

Concert Attire Care and Maintenance

2015-16

Students are required to wear the school concert attire for all performances. To protect this investment for future students, it is important that students and parents understand their responsibilities in caring for these items.

Please **NEVER** leave these items at school! In past, some items which were left at school were never found, and had to be replaced at the expense of the student.

Issued to all Ladies

- black floor-length gown (Washable) Hem to 2" from the floor, hitting the toe of the shoe. The hem should be no more than 3".

Ladies must provide for themselves

black hosiery, black dress shoes (no more than 2 inches high, with soft soles, which are quieter on stage)

Issued to Gentlemen in Concert Band, Symphony Band, Philharmonia Strings

- black tuxedo jacket (Must be dry cleaned)
- white tuxedo shirt
- black tuxedo pants (Must be dry cleaned) Pants should be hemmed approximately ½" to 1" from the floor.
- black bow tie (Must be dry cleaned)

Issued to Gentlemen in Wind Ensemble, Symphony Strings

- black tuxedo tails (Must be dry cleaned)
- white tuxedo shirt (May be washed)
- black tuxedo pants (Must be dry cleaned) Pants should be hemmed approximately ½" to 1" from the floor.
- white vest (Must be dry cleaned)
- white bow tie (Must be dry cleaned)

Gentlemen must provide for themselves

black socks, black dress shoes (with soft soles, which are quieter on stage), plain white T-shirt (wear under tuxedo shirt)

Alterations

Hemming is the only necessary alteration and is the responsibility of the student.

DO NOT cut the fabric when hemming! This permanently alters the clothing.

DO NOT use hemming tape or fabric glue! These are permanent and can damage the material.

DO NOT use staples or safety pins! These may tear fabrics.

Maintenance

- Hang your clothing up properly as soon as a performance is finished, to avoid needing to press it later.
- Do not put clothing into garment bag until it has had time to dry from perspiration.
- Dresses and white tuxedo shirts may be washed

Students are responsible for concert attire. If lost or damaged, the student will be charged the replacement fees, at the discretion of the Director. Students must return all items, cleaned and pressed, to the coordinator after their final concert at Walled Lake Central. (A one-time \$50 deposit has been incorporated into your school fees, which covers both the Marching Band and the Concert Season through senior year. If all items are returned, that fee will be returned to you.) Seniors must return all school property before commencement.

Discounts are available at Lakes Cleaners in Walled Lake when you mention you are from the WLC Bands and Orchestras. Contact the coordinator for information.