

Bowling Green School

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Dear Bowling Green Membership,

I want to thank you parents whose children attended our Homecoming Dance and followed the handbook dress code rules as stated on page 50. We want to preface this letter by saying we have no desire to dismiss a student from a Bowling Green School function and no desire to embarrass any child publicly. Nevertheless, moving forward we must raise our standards.

There were students who were inappropriately dressed Saturday night and should not have been permitted to attend a Bowling Green event in such attire. In order to protect the integrity of our school and our students, we ask that you read page 50 of our handbook.

Addendum 1: Girls' dresses should be no more than FIVE inches above the top of the knee cap. The dress cannot ride up while walking or dancing. Keep in mind, because of differing body types, the same dress may be acceptable on one person, but not on another.

Addendum 2: Punishment for not following the rules will result in he/she not being allowed to attend any BG dance for the remainder of the school year and the student will be fined \$100.00. (**If a BG student brings a date from another school, the BG student will be responsible for the fee if their date isn't within BG dress code standards.) Please pass on page 50 of our handbook to any student attending our school dances that isn't enrolled in Bowling Green School. They must follow our dress code.

Moving forward, EVERY female attending a Bowling Green School dance, MUST send their dress POST alterations to Valarie Comeaux, Lori Schilling or Kim Burris for approval. If the dress does not meet Bowling Green School standards, she will be discreetly dismissed at the door.

In the weeks leading up to Personality Ball (and Prom), we will send multiple reminders of what is expected from our students so there will be no question in what will be permitted. All final decisions will be made by Head of School, Phill Junkins.

Bowling Green School desires to hold itself to a higher standard than what was displayed Saturday night at our Homecoming dance. Saturday night we failed. We cannot and will not continue to turn a blind eye to dance attire that is/was visibly inappropriate and immodest.

The administration and faculty of Bowling Green School will make all final judgment on the appropriateness in making the subjective determination of modesty. Students are advised to err on the side of modesty and formality. Please do not put school administrators in the difficult position of upholding school standards or let yourself or your date be embarrassed for questionable attire. Please feel free to reach out to me by email at kimbarris@bgsbucs.org with any comments or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Kim Burris

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