

## T.E.A.C.H. Prom Guidelines

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Participants must be 15 years of age at the time of the prom and no older than 19 years old - proof of age and prom ticket are required to be admitted into the prom. Proof of age includes a non expired picture ID or "Proof of Age" form. [https://02f0a56ef46d93f03c90-22ac5f107621879d5667e0d7ed595bdb.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/sites/39832/uploads/55580/Prom\\_Age\\_verification\\_form\\_20220115-9190-10bqn8320220504-6687-qq8vs4.pdf](https://02f0a56ef46d93f03c90-22ac5f107621879d5667e0d7ed595bdb.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/sites/39832/uploads/55580/Prom_Age_verification_form_20220115-9190-10bqn8320220504-6687-qq8vs4.pdf)
2. Participants are limited to homeschooled students and their guests, one guest per student. The Prom Committee will consider admitting additional guests on a case-by-case basis, contingent upon their agreement to abide by the Prom dress code and conduct themselves appropriately during the Prom (go to [www.teachhomeschool.com](http://www.teachhomeschool.com) for information about T.E.A.C.H guidelines). Additional guests will only be considered for admittance if enough space is available after all home-schooled students have bought tickets.
3. Tickets are transferable but not refundable. Information for new attendees will need to be sent to the Prom committee by April 18. New attendees must agree to adhere to the TEACH guidelines and dress code listed.
4. T.E.A.C.H. Board members and Prom committee adults will attend as chaperones. Other adults who wish to take pictures or see the content must wear appropriate attire and will have a limit of 15 minutes for pictures.
5. Students who have outstanding debts to T.E.A.C.H. or Beach Breakers are not eligible to participate until those debts are paid.
6. Parking Permits will be given as needed upon arriving at the Prom.
7. Once attendees enter designated prom areas, they are to remain there for the duration of the event. If for any reason they leave the prom area, they will not be readmitted back into the prom and will need to leave for the evening.
8. Keeping in mind the TEACH Statement of Faith, no drugs, alcohol, smoking or vaping will be permitted at a TEACH event. In the event that this occurs, attendee(s) will be immediately dismissed from this event.

## DRESS GUIDELINES FOR PROM

Ladies:

1. Dresses must conform to the Prom guidelines outlined here. If dresses do not conform, attendees may not be permitted entrance into prom or asked to leave. There will be an option to wear a Beach Breakers t-shirt for the duration of the Prom. It is the responsibility of the prom attendee, guest, and parents/guardians to ensure attire meets the dress guidelines listed here. There will be mandatory dress checks that will be organized by the Prom committee. Any attendee arriving in a different dress than the one approved will not be permitted to enter. Multiple dates are given as an option for the convenience of the attendees. Ladies must go to a dress check to make sure their dress conforms to the guidelines so that they will be admitted into the prom. If an attendee lives 1 hour or more away from the dress check locations, arrangements can be made with the prom committee in order to get dress approval. If an attendee fails to attend a dress check or get dress approval, it is up to them to find a convenient time with the prom committee to get dress approved. Approvals must be in person. No text or email approval will be given.

2. Dress Check Dates and Times

**Daytime: New Life Church 1244 Thompkins Ln, Virginia Beach, VA 23464.**

**February 11th 11:00-1:00**

**March 11th 11:00-1:00**

**April 8th 11:00-1:00**

**Evening: Greenbrier Community Church, 825 Greenbrier Parkway, Chesapeake, VA 23320**

**February 25 6:00p-8:30p**

**March 25th 6:00p-8:30p**

**April 8th 6:00p-8:30p**

3. Dresses should be "evening gown" style and tea length (just below knee) or longer. No pant suits permitted.
4. On the topic of "cleavage". No plunging necklines or deep princess necklines on dresses. Ladies should make sure that the bodice of the dress is large enough to maintain modesty when dancing or leaning over. Participants must understand that one dress may be appropriate for one body type, but not for all, and the final determination for dress approval will be made by the Prom Coordinators. If upon arriving to the event there is too much cleavage showing, participants will be asked to wear a Beach Breakers t-shirt. When considering modesty, make sure the side view is as modest as the front and back (Modesty is defined as: "the quality or state of decency, decorum, lack of excesses, dressing in a way that is considered to be unassuming, reasonable, decent, lacking pretentiousness").
5. The back of the dress must not be lower than mid back. Final determination for dress approval will be made by the Prom Coordinators.

6. No strapless dresses. All dresses should have strong, secure, sewn-in straps (single or double straps), to prevent a “wardrobe malfunction”.
7. No exposed midriffs and/or cropped top style dresses. No midriff cut-outs (bare, lace or sheer material) are allowed.
8. Slits – Slits are not to be higher than the knee. This includes skirts or dresses and are not to be seen through above the knee.
9. Any alterations that need to be done to the dress in order to meet prom dress code must be completed by the time of dress check. Any changes to the dress after dress check will need to be reapproved.

**\*\*\*\*NEW THIS YEAR: Attendees can bring their Proof of Age to Dress checks in order to save time that evening at the prom\*\*\*\***

**Prom Coordinators require any female attendee to come to one of the six scheduled dress checks at the dates listed. If your dress fails to meet and/or maintain these guidelines during the prom, you will be required to purchase a Beach Breakers t-shirt (\$10) to be worn over your dress or risk not being permitted to continue at the event.**

The TEACH website shows pictures of appropriate dresses. Click on PROM to see those pictures.

**If there are any questions, contact Mrs. Denise Dalton (757-403-1162), Mrs. Liz Forehand (757-469-0529). The Prom Coordinators will get back with you as soon as possible. For email inquiries, please send to: [prom@teachhomeschool.com](mailto:prom@teachhomeschool.com).**

Gentlemen:

1. Young men will wear a tuxedo or a suit and tie.
2. Collared shirt to be worn under jackets. No undershirts or tank tops alone under suit jackets.
3. No Jeans permitted.
4. Hair should be neat and well-groomed.
5. No open-toed shoes are to be worn at the Prom. (i.e. flip flops, sandals or crocs).

**\*\*\* If the Prom attendee and/or parent refuses to comply, the Prom attendee will be asked to leave without a refund. We want all our Prom attendees to enjoy this event, so please follow and adhere to the guidelines listed.**