

BCW Band Camp Dress Code

Please note: This dress code was developed by **students** in July, 2005. Please pardon the less-than delicate language as there is no polite way to discuss some of these items.

- For boys and girls, for *general* wear (including rehearsal), shirts should be at least a tank top (no tube tops or spaghetti straps) and bras shouldn't be seen unless they are a sports bra. "Wife beaters" are considered tank tops. Girls should *always* wear a bra. It's okay if girls wear a spaghetti strap top as long as they have a sports bra underneath it, and as long as they are fully covered. (Mr. H would *prefer* you wear a T-shirt).
- Shorts need to be of "reasonable" length. Student's best judgment is encouraged. If you think it might be questionable, it's probably not appropriate.
- Dancing: no bumping or grinding. Slow dancing: pretend like you're dancing in front of *my* grandmother and be gentlemen and ladies. **IMPORTANT: **this* is the warning. If poor behavior occurs at the dance, it will be cancelled on the *first* occurrence with no warning given.***
- PDA: none is preferred, a small smooch will likely be overlooked if discreet, but anything more is right out...
- For the dance, the dress rules will be relaxed *slightly*, but people should still aim toward modesty. Girls wearing skirts should not dance on the floor... It was also pointed out that there is no need to dress up for the dance – it is casual.
- Please pass the word and pack accordingly.

And here is some polite advice from everyone's favorite color-guard instructor, Becky:

- First and foremost I cannot stand when girls wear shorts and skirts that are so short they have to keep hiking them up and down all of the time.
- If you can't sit in a skirt or pair of shorts with out your butt hanging out then they are inappropriate.
- If you cannot bend over in your shorts to pick up your instrument with out holding your hands against the back of your upper thighs so your underwear don't hang out the bottom, then they are inappropriate.
- Shirts should be appropriate for athletic activities AKA... running, power walking, Working out, push ups, sit ups (this may seem off topic but a lot of marching band mimics these sort of situations)
- Please keep your chest fully put away. If you can't high march or jazz run with out holding a hand to your chest or feeling like you should so you don't fall out of your shirts, then your shirt is inappropriate.
- A sports bra is always appropriate and I have no arguments whatsoever about them. Girls please wear them.
- Body types should not be an issue either, someone of a larger size in any area of their body must be aware that if there butt or chest is hanging out cover it up, just as much as someone shaped like a bean pole, even if it is harder to accomplish for those of you that are larger in some areas sometimes.
- Guys without shirts is no more socially acceptable than girls in tube tops right now. A guy with out his shirt on can be just as distracting to a young woman as a girls bum hanging out of her shorts to young men.
- Instead of shirts and skins, have shirts and tanks.

Dancing rules...

- If you cannot tell if it is one person or two than it is inappropriate during a fast or slow dance.
- Hugs are okay but nobody likes to see their friends doing any more than that trust me. Think really deeply, any of you really enjoy dancing next to a couple attached at the waist or face. It is just distasteful, and disrespectful to those around you. ...Keep a safe distance and everyone will have fun...
- Oh yes I almost forgot, please don't ever use tan lines as an excuse for a skimpy shirt. You are not at camp to get a tan. Being overheated or hot is another reason entirely, but we are not there for a fashion show. Think what is appropriate for marching band first then worry about your homecoming tan line when you get home.