 inch wide.
 - Sheer, lace, mesh and other see-through materials should be worn with opaque materials underneath to meet these guidelines. Treat outfits with such materials as if the sheer materials were not there when selecting your outfit.
 - Should not have cutouts.
 - Should not expose the midriff.
- **General Modesty Guidelines:**
 - No halter tops (a halter top does not have shoulder straps and wraps only around the neck).
 - Undergarments should not be visible, including bra straps.
 - Outfits should not expose the midriff even with arms raised.
 - Modesty is the key word. Your outfit should be appropriate for the occasion.
- A shrug, light scarf, or shawl can be worn with the outfit, but it does not eliminate the need for the outfit to meet these guidelines.

These expectations have been developed and modified through the years so that they remain in accordance with the original intent of the event.

To support students and to help them feel more comfortable at the event, students are encouraged to arrange to have their outfits previewed by Mrs. List or Ms. Walker ahead of time. They would be happy to give suggestions on how to make adjustments if an outfit does not meet these expectations.